

## **Intensivist Staffing in the ICU**

Intensivists—fully trained physicians with specialized training in critical care medicine—have been shown to positively affect outcomes in patients with critical illness. In many settings, however, intensivists are in short supply. In this talk, I will review the literature on what is known about how best to employ this scarce and important resource. For example, I will review data on physician scheduling and workload to explore how best to deploy these physicians to provide optimal care to our ICU patients.