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## Introduction: Dispatches from the 10th Annual GUILD Conference 2026



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**W**elcome to the tenth annual Dispatches from the GUILD Conference series. The Gastrointestinal Updates-IBD-Liver Disease (GUILD) Conference is an annual CME conference held in Maui, Hawaii every February (GUILD 2026: February 15 -18) and a new meeting in the Caribbean, this year in Puerto Rico, in January 2026. We are delighted to offer a hybrid meeting in Maui with over 275 health care providers attending live. GUILD again provides cutting edge updates in gastroenterology by world class speakers. Our topics this year include 2 days of IBD updates, a day of hepatology and a day devoted to general gastroenterology including eosinophilic esophagitis, irritable bowel syndrome, artificial intelligence and colon cancer. We understand that trainees are our future. Ten Gastroenterology fellows were selected to attend the meeting and receive daily mentoring and networking from our star faculty. GUILD also recognizes the role played by nurse practitioners

and physician assistants in the care of IBD and liver patients and introduced a boot camp in 2019, awarding 10 scholarships to APPs to attend the Caribbean meeting.

To share our learning with the gastroenterology community at large, we are happy to continue our series beginning with the following article, **“Computer-Aided Detection in Colonoscopy: Promise, Performance, and Real-World Questions”**.

We look forward to providing informative and educational articles covering IBD, Hepatology, and general gastroenterology in Practical Gastroenterology over the following months. We hope to see you all in person for GUILD 2027 in Puerto Rico (January 17-20, 2027) and in Maui (February 14-17, 2027). ■

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