Hello AZ Chapter Members,

An interesting opportunity is ahead!! The Society to Improve Diagnosis in Medicine, is sponsoring a conference about how to reduce Diagnostic Error in Medicine.

Just keep reading for all the interesting details:

**Better Outcomes Through Better Diagnosis**

As patients, clinicians, researchers, educators, insurers, and healthcare professionals, we seek to understand the nature, causes, and remedies for diagnostic errors. Our ultimate goal is to reduce misdiagnosis-related harm and ensuring that diagnosis is timely, accurate, reliable, efficient, and safe.

The prevalence of diagnostic error, defined as wrong, missed or delayed medical diagnosis,
occurs in 10-15% of cases, leading to an estimated 40,000 – 80,000 deaths annually in the United States. Diagnostic error is responsible for billions of healthcare dollars for inappropriate care, and is the leading cause of medical malpractice claims.

The Society to Improve Diagnosis in Medicine (SIDM) is committed to:

- Encouraging research
- Promoting education, and
- Building awareness

...among all the stakeholder groups that can have impact.