ALLEGHENY GENERAL HOSPITAL PRESENTS

Frontiers in Gastroenterology

Friday and Saturday, November 14 & 15, 2014
Marriott City Center Hotel
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

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Division of Gastroenterology
Allegheny General Hospital
Allegheny Health Network
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
**Intended Audience**

This conference is intended for gastroenterologists, surgeons, internists, endoscopy RNs and technicians interested in advancing their knowledge in gastroenterology and therapeutic endoscopy.

**Conference Overview**

Gastrointestinal and hepatic disorders are extremely prevalent conditions which can lead to chronic morbidity in many affected individuals. Advances in the field of gastroenterology and advanced endoscopy continue to develop at a rapid rate. These are exciting times in gastroenterology and hepatology given the therapeutic advances we are able to offer our patients.

Having a detailed knowledge of widely prevalent gastrointestinal conditions allows practitioners to develop a comprehensive treatment strategy for their patients. This conference is designed to provide an overview of common gastrointestinal conditions and focus on clinical advances in these situations. It is also designed to showcase some of the most current advances in therapeutic endoscopy with special attention to pancreaticobiliary procedures. Using both didactic sessions and live endoscopy feeds, the latest developments in the fields of gastroenterology, hepatology and advanced endoscopy will be showcased. Opportunities for the audience to interact with the faculty will be provided and encouraged.

Physician hands-on training for select advanced endoscopic procedures is planned at the state-of-the-art Pavilion X lab — transportation will be provided. Non-physician training for endoscopic devices and equipment will take place onsite at the hotel.

**Physician Hands-on Workshop at Pavilion X**

Physicians will obtain hands-on experience using explanted porcine stomachs. Small group sizes will allow adequate hands-on opportunity with the ability to learn from and interact with regional experts.

Procedures scheduled to be demonstrated include:

- POEM
- RFA
- EMR
- Single Balloon Enteroscopy

**Non-Physician Hands-on Workshop onsite at Marriott**

This workshop was designed for endoscopy nurses, technicians and allied health personnel.

Training for endoscopic devices and equipment to include:

- lithotripsy devices
- cholangioscope set-up
- ERCP and EUS equipment
- RFA

Space is limited. Registrations will be accepted as they are received. Allegheny General Hospital reserves the right to cancel or postpone any course because of unforeseen circumstances or insufficient enrollment. In the event of such cancellation, full tuition will be refunded.
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Accreditation

**Credits:** This conference will provide a maximum of 10 hours of education

- Friday = 3.0 didactic and 3.0 hands-on workshop
- Saturday = 4.0 didactic

**AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™**

Allegheny General Hospital is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

**Conference:**

Allegheny General Hospital designates this live activity for a maximum of 7.0 *AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™*. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

**Physician Hands-on Workshop:**

Allegheny General Hospital designates this workshop for a maximum of 3.0 *AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™*. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

*Laboratory sessions will give attendees sufficient time to satisfactorily complete the course objectives. However, as a sponsor of the course, Allegheny General Hospital does not certify the competency of the individual.*

**Other Credit:**

- **SGNA Credit:** Currently seeking approval from the Society of Gastroenterology Nurses and Associates (SGNA), an accredited Approver and Provider of Continuing Education in Nursing by the American Nurses Credentialing Center’s Commission on Accreditation.

- **American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC)** accepts *AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™* from organizations accredited by the ACCME.

- **American Academy of Nurse Practitioners (AANP)** accepts *AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™* from organizations accredited by the ACCME.

- **American Academy of Physician Assistants (AAPA)** accepts certificates of participation for educational activities certified for *AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™* from organizations accredited by the ACCME. Physician assistants may receive a maximum of 10.0 hours of Category 1 credit for completing this program.

- **Non-physicians:** Allegheny General Hospital has approved this activity for a maximum of 10.0 contact hours for non-physicians.
**Frontiers in Gastroenterology**

**Friday November 14, 2014 - 6.0 hours of education**

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| 8:30 am  | Welcome  
Live cases broadcast from Allegheny Health Network and Temple University Hospitals             |
| 10:00 am | Break/visit exhibits                                                                                |
| 10:20 am | Session I Lectures:  
Eosinophilic esophagitis: Newer advances in diagnosis and therapy  
**Allison Freeman, MD**  
*Objective:* Review common presentations of eosinophilic esophagitis and the role of allergy testing |
|          | Fecal transplantation: How, when and why?  
**Marcie Mitre, MD**  
*Objective:* Recognize rationale and evidence behind fecal transplantations.                      |
|          | Develop ability to apply it in the community setting Management of Hepatitis C in the era of protease inhibitors  
**Michael Babich, MD**  
*Objective:* Familiarize the treating physician with the paradigm shift in the management of hepatitis C |
| 11:20 am | Q&A                                                                                                |
| 11:30 am | Lunch                                                                                              |
| 12:30 pm | Live cases broadcast from Allegheny Health Network and Temple University Hospitals                  |
| 2:00 pm  | Break/ visit exhibits/ Board Bus for Pavilion X Workshop                                           |
| 2:30 pm  | **Physician Hands-on Workshop at Pavilion X**                                                      |
|          | - POEM  
- RFA  
- EMR  
- Single Balloon Enteroscopy *Non-physician session* for endoscopy nurses, technicians and allied health personnel. Hands on training for endoscopic devices and equipment including  
- lithotripsy devices  
- cholangioscope set-up  
- ERCP and EUS equipment  
- RFA |
| 5:30 pm  | Adjournment                                                                                         |
| 6:00 pm  | Conference Reception                                                                               |
Saturday November 15, 2014 - 4.0 hours of education

7:30 am  Registration/ Continental Breakfast/ Visit Exhibits

7:50 am  Welcome

8:15 am  Session II Lectures:
Prevention of post ERCP pancreatitis
Shyam Thakkar, MD
Objective: Recognize the risk factors and treatment strategies for this common procedural complication with an emphasis on prevention before and during procedure

Optimizing colonic preparation for colonoscopy
Elie Aoun, MD, MS
Objective: Discuss methods for improving mucosal inspection during colonoscopy to enhance adenoma detection rates

Technological advances in practice management
Ali Lankarani, MD
Objective: Familiarize participant with technologies to improve efficiency in the medical practice

9:45 am  Session III Lectures:
Achalasia
Abhijit Kulkarni, MD
Objective: Review the pathology of this uncommon condition with an emphasis on management strategies including peroral endoscopic myotomy

Endoscopic therapy for Barretts Esophagus
Blair Jobe, MD
Objective: Recognize rationale for endoscopic therapy of this condition with premalignant potential

Review newer endoscopic ablative techniques

10:45 am  Break/Visit Exhibits

11:15 am  Session IV Lectures:
Endoscopy in the bariatric patient
Sandeep S. Sekhon, MD
Objective: Determine the role of endoscopy as a diagnostic and therapeutic tool in the perioperative bariatric setting

Management of iatrogenic perforations
Oleh Halushka, MD
Objective: Identify endoscopic complication early and provide nonoperative endoscopic management to reduce mortality

Extraintestinal manifestations of IBD
Sandra El-Hachem, MD
Objective: Familiarize participants with unusual manifestations of IBD to better manage patients in the community setting

12:15 pm  Review, evaluation and closing remarks

12:30 pm  Adjournment
Location, Directions and Accommodations
Marriott Pittsburgh City Center Hotel  
112 Washington Place  
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15219  
Telephone: (412) 471-4000

Overnight Accommodations:  
Pittsburgh Marriott City Center is offering a special group rate of 154.00 USD per night.

Method of Reservations  
Select +Special Rates & Awards  
Click radial button for Group Code and enter group code: ALHALHA

Or call Reservations at 1.877.645.3553 or 412.471.4000.

Deadline to reserve a room with this rate: 10/24/14

Refund Policy  
A refund of the registration fee, less a $75 processing fee, will be made when a written request or a telephone request followed by a written confirmation is received prior to October 31, 2012. After this date, refunds cannot be made. Fees will not be refunded for failure to attend.

Registration Information  
The registration fee includes the course materials, continental breakfast, lunch, break refreshments and reception. The entire course fee is due upon registration.

Fees:  
**Physicians:**  
- 2 days + Workshop $550  
- 2 days only $275  
- Friday only $225  
- Saturday only $120

**Non-physicians:**  
- 2 days $135  
- Friday only $ 90  
- Saturday only $ 60

Deadline: November 7, 2014  
(Registrations will be taken after the deadline date on a space-available basis.)
To Register: Online registration is preferred, but mailed or faxed registrations are accepted. Phone registrations will not be accepted.

To register online, please go to www.aghcme.org. Select conference schedule on the left, then scroll to find Frontiers in Gastroenterology.

To mail or fax your registration, please complete the registration form and return it with the registration fee or fax to:

Continuing Medical Education
Allegheny General Hospital
320 East North Avenue
Pittsburgh, PA 15212-4772
Fax (412) 359-8218

The preferred method of payment is by VISA, MasterCard, American Express or Discover; however checks will be accepted made payable to Allegheny General Hospital.

Additional Information
For additional information concerning the conference, please contact the Continuing Medical Education office by e-mail at cjackel@wpahs.org, by telephone at (412) 359-4952.

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Registration Form

Registration for **Frontiers in Gastroenterology** is required. Please complete this registration form and return it with your payment no later than **November 7, 2014**.

**PLEASE INDICATE: ______ # People attending Friday Conference Welcome Reception**

NAME

DEGREE

SPECIALTY

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