Join us in April at the 3rd Annual Digestive Diseases: New Advances

The complexity and magnitude of medical advances in the management of digestive diseases make it ever more challenging for clinicians to apply this tremendous amount of information to their practice. This knowledge-based activity will provide learners with a comprehensive overview of the state-of-the-art advances in the diagnostic, therapeutic, and preventive modalities of digestive diseases based on the latest evidence, literature, and clinical research. A thorough review of the current treatment landscape is vital to both clinicians and patients who can benefit from the expansion of therapeutic options.

We look forward to seeing you in Philadelphia from April 1-2, 2016. Don’t miss out: Register today and save $200 with our early bird discount which ends February 15, 2016.

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LEARNING OBJECTIVES

Upon completion of this activity, participants should be better able to:

- Review the most current perspectives and clinical guidelines for the use of biologic agents in inflammatory bowel disease (IBD)
- Identify various IBD risk factors, including a patient’s level of immune suppression, which influence the timing of surgery
- Review the pathophysiology, epidemiology, and clinical presentation of hepatocellular carcinoma
- Assess the need of management strategies of patients with hepatic encephalopathy
- Differentiate irritable bowel syndrome (IBS) from other common gastrointestinal disorders
- Implement diagnostic and management strategies for IBS
- Recognize the clinical presentation of ischemic colitis for early identification and treatment
- Identify barriers to colorectal cancer screening and utilize appropriate strategies to identify and address these barriers
- Analyze and evaluate the most important new developments in upper GI diseases, including Barrett’s esophagus, celiac disease and eosinophilic esophagitis
- Evaluate the efficacy and safety of current and emerging therapeutics for the treatment of hepatitis C virus (HCV)
- Describe HCV risk factors and indications for screening and improve markers of patient care
- Examine key clinical issues in liver transplantation including patient selection criteria, risks and benefits, and peri- and postoperative management
- Explain the cause, expected course of disease progression, and therapeutic options, including liver transplantation, to patients with portal pulmonary hypertension
- Recognize, prevent, and treat fatty liver disease
- Summarize the medical management of pancreatitis
- Outline the diagnosis and treatment strategies for patients with hepatitis B
- Identify the use, mechanisms of suspected effect, and results of fecal transplantation
- Describe the natural history of cirrhosis and recognize the most appropriate management for patients with cirrhosis as well as its complications
- Examine when and how to use biliary stents in both benign and malignant diseases involving the bile duct
- Compare the treatment options available for the management of gastroparesis
- Explain the clinical manifestations, treatment, and prognosis of eosinphagel cancer
- Review the management and best practices of small bowel syndrome
- Recognize the impact of peptic ulcer disease on patients and the need for aggressive management in all patients
- Explain diversity in patients with digestive disorders

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

This conference is designed for gastroenterologists, primary care physicians, advanced practice nurses, nurses, pharmacists, and physician assistants involved in the diagnosis, evaluation, management, and treatment of patients with digestive diseases.

For additional information, questions, concerns, or if you require special arrangements to attend this activity, please contact Nick Rillo at 240.221.4404 or n.rillo@globalacademycme.com.
FRIDAY, APRIL 1, 2016

11:00 AM  Eosinophilic Esophagitis: An Update  

12:15 PM  Lunch with the Professors and Visit Exhibits/Posters  

2:30 PM  IBD: Difficult-to-Treat Populations  

3:30 PM  Colorectal Screening: Are We Doing the Right Thing?  

4:00 PM  Intestinal Microbiota and Microbiota Transplant  

7:30 AM  Barrett’s Esophagus: Are We Making Any Progress?  

6:45 AM  Registration, Continental Breakfast, Visit Exhibits/Posters  

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