2019

ACG’S HEPATOLOGY SCHOOL & EASTERN REGIONAL POSTGRADUATE COURSE

JUNE 7–9, 2019 | MARRIOTT MARQUIS HOTEL, WASHINGTON, DC

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JOIN COLLEAGUES IN WASHINGTON, DC
FOR ACG’S 1-DAY HEPATOLOGY SCHOOL AND
WEEKEND EASTERN REGIONAL POSTGRADUATE COURSE.

ACG’s Hepatology School, to be held on Friday, June 7, is a day-long interactive program that provides comprehensive education for GI clinicians in the diagnosis and treatment of a variety of liver disease states. This program is designed to better enable clinical gastroenterologists and their advanced practice provider colleagues to triage, treat, and refer patients more efficiently.

Led by Course Directors Ayse Aytaman, MD, FACG, and Colleen R. Kelly, MD, FACG, the Eastern Regional Postgraduate Course, offered on Saturday and Sunday, June 8-9, will focus on topics such as functional GI disorders, IBD management in different populations, esophagus, liver, and pancreaticobiliary and advanced endoscopy. Hands-on sessions will also be offered on Saturday afternoon.

Both programs will take place at the Marriott Marquis hotel, which is a short walk or Metro ride away from dozens of attractions such as the National Mall, where you’ll find the Lincoln Memorial, Vietnam Veterans Memorial, and the Reflecting Pool, the White House, U.S. Capitol, National Geographic Museum, and the many Smithsonian Museums.

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PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

ACG’S Hepatology School
Building on the success of ACG’s prior Hepatitis Schools, the program provides comprehensive education for GI clinicians in the diagnosis and treatment of many other frequently diagnosed liver disease states. The program content is tailored to reflect the rapid changes in treatment options and national trends meeting the standard of care. After completing ACG’s Hepatology School, attendees will be able to summarize the current management options for HCV and HBV infections and understand the timeline of new drug development for their treatment. Participating in this educational activity will also enable learners to analyze the challenges of treating patients with NAFLD, cirrhosis, hepatic encephalopathy, hepatocellular carcinoma, alcoholic liver disease primary biliary cholangitis, autoimmune hepatitis, and drug-induced liver injury. The structure of the program includes a mix of didactic presentations and case-based presentations delivered by expert faculty.

This program is designed for gastroenterologists, primary care physicians, nurses, physician assistants, and nurse practitioners interested in the latest information on liver diseases and state-of-the-art treatment of these illnesses.

Eastern Regional Postgraduate Course
The field of gastroenterology continues to experience an introduction of novel diagnostic techniques and therapeutic options affecting numerous areas of GI disease management and patient care. This program explores those areas which the gastroenterologist often faces in clinical practice, and addresses management updates in a variety of gastrointestinal and hepatic areas. During this course, multiple topics will be covered including functional GI disorders, IBD management in different populations, gastroenterology during the #MeToo movement, CRC screening quality measures, the microbiome in liver disease, diagnosis and management of C. difficile infection, approach to liver lesions, gallbladder 101, and endoscopy considerations in the obese or post-bariatric patient. The structure of the program includes a mix of didactic presentations delivered by expert faculty, breakout sessions, case presentations, and significant question and answer opportunities. Non-CME hands-on sessions will also be offered.

This program is designed for gastroenterologists, gastroenterology trainees, primary care physicians, nurses, physician assistants, and nurse practitioners interested in the latest information on diagnostic GI and state-of-the-art treatment of GI illnesses.
# ACG’s Hepatology School—Agenda

## Course Directors:
David E. Bernstein, MD, FACG, Paul Y. Kwo, MD, FACG, and Mitchell L. Shiffman, MD, FACG

### Friday, June 7, 2019

- **7:00 am** Registration and Continental Breakfast
- **8:00 am** Welcome and Introductions
  - David E. Bernstein, MD, FACG

### Session 1: Chronic Liver Disease

- **8:10 am** Assessment and Treatment of Chronic HCV
  - David E. Bernstein, MD, FACG
  - Summarize the current management options for chronic HCV infection and describe post-treatment follow-up.

- **8:30 am** Assessment and Treatment of Chronic HBV
  - Kimberly A. Brown, MD, FACG
  - Summarize the current management options for chronic HBV infection and describe post-treatment follow-up.

### Session 2: Managing Cirrhosis and Its Complications

- **9:10 am** Recognition and Managing Alcoholic Liver Disease
  - Mark W. Russo, MD, MPH, FACG
  - Discuss liver diseases secondary to alcohol use and their treatments.

- **9:30 am** Q & A

### Session 3: The Impact of Systemic Disease and Medications on the Liver

- **10:05 am** Routine Care of the Patient With Cirrhosis
  - Nancy S. Reau, MD, FACG
  - Define the liver-specific care of patients with cirrhosis, including the evaluation of complications of portal hypertension.

- **10:25 am** Hepatic Encephalopathy
  - Mark W. Russo, MD, MPH, FACG
  - Outline the classification, diagnostic testing, and treatment options for hepatic encephalopathy.

- **10:45 am** Ascites, Hyponatremia, and Renal Dysfunction
  - Paul Y. Kwo, MD, FACG
  - Identify how to manage and treat ascites, hyponatremia, and renal dysfunction caused by cirrhosis.

- **11:05 am** Hepatocellular Carcinoma
  - Ayse Aytaman, MD, FACG
  - Review risk factors, screening, evaluation, and treatment options for patients with hepatocellular carcinoma.

- **11:25 am** Q & A

- **11:45 am** Break

- **12:00 pm** Lunch With the Faculty and Case Presentations / Q & A
  - Mitchell L. Shiffman, MD, FACG

### Summary

- **1:20 pm** Impact of Cardiopulmonary Disease on the Liver
  - Kimberly A. Brown, MD, FACG
  - Discuss the effects of cardiopulmonary disease on the liver and how the liver can cause pulmonary disease.
1:40 pm Assessment of Liver Masses
Mitchell L. Shiffman, MD, FACG
Identify how to properly identify and manage various liver mass lesions.

2:00 pm Impact of Pregnancy on the Liver
Nancy S. Reau, MD, FACG
Examine ways in which pregnancy can affect the liver and how to diagnose and manage hepatic complications of pregnancy.

2:20 pm Drug-Induced Liver Injury
Mark W. Russo, MD, MPH, FACG
Describe the typical patterns of drug-induced liver injury and the commonly used medications that may cause it.

3:00 pm Break

SESSION 4: THE IMMUNE SYSTEM AND THE LIVER

3:15 pm Assessing Liver Injury and Fibrosis
Ayse Aytaman, MD, FACG
Identify risk factors, screening mechanisms, and treatment options for patients with liver injury and fibrosis.

3:35 pm Autoimmune Liver Disease and Its Variants
Paul Y. Kwo, MD, FACG
Review the epidemiology, natural history, and treatment of autoimmune hepatitis.

3:55 pm Primary Biliary Cholangitis and Primary Sclerosing Cholangitis
David E. Bernstein, MD, FACG
Summarize the epidemiology, natural history, and treatments for PBC and PSC.

4:15 pm The Impact of Systemic Diseases on the Liver
Mitchell L. Shiffman, MD, FACG
Enumerate the ways in which sarcoidosis, myeloproliferative disorders, immune deficiency syndromes, and chemotherapy can impact the liver.

4:35 pm Q & A

4:55 pm Course Wrap-Up and Take-Away Points
Mitchell L. Shiffman, MD, FACG

5:15 pm Course Adjourns

MOBILE APP INFORMATION
Included with your registration is complimentary access to the course presentations via the ACG Mobile App. The app can be used to view faculty presentations on tablets, mobile devices, and laptops. Attendees will be able to take notes and highlight key points on the presentation slides at the event and continue reviewing them when they get home. PDFs of the presentations can be downloaded directly from the app or can be printed from the website version of the app. Pre-registrants will receive access to the app prior to the course, to view, download, or print the presentation slides. (NOTE: A printed syllabus will not be provided.)
COURSE DIRECTORS:
Ayse Aytaman, MD, FACG, and Colleen R. Kelly, MD, FACG

SATURDAY, JUNE 8, 2019
7:00 am Registration and Continental Breakfast in the Exhibit Hall
7:40 am Welcome Remarks and Announcements
Ayse Aytaman, MD, FACG, and Colleen R. Kelly, MD, FACG

SESSION 1: FUNCTIONAL GI DISORDERS
Moderator: Paul Moayyedi, MD, ChB, MPH, FACG
7:45 am Dyspepsia: Beyond HP, PPI, and EGD
Paul Moayyedi, MB ChB, PhD, MPH, FACG
Discuss treatment guidelines and best strategies for managing patients with functional dyspepsia.

8:05 am Pelvic Floor: Upping Your Game
Amanda B. Pressman, MD, FACG
Describe the evaluation and management of pelvic floor disorders including fecal incontinence, rectoceles/prolapse, and dyssynergic defecation.

8:25 am Bloating: Patients Seeking a Third Opinion
Walter W. Chan, MD, MPH
Identify the role of the enteric nervous system and gut microbiota in this disorder and treatments that are most likely to result in clinical benefits for challenging patients.

8:45 am Panel Discussion / Q & A
SESSION 2: MANAGING IBD FROM BABIES TO BOOMERS
Moderator: Sonia Friedman, MD, FACG

9:05 am Transition of Care: From Adolescent to Adult
Robbyn E. Sockolow, MD
Recognize factors to consider and methods to employ to ease the patient’s challenging transition from the pediatric to adult GI provider.

9:25 am Your IBD Patient Is Pregnant: Keep Calm and Carry On
Sonia Friedman, MD, FACG
Explain the safety profile of IBD medications in pregnancy and optimize the care of pregnant IBD patients.

9:45 am Considerations in the Elderly IBD Patient
Millie D. Long, MD, MPH, FACG
Consider age-related risks of therapies as well as co-morbidities, functional status, and polypharmacy in management of the aging IBD patient.

10:05 am UC: Update on New Guidelines
David T. Rubin, MD, FACG
Summarize the management of ulcerative colitis, including ways to fit newer medications into our treatment armamentarium.

SESSION 3: ESOPHAGUS
Moderator: Brian E. Lacy, MD, PhD, FACG

10:25 am Panel Discussion / Q & A

10:40 am Refreshment Break / Visit the Exhibit Hall

11:00 am EoE: Optimizing Care to Avoid the 2:00 a.m. Food Impaction
Gary W. Falk, MD, MS, FACG
Describe the rationale and practical approach for using proton pump inhibitors and elimination diet therapies in the management of eosinophilic esophagitis.

11:20 am Refractory GERD: When BID PPI Just Ain’t Cutting It
Kenneth R. DeVault, MD, FACG
Discuss appropriate management of GERD symptoms and use of pH, impedance, and motility testing to distinguish acid reflux from functional etiologies and understand which patients would most benefit from endoscopic or surgical interventions.

11:40 am Approach to Motility Disorders for the General GI
Brian E. Lacy, MD, PhD, FACG
Define the diagnosis and management of the most common motility disorders encountered in clinical practice.

12:00 pm Panel Discussion / Q & A

12:20 pm Break
A buffet luncheon will be available for all registered attendees.

12:35 pm Working Luncheon Presentation: Gastroenterology in the Time of the #MeToo Movement and Beyond
Richard E. Moses, DO, JD, FACG
Identify the legal issues that every practice should consider in the #MeToo era and discuss the pressures clinicians are under in the current societal and cultural revolution with specific attention to avoiding the issue of disruptive behavior.

1:20 pm Dessert in the Exhibit Hall

1:40 pm CRC Screening Quality Measures in 2019: The Burden Is On Us
Patrick E. Young, MD, FACG
Discuss new developments in colon cancer screening and surveillance.
SATURDAY AFTERNOON GENERAL SESSIONS / HANDS-ON WORKSHOP SESSIONS:

*Hands-on workshops do not offer CME.

2:15 pm  Microbiome in Liver Disease  
Jasmohan S. Bajaj, MD, MSc, FACG  
Recognize the emerging evidence for the impact of gut bacteria in liver disease and the potential for therapeutic intervention.  
OR Hands-on Workshop Session*

3:05 pm  Evaluating Genetic Cancer Syndromes  
Carol A. Burke, MD, FACG  
Discuss the approach to detection of Lynch syndrome in patients with colorectal neoplasia and other syndromes likely to be encountered in clinical practice.  
OR Hands-on Workshop Session*

3:55 pm  PPIs: Friend or Foe?  
Paul Moayyedi, MB ChB, PhD, MPH, FACG  
Analyze evidence found in studies that question the safety of long-term use of PPIs and develop a strategy for communicating the risks to patients and referring providers.  
OR Hands-on Workshop Session*

4:45 pm  Diagnosis and Management of C. difficile  
Colleen R. Kelly MD, FACP  
Explain how to accurately diagnose and treat severe/complicated CDI, when to consider FMT, and how to manage CDI in IBD.  
OR Hands-on Workshop Session*

5:30 pm  Course Adjourns for the Day

HANDS-ON WORKSHOPS

Attendees have the opportunity to participate in the hands-on workshops at no additional charge. These sessions focus on specific endoscopic procedures, and offer participants a chance to gain tactile experience using a variety of tools and techniques. Faculty will demonstrate a device and/or technique, and attendees will be able to practice in a low-risk setting. While the hands-on workshop sessions do not offer CME, they are a valuable learning experience and provide an opportunity for attendees to interact with the experts. Hands-on workshops will be concurrent with the general sessions Saturday afternoon. There are limited spaces available. Registrants are able to select their top choice when they register for the course. The College will assign stations based on availability.

HANDS-ON WORKSHOP SESSIONS

REGIONAL COURSE WORKSHOP DIRECTORS:  
Kevin E. Woods, MD, MPH, and Andrew Y. Wang, MD, FACG

8 hands-on stations will be offered. The stations are:

- Mucosal Ablation: RFA  
- Mucosal Ablation: Cryotherapy  
- ERCP  
- Foreign Body Removal  
- EMR  
- Hemostasis  
- Hemorrhoid Banding

- ESD
SUNDAY, JUNE 9, 2019

7:00 am Registration and Continental Breakfast in the Exhibit Hall

7:55 am Welcome and Announcements
Ayse Aytaman, MD, FACG, and Colleen R. Kelly, MD, FACG

SESSION 4: LIVER
Moderator: Ayse Aytaman, MD, FACG

8:00 am Fatty Liver on Imaging: Now What?
Zobair M. Younossi, MD, FACG
Examine the approach to the diagnosis of NAFLD/NASH, diagnostic tools, and key issues on current management.

8:20 am Approach to Liver Lesions: Abnormal Sonogram, Please Evaluate
Amit Singal, MD, MS
Evaluate approaches to non-malignant and malignant liver lesions with imaging characteristics, review the new AASLD/LIRAD algorithm, and provide an overview of management.

8:40 am Hepatitis B Consult Challenges
Ira M. Jacobson, MD, FACG
Identify common but challenging consult questions relating to hepatitis B infection, including management in the immunosuppressed, decompensated cirrhotic, and pregnant patient.

8:55 am Abnormal LFTs: Drugs Again?
Douglas T. Dieterich, MD, FACG
Discuss common medications that yield challenging management strategies, and address the common causes of DILI, pearls on its diagnosis and management, preventive measures, and reporting requirements.

9:10 am Panel Discussion / Q & A

9:30 am Refreshment Break / Visit the Exhibit Hall

SESSION 5: PANCREATICOBILIARY AND ADVANCED ENDOSCOPY
Moderator: Timothy B. Gardner, MD, MS, FACG

9:50 am Recurrent Acute Pancreatitis: When It's Not Obvious
Timothy B. Gardner, MD, MS, FACG
Evaluate and manage patients presenting with idiopathic acute pancreatitis including testing for hereditary pancreatitis and complex biliary pathology.

10:10 am Gallbladder 101: Stones, Polyps, HIDA Scans, and Post-Cholecystectomy Sequelae
Sarah M. Hyder, MD
Explain indications for cholecystectomy, what to do about polyps, and how to approach patients with symptoms in the early and later post-operative periods.

10:30 am Pancreatic Cysts: Often Incidental, Usually Benign, But Possibly Cancer
Anne Marie Lennon, MD, PhD, FACG
Discuss guidelines for work-up and adopt a rational approach to monitoring and diagnosing pancreatic cysts.

10:50 am Considerations for Endoscopy in the Obese or Post-Bariatric Patient
Austin L. Chiang, MD
Recognize the etiology of common GI symptoms and nutritional problems after bariatric surgery and discuss their identification, treatment, and prevention.

11:10 am Panel Discussion / Q & A

11:30 am Course Wrap-up and Take-away Points
Ayse Aytaman, MD, FACG, and Colleen R. Kelly, MD, FACG

12:00 pm Course Adjourns
REGISTRATION INFORMATION

There are separate registration fees for ACG's Hepatology School and the Eastern Regional Postgraduate Course. The registration fee for each course includes admission to all sessions, continental breakfasts, lunch on Friday for ACG's Hepatology School attendees, lunch on Saturday for Eastern Regional Postgraduate Course attendees, and refreshment breaks. All registrants must pay the full registration fee; partial registration is not available.

Full refund of registration fees will be given, less a $25 administrative fee, if written notice of cancellation is received by ACG by **Thursday, May 16, 2019**. No refunds will be given after this date. Attendees must register online at meetings.gi.org.

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The American College of Gastroenterology is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

ACG’s Hepatology School

The American College of Gastroenterology designates this live activity for a maximum of 8.5 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

Successful completion of this CME activity, which includes participation in the evaluation component, enables the participant to earn up to 11.75 MOC points in the ABIM’s MOC program. Participants will earn MOC points equivalent to the amount of CME credits claimed for the activity. It is the CME activity provider’s responsibility to submit participant completion information to ACCME for the purpose of granting ABIM MOC credit.

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

Both programs will be held at the Marriott Marquis in the heart of downtown Washington, DC. The hotel is within walking distance of several Metro stops, including Mt. Vernon Square / 7th Street Convention Center on the Yellow and Green lines, and Metro Center on the Blue, Orange, Silver, and Red lines. The hotel is also in close proximity to Union Station for those on the Northeast Corridor taking Amtrak to Washington, DC. This convenient location is only a short walk or Metro ride to many area attractions.

To make your reservation, please visit https://book.passkey.com/go/ACGJun19 or contact the Marriott Marquis directly at 1-888-236-2427 or 202-824-9200 to reserve your room. Special meeting room rates per night are $219 for single/double plus tax. Complimentary basic in-room WiFi will be provided for Marriott Rewards members – non-members can sign up at check-in to receive this benefit. The hotel accepts all major credit cards.

Reservations must be made by Thursday, May 16, 2019 in order to receive the special meeting rate.

Only a certain number of rooms are available at this rate and are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Once ACG’s room block is sold out, the hotel may charge a higher rate for any additional rooms made available. Requests for reservations received after this date will be on a space-available basis only. All reservations require a deposit of one night’s room and tax upon reservation. Cancellations made within 72 hours of check-in will be charged one night’s room and tax. Check-in is 3:00 pm. Check-out is 12:00 noon. Valet parking is $49 per day plus tax. The Marriott Marquis is located at 901 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC.

MORE INFORMATION

For more information about the meeting, contact education@gi.org.

Americans with Disabilities Act: Attendees of this ACG Regional Course who need additional reasonable accommodations or who have special needs (please indicate any dietary needs on the registration form) should contact the ACG office by email at registration@gi.org no later than Thursday, May 16, 2019.
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