ACG’S HEPATOLOGY SCHOOL & SOUTHERN REGIONAL POSTGRADUATE COURSE

DECEMBER 6-8, 2019 | OMNI LOUISVILLE HOTEL
LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY

ACG’S HEPATOLOGY SCHOOL

EARN UP TO 8.25 CME CREDITS

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COURSE

EARN UP TO 8.25 MOC POINTS

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JOIN COLLEAGUES IN LOUISVILLE FOR ACG’S 1-DAY HEPATOLOGY SCHOOL AND WEEKEND SOUTHERN REGIONAL POSTGRADUATE COURSE

ACG’s Hepatology School, to be held on Friday, December 6, 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 Luis S. Marsano, MD, FACG, and Vonda G. Reeves, MD, MBA, FACG, the Southern Regional Postgraduate Course, offered on Saturday and Sunday, December 7-8, will focus on areas such as IBD, colon, liver, pancreaticobiliary, small bowel, stomach, and esophagus. Hands-on sessions will also be offered on Saturday afternoon.

Both programs will take place at the new Omni Louisville Hotel, which is a short distance from a number of attractions including 4th Street Live (a massive entertainment, dining and retail complex), Whiskey Row, the Louisville Slugger Museum, and Churchill Downs. Whether you are a sports fan, a history buff, or a bourbon connoisseur, there is a wide variety of things to see and do in this historic city.

For more on what there is to see and do in Louisville, please visit gotolouisville.com.
PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Southern 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 management of IBD in different populations, improving your adenoma detection rate, NAFLD and DILI, addressing disparities in healthcare, ergonomics for the endoscopist, biliary strictures, obscure GI bleeding, celiac disease, SIBO, gastric intestinal metaplasia, the use of POEM and NOTES in the esophagus, and a keynote presentation about the role of diet in disease management. The structure of the program includes a mix of didactic presentations delivered by expert faculty, breakout sessions, 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

Building on the success of ACG’s prior Hepatitis Schools, this 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, 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.

Learn and earn your end-of-year CME and MOC
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6, 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
         Joseph Ahn, MD, MS, MBA, FACG
         Summarize the current management options for chronic HBV infection and describe post-treatment follow-up.

8:50 am  Management of Non-Alcoholic Fatty Liver Disease
         Catherine T. Frenette, MD
         Describe the causes, epidemiology, natural history, and treatment of NAFLD.

9:10 am  Recognizing 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

9:50 am  Break

SESSION 2: MANAGEMENT OF CIRRHOSIS AND ITS COMPLICATIONS

10:05 am  Routine Care of the Patient With Cirrhosis
         Catherine T. Frenette, MD
         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
         Luis S. Marsano, 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
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<td>Cardiopulmonary Disease and the Liver</td>
<td>Joseph Ahn, MD, MS, MBA, FACG</td>
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<td>Discuss the effects of cardiopulmonary disease on the liver and how the liver can cause pulmonary disease.</td>
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<td>Assessment of Systemic Diseases on the Liver</td>
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<td>Discuss how sarcoidosis, amyloidosis, myeloproliferative disorders, immune disorders, and chemotherapy can impact the liver.</td>
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<td>Impact of Pregnancy on the Liver</td>
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<td>Examine ways in which pregnancy can affect the liver and how to diagnose and manage hepatic complications of pregnancy.</td>
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<td>Drug-Induced Liver Injury</td>
<td>Mark W. Russo, MD, MPH, FACG</td>
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<td>Describe the typical patterns of drug-induced liver injury and the commonly used medications that may cause it.</td>
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**SESSION 4: IMMUNE LIVER DISEASE AND OTHER TIDBITS**

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<td>Assessing Liver Injury and Fibrosis</td>
<td>Luis S. Marsano, MD, FACG</td>
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<td>Discuss ways to assess liver injury and fibrosis with invasive and non-invasive testing.</td>
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<td>Autoimmune Liver Disease and Its Variants</td>
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<td>Review the epidemiology, natural history, and treatment of autoimmune hepatitis.</td>
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<td>Primary Biliary Cholangitis and Primary Sclerosing Cholangitis</td>
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<td>Summarize the epidemiology, natural history, and treatments for PBC and PSC.</td>
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<td>Evaluation of Liver Masses</td>
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<td>Describe the evaluation and management of liver masses.</td>
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**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 can continue reviewing them after the course. 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.)

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COURSE DIRECTORS:
Luis S. Marsano, MD, FACG, and Vonda G. Reeves, MD, MBA, FACG

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2019

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

7:40 am  Welcome Remarks and Announcements
Luis S. Marsano, MD, FACG, and Vonda G. Reeves, MD, MBA, FACG

SESSION 1: IBD
Moderator: Bincy P. Abraham, MD, MS, FACG

7:45 am  Management of Moderate-to-Severe Ulcerative Colitis and Crohn’s Disease
David T. Rubin, MD, FACG
Describe the best therapeutic options for patients with moderate-to-severe IBD.

8:05 am  Extraintestinal Manifestations of IBD
Christina Y. Ha, MD, FACG
Identify the skin, eye, hepatic, and other manifestations of IBD and how they may modify or influence management.

8:25 am  Biosimilars in the Management of IBD
Bincy P. Abraham, MD, MS, FACG
Recognize how best to use biosimilars and their potential pitfalls in managing IBD.

8:45 am  Effects of IBD and Its Treatment in Fertility and Pregnancy
Kara M. De Felice, MD
Explain how UC and Crohn’s disease affect fertility and pregnancy, and identify therapeutic considerations for treatment.

9:05 am  Panel Discussion / Q & A
SESSION 2: COLON
Moderator: Douglas K. Rex, MD, MACG

9:25 am Management of Flat Colon Polyps Less Than 20 mm and Larger Than 20 mm
Douglas K. Rex, MD, MACG
Summarize the various options for managing flat colon polyps, depending on their size, that yield the best treatment outcomes.

9:45 am Incorporating Genetic Testing for Gastrointestinal Cancer in Your Practice: Who Is a Candidate and How to Test?
Ramona M. Lim, MD
Analyze the use of screening tools to identify patients with genetic gastrointestinal cancer risk, and how to test the “screen positive” patient (genetic cancer panels plus selective genetics consult, versus genetics consult from the start).

10:05 am Adenoma Detection Rate: Techniques to Maximize Your Yield
Douglas K. Rex, MD, MACG
Outline ways to improve a clinician’s adenoma detection rate.

10:25 am Panel Discussion / Q & A

10:45 am Refreshment Break / Visit the Exhibit Hall

SESSION 3: LIVER
Moderator: David E. Bernstein, MD, FACG

11:05 am Non-Alcoholic Fatty Liver Disease
David E. Bernstein, MD, FACG
Discuss the most relevant aspects of epidemiology, diagnosis, and treatment options in NAFLD/ NASH.

11:25 am Coagulation in Cirrhosis
Stephen H. Caldwell, MD
Recognize and manage coagulation in patients with cirrhosis.

11:45 am Drug-Induced Liver Disease
Raj Vuppalanchi, MD
Recognize the current epidemiology, diagnosis, and management approach to DILI.

12:05 pm Acute-on-Chronic Liver Failure
K. Rajender Reddy, MD, FACG
Describe the diagnosis and management of ACLF.

12:25 pm Panel Discussion / Q & A

12:45 pm Break

1:05 pm Luncheon Presentation: Learning to Eat
Patricia L. Raymond, MD, FACG
Explain the role of diet in disease management and how its application can benefit you and your patients.

1:45 pm Break – Dessert in the Exhibit Hall
SATURDAY AFTERNOON GENERAL SESSIONS / HANDS-ON WORKSHOP SESSIONS:
*Hands-on workshops do not offer CME.

2:05 pm  Addressing Healthcare Disparities  Darrell M. Gray, II, MD, MPH, FACG
Identify key factors that are barriers to health equity and provide ideas and resources to eliminate those barriers.
OR Hands-on Workshop Session*

2:55 pm  Management of Anticoagulants in Therapeutic GI Endoscopy: When to Stop and When to Restart  Neena S. Abraham, MD, MSc (Epid), FACG
Discuss the safe management of anticoagulants before and after therapeutic endoscopic therapy.
OR Hands-on Workshop Session*

3:45 pm  Approved Endoscopic Bariatric Therapies: Indications and Effectiveness  Mohamed O. Othman, MD
Analyze the different endoscopic bariatric therapy options as well as their effectiveness.
OR Hands-on Workshop Session*

4:35 pm  Preventing Injuries to the Endoscopist: Using Ergonomics in Your Practice  Manish B. Singla, MD, FACG
Analyze ways to modify your endoscopy suite to prevent repetitive movement and other endoscopy-related injuries.
OR Hands-on Workshop Session*

5:25 pm  Adjourn 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 have the opportunity to practice. While the hands-on workshop sessions do not offer CME, they are a valuable learning experience, and give attendees the chance to interact with the experts. Hands-on workshops will be concurrent with the general sessions on Saturday afternoon. There are limited spaces available. Registrants are able to select their top choice of station and time. Attendees can join additional workshops by picking up tickets at the registration desk on-site, if available.

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

5 hands-on stations will be offered. The stations are:
✓ EMR / ESD
✓ Mucosal Ablation: RFA
✓ Hemorrhoid Banding
✓ Foreign Body Removal
✓ Endosuturing
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2019

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

7:55 am  Welcome and Announcements
         Luis S. Marsano, MD, FACG, and Vonda G. Reeves, MD, MBA, FACG

SESSION 4: PANCREATICOBILIARY
Moderator: Christopher J. DiMaio, MD, FACG

8:00 am  The Indeterminate Biliary Stricture: Diagnostic Approach and Treatment
         David E. Loren, MD
         Describe how to best investigate and manage the indeterminate biliary stricture.

8:20 am  Pancreatic Cysts: Evaluation and Management
         Christopher J. DiMaio, MD, FACG
         Identify diagnostic features of different cystic pancreatic lesions and how to manage them.

8:40 am  Surveillance Methods for High Risk Individuals for Pancreatic Cancer
         Ralph Brooks Vance, MD
         Identify the current state of the science for pancreatic cancer screening in high-risk populations.

9:00 am  Panel Discussion / Q & A

SESSION 5: SMALL BOWEL
Moderator: Mark Pimentel, MD, FACG

9:20 am  Evaluation of Obstructive GI Bleeding: Overt and Covert
         David R. Cave, MD, PhD, FACG
         Evaluate better ways to use diagnostic tools when EGD and colonoscopy fail to find the source of a GI bleed.

9:40 am  Update on Celiac Disease
         Sheila E. Crowe, MD, FACG
         Recognize the different presentations of and the best diagnostic approach for celiac disease.

10:00 am Small Intestinal Bacterial Overgrowth
         Mark Pimentel, MD, FACG
         Identify practical testing and management plans for SIBO.

10:20 am Panel Discussion / Q & A

10:40 am Refreshment Break / Visit the Exhibits

SESSION 6: STOMACH & ESOPHAGUS
Moderator: Shelia E. Crowe, MD, FACG

11:00 am Diagnosis and Treatment of H. pylori
         Shelia E. Crowe, MD, FACG
         Discuss the diagnosis and treatment of H. pylori.

11:20 am Achalasia Type I, II and III, and Esophago-Gastric Junction Outflow Obstruction: Diagnosis and Management
         Marcelo F. Vela, MD, MSCR, FACG
         Define the differences in achalasia subtypes and esophageal outlet disorder, as well as their management.

11:40 am Refractory Esophageal Strictures
         Stephen A. McClave, MD
         Compare the treatment options and their effectiveness in refractory esophageal strictures.

12:00 pm POEM and NOTES of the Esophagus
         Mohamed O. Othman, MD
         Describe indications and effectiveness of per-oral endoscopic myotomy and natural orifice transluminal endoscopic surgery in the esophagus.

12:20 pm Panel Discussion / Q & A

12:40 pm Course Wrap-Up and Take-Away Points
         Luis S. Marsano, MD, FACG, and Vonda G. Reeves, MD, MBA, FACG

12:50 pm Course Adjourns
REGISTRATION INFORMATION
There are separate registration fees for ACG’s Hepatology School and the Southern 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 Southern 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 November 15, 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 8.25 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

ACCOMMODATIONS
Both programs will be held at the new Omni Louisville Hotel in the heart of downtown Louisville.

To make your hotel reservation, you may book online at omnihotels.com/hotels/louisville/meetings/acg-12052019 or call 1-800-THE-OMNI. The special meeting rate per night is $204, plus state and local taxes (currently 16.07%) for Deluxe Rooms.

Reservations must be made by November 15, 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. Cancellations made within 72 hours of check-in will be charged one night’s room and tax.

The hotel is within walking distance to many local attractions including Whiskey Row, the Urban Bourbon Trail, the Muhammad Ali Center, the Kentucky Museum of Art & Craft, the Frazier History Museum, and Louisville Glass Works. The hotel also features several restaurants and bars, a fully equipped fitness center, a spa, and a salon. Check-in time is 3:00 p.m. Check-out time is 11:00 a.m. All parking at the hotel is by valet; valet parking is $32 per vehicle, per night, plus tax. The Omni Louisville Hotel is located at 400 2nd Street, Louisville, KY 40202.

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MORE INFORMATION
For more information about these programs, contact ACG at education@gi.org.

Americans with Disabilities Act: Attendees of these ACG programs 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 November 15, 2019.