2021
ACG / FGS ANNUAL SPRING SYMPOSIUM
FEBRUARY 26-28, 2021 | NAPLES GRANDE BEACH HOTEL
NAPLES, FLORIDA

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EARN UP TO CME CREDITS
EARN UP TO MOC POINTS
JOIN US AT THE ACG/FGS ANNUAL SPRING SYMPOSIUM, FEBRUARY 26-28, 2021, AT THE NAPLES GRANDE BEACH HOTEL IN NAPLES, FLORIDA

Join your colleagues for the ACG/FGS Annual Spring Symposium at the Naples Grande Beach Hotel in beautiful Naples, Florida. The program is designed to fill your mornings with the latest clinical updates while keeping your afternoons free to explore and enjoy the many amenities the area has to offer. Daily sessions wrap up by 1:00 pm, giving you plenty of opportunity to reflect, relax, and unwind.

Explore charming Naples, Florida when you attend the ACG/FGS Annual Spring Symposium. The Naples Grande Beach Hotel offers pampering spa options, sandy beaches, and sophisticated accommodations. Relax with a sunset stroll along the three miles of white sand beach on the stunning Gulf of Mexico or visit Naples’ historic district with its wide variety of shops and restaurants.

Within a short drive from the hotel, the beauty and culture of Naples and Southwest Florida await. Attractions range from art galleries, museums, and unique shops to more active pursuits including charter fishing excursions and Everglades tours.
PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The current pace of scientific discovery makes mastery of advancing knowledge, new diagnostic techniques, and progress in therapeutics a challenge for the gastroenterologist or generalist. At the same time, the rigors of the profession demand a deeper understanding of changes occurring within the healthcare system. Nationally recognized expert faculty will provide insight into these areas through a combination of didactic presentations and interactive discussions. Attendees will leave the program ready to immediately implement the knowledge gained to improve their clinical practice.

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.

REGISTER ONLINE: MEETINGS.GI.ORG
SESSION 1: LIVER

8:00 am  Update on Management of Hepatocellular Carcinoma
Patricia D. Jones, MD
Explain a diagnosis and treatment algorithm for management of patients with hepatocellular carcinoma.

8:20 am  Surveillance of Malignancies in Primary Sclerosing Cholangitis
Cynthia Levy, MD
Describe the importance of surveillance and determine appropriate strategies to survey for malignancies in patients with primary sclerosing cholangitis.

8:40 am  Approach to Fatty Liver: What Can We Offer?
Virginia Clark, MD, MS
Identify a feasible approach for the management of fatty liver disease including appropriate patient selection for liver biopsy.

9:00 am  Complications of Cirrhosis: Managing the Complex Liver Patient
Kimberly A. Brown, MD
Apply current guideline recommendations for management of complications of cirrhosis including gastroesophageal varices, refractory ascites, hepatorenal syndrome, and hepatic encephalopathy.

9:20 am  Case Presentation

SESSION 2: DAY-TO-DAY CHALLENGES

10:30 am  The Obesity Epidemic: Strategies for Weight Management
Michelle Pearlman, MD
Discuss goals of weight management in obese patients, define the pros and cons of various diets, and identify strategies to achieve success in clinical practice.

10:50 am  Chronic Abdominal Pain and Bloating
Brian E. Lacy, MD, PhD, FACG
Implement clinically oriented algorithms for diagnosis and management of chronic abdominal pain and bloating.

11:10 am  Sorting Out Functional Esophageal Disorders
David J. Cangemi, MD
Examine diagnostic processes and treatment options for various functional esophageal disorders.

11:30 am  SIBO: Challenges in Diagnosis and Treatment
William D. Chey, MD, FACG
List risk factors, diagnostic criteria, and treatment options for patients with small bowel bacterial overgrowth.

11:50 am  Case Presentation

12:00 pm  Panel Discussion / Q & A

12:30 pm  Daily Wrap-Up

12:40 pm  Adjourn for the Day
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2021

7:30 am  Continental Breakfast / Visit Exhibits

7:55 am  Morning Announcements
Andres Gelrud, MD, MMSc, and
Cynthia Levy, MD

SESSION 3: PANCREAS

8:00 am  Management of the Pancreatic Cyst
Mohit Girotra, MD
Identify different types of pancreatic cystic lesions and the need for surveillance, including time intervals, when to stop surveying, and when to refer to surgery, based on the current ACG clinical guidelines.

8:20 am  Management of Acute Pancreatitis: The Critical Hours
Christopher E. Forsmark, MD, FACG
Recognize treatable conditions that lead to acute pancreatitis and when to treat them, and understand the importance of fluid resuscitation and how it is performed.

8:40 am  Diagnostic and Treatment Approach to Recurrent Acute Pancreatitis
Andres Gelrud, MD, MMSc
Describe the assessment and treatment of patients with recurrent acute pancreatitis and identify when to perform genetic testing.

9:00 am  Pancreatic Fluid Collections: When and How to Treat
Shyam S. Varadarajulu, MD
Discuss when and how to drain pancreatic fluid collections including management of adverse events.

9:20 am  Case Presentation

9:30 am  Panel Discussion / Q & A

10:00 am  Break / Visit Exhibits

SESSION 4: ENDOSCOPY

10:30 am  ERCP in the Patient With Altered Anatomy: What You Need to Know to Succeed
Peter V. Draganov, MD, FACG
Explain different ERCP treatment options for specific types of altered anatomy.

10:50 am  Non-Surgical Treatment Options for Hemorrhoids
Javier L. Parra, MD
Define the current treatment options for hemorrhoids with emphasis on endotherapy for symptomatic hemorrhoids.

11:00 am  Innovations in Endoscopic Diagnostics and Therapeutics - The Future of Endoscopy
Michael B. Wallace, MD, MPH, FACG
Analyze new diagnostic and therapeutic endoscopic options with an emphasis on Artificial Intelligence and computer-based lesion recognition.

11:30 am  Strategies to Reduce Adenoma Recurrence: New Devices and Processors
David L. Carr-Locke, MD, FACG
Assess techniques to identify polyps and reduce adenoma recurrence, such as tissue retractors (placed in the tip of the endoscope) and different light waves including light processors.

11:50 am  Case Presentation

12:00 pm  Panel Discussion / Q & A

12:30 pm  Daily Wrap-Up

12:40 pm  Adjourn for the Day
SESSION 5: ESOPHAGUS AND MOTILITY

8:00 am  Pelvic Floor Disorders: Evaluation and Management 101
Asyia S. Ahmad, MD
Identify symptoms, possible causes, and determine work-up plans and treatment options for disorders of the pelvic floor including fecal incontinence, dyssynergic defecation, and rectal prolapse.

8:20 am  Demystifying GEJ Outflow Obstruction
Baharak Moshiree, MD, FACG
Explain the challenges in interpretation of manometric findings of gastroesophageal junction outflow obstruction and discuss treatment options and outcomes.

8:40 am  Third Space Endoscopy: Current Techniques, Indications, and Complications
Tolga Erim, DO
Recognize new endoscopic treatment options for conditions previously treated with surgery.

9:00 am  Surveillance and New Treatment Options for Barrett’s Esophagus
Tamas A. Gonda, MD
Describe current BE surveillance guidelines with emphasis on time frame and new technologies for early recognition of lesions.

9:20 am  Case Presentation

9:30 am  Panel Discussion / Q & A

10:00 am  Break / Visit Exhibits
SESSION 6: COLON

10:30 am  A Guide for Use of Biologicals in IBD: When to Start, Stop, Switch, or Go Back  
Jill K. J. Gaidos, MD, FACG  
Compare the pros and cons of approved treatment options and provide guidance on treatment selection for patients with IBD.

10:50 am  Spectrum of Diverticular Disease: What’s New?  
Amar R. Deshpande, MD, FACG  
Discuss the current classification of the spectrum of diverticular disease, describe the role of antibiotics, and determine when surgery is indicated.

11:10 am  Colon Cancer Screening Pearls and Intervals  
Daniel A. Sussman, MD, MSPH  
Identify appropriate CRC surveillance intervals for various clinical scenarios using a case-based approach including common genetic syndromes.

11:30 am  Best Practices for Colon Polypectomy  
Uzma D. Siddiqui, MD  
Differentiate treatment modalities for each type of colon polyp, including EMR, ESD, and endoscopic full thickness resection, including early recognition and treatment of complications.

11:50 am  Case Presentation

12:00 pm  Panel Discussion / Q & A

12:30 pm  Course Wrap-Up and Key Take-Away Points  
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12:45 pm  Course Adjourns
REGISTRATION AND MOBILE APP

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.)

ACCREDITATION / CME / MOC

This activity has been planned and implemented in accordance with the accreditation requirements and policies of the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) through the joint providership of the American College of Gastroenterology and the Florida Gastroenterologic Society. The American College of Gastroenterology is accredited by the ACCME to provide continuing medical education for physicians. The American College of Gastroenterology designates this live activity for a maximum of 13 **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 13 MOC points in the American Board of Internal Medicine’s (ABIM) Maintenance of Certification (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.
REGISTRATION INFORMATION

The registration fee includes continental breakfasts and refreshment breaks on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. All registrants must pay the full registration fee; partial registration is not available. A full refund of registration fees will be given, less a $25 administrative fee, if written notice of cancellation is received by ACG by February 8, 2021. No refunds will be given after this date. Attendees must register online at meetings.gi.org.

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ACCOMMODATIONS

The program will be held at the Naples Grande Beach Hotel in beautiful Naples, Florida.

To make your hotel reservation, visit book.passkey.com/go/FGS2021 or contact the hotel directly at 1-844-210-5931. Special meeting room rates per night are $319 single/double plus tax (currently 12%). Reservations must be made by January 21, 2021, 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. All reservations require a deposit of one night’s room and tax. All major credit cards are accepted. Cancellations made within 7 days of check-in will be charged one night’s room and tax.

A daily Resort Fee of $10 plus tax provides the following guest amenities: complimentary WiFi, two bottles of water in room, complimentary bicycles (based on availability), beach and pool towels and chaise lounges, newspaper in lobby, 24-hour access to fitness center, range balls at Naples Grande Golf Club, and 10% discount on tennis court fees.

In addition, the special room rate includes complimentary self-parking. Valet parking is available at a daily rate of $18 per day plus tax with in/out privileges. Day of event parking is available for $10 plus tax for attendees not staying overnight.

NOTE: The hotel room block has sold out the past three years. We strongly encourage you to make your reservations EARLY!
The Naples Grande Beach Hotel is located at 475 Seagate Drive, Naples, FL 34103. Check-in is 4:00 pm. Check-out is 11:00 am. Visit the hotel's website for more information: naplesgrande.com.

MORE INFORMATION

For more information about this program, contact ACG at education@gi.org.

Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA): Attendees of these programs who need additional reasonable accommodations or who have special needs (including dietary needs) should contact the ACG office by email at registration@gi.org no later than February 8, 2021.
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