2021

ACG’S HEPATOLOGY SCHOOL
& ACG / VGS / ODSGNA
REGIONAL POSTGRADUATE COURSE

SEPTEMBER 10-12, 2021 | WILLIAMSBURG LODGE
WILLIAMSBURG, VIRGINIA

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ACG’s Hepatology School and the ACG / VGS / ODSGNA Regional Postgraduate Course are designed to meet the needs of the entire GI team.

Bring your entire practice and join colleagues at these two outstanding programs developed specifically for gastroenterologists, gastroenterology trainees, primary care physicians, nurses, nurse practitioners, physician assistants, pharmacists, therapists, and other members of the GI patient care team.

These programs are ideal for healthcare providers who are looking for a comprehensive update but don’t want to spend valuable time away from the office. For the third year, we have added a full day of education on Friday, nearly doubling the total education time offered for the weekend. ACG’s Hepatology School 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.

The ACG / VGS / ODSGNA Regional Postgraduate Course will be offered all day Saturday and a half-day Sunday, with an agenda that will include presentations.
on management of eosinophilic gastritis and enteritis, managing the short bowel syndrome patient, chronic pancreatitis, nutrition in chronic liver disease, dysplasia surveillance in IBD, advances in EUS for vascular and liver disease, management of gas and bloating, and an update on nonvariceal upper GI bleeding. In addition, a Red Journal Wrap-Up presentation, an update on the Virginia Colorectal Cancer Roundtable, and a talk on managing your brand in the era of social media are scheduled. The program will also feature a special ODSGNA-sponsored Endoscopy Boot Camp on Saturday afternoon, as well as the always popular fellows’ case presentation session.

Step back in time and explore U.S. history in the Historic Area of Colonial Williamsburg, which is just steps from the Williamsburg Lodge, a Marriott Autograph Collection hotel. Colonial Williamsburg features more than 500 restored and reconstructed buildings set on a 300-acre historic site. As a guest of the Lodge, you will enjoy discounts on admission passes to Colonial Williamsburg’s Historic Area, free area shuttle service, preferred reservations for dining at Colonial Williamsburg taverns and restaurants, preferred reservations for the Golden Horseshoe Golf Club and the spa, access to three pools and the fitness center, and more than 40 shops within walking distance.

Plan your visit to Colonial Williamsburg at www.history.org.

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 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.)
## ACG'S HEPATOLOGY SCHOOL—AGENDA

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

### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2021

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

### SESSION 1: CHRONIC LIVER DISEASE

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<td>Assessing and Treating HBV</td>
<td><em>David E. Bernstein, MD, FACG</em></td>
<td>Identify the various phases of HBV and how to identify which patients should be considered for treatment, including patients who are pregnant or have cirrhosis.</td>
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<td>Assessing and Treating HCV in Special Situations</td>
<td><em>Paul Y. Kwo, MD, FACG</em></td>
<td>Review important issues regarding assessment and treatment options for patients with cirrhosis, chronic renal failure, acute HCV, and use of HCV+ donors for transplantation.</td>
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<td>Assessing and Selecting Patients With Non-Alcoholic Fatty Liver Disease for Treatment</td>
<td><em>Manal F. Abdelmalek, MD, MPH, FACG</em></td>
<td>Explain the natural history of NAFLD, testing to identify patients for treatment, and recently approved treatments for NASH.</td>
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<td>Recognizing and Managing Alcoholic Liver Disease</td>
<td><em>Philippe J. Zamor, MD</em></td>
<td>Discuss how alcohol can damage the liver, who is at risk and treatment options for severe alcohol induced liver injury.</td>
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<td>Autoimmune Hepatitis and the Impact of Autoimmune Diseases on the Liver</td>
<td><em>Paul Y. Kwo, MD, FACG</em></td>
<td>Review the natural history of autoimmune hepatitis, diagnostic criteria, and treatment options for patients who are refractory or intolerant to standard immune suppression.</td>
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<td>Primary Biliary Cirrhosis, Primary Sclerosing Cholangitis, and Other Cholestatic Liver Disorders</td>
<td><em>David E. Bernstein, MD, FACG</em></td>
<td>Identify the causes and diagnostic evaluation of cholestasis and the natural history and treatment of PBC, PSC, and other cholestatic disorders.</td>
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<td>Alpha-1-Antitrypsin Deficiency and Wilson’s Disease</td>
<td><em>Alfred Sidney Barritt, IV, MD, FACG</em></td>
<td>Explain the genetics of these two liver disorders, who is at risk to develop liver injury, and treatment options.</td>
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<td>Assessing Fibrosis in Patients With Chronic Liver Disease</td>
<td>Zachary H. Henry, MD</td>
<td>Review various diagnostic tests which can be utilized to assess fibrosis in patients with chronic liver disease.</td>
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<td>1:20 pm</td>
<td>Assessing and Managing Hepatic Encephalopathy</td>
<td>Jasmohan S. Bajaj, MD, MSc, FACG</td>
<td>Discuss the spectrum of HE including covert HE, the role of serum ammonia, and treatment of HE including patients refractory to medical therapy.</td>
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<td>Assessing and Managing Acute Liver Failure in the Community</td>
<td>Philippe J. Zamor, MD</td>
<td>Recognize how to evaluate and treat ALF in a non-liver transplant hospital and how to recognize patients who should be transferred to a liver transplant center.</td>
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<td>Assessing and Managing Acute Kidney Injury in Patients With Cirrhosis</td>
<td>Michael M. Babich, MD</td>
<td>Discuss the causes of and ways to manage AKI in patients with cirrhosis and how to recognize and treat HRS.</td>
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<td>Preventing and Managing Frailty in Patients With Cirrhosis</td>
<td>Jennifer Lai, MD</td>
<td>Identify and manage patients with cirrhosis who may be at risk of developing frailty.</td>
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<td>Thrombocytopenia and the Risk of Bleeding in Patients With Cirrhosis</td>
<td>Jennifer Lai, MD</td>
<td>Discuss the impact etiology for thrombocytopenia in patients with cirrhosis, the risk of bleeding in patients with thrombocytopenia, and strategies to correct it.</td>
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<td>Thrombosis and Use of Anticoagulation in Patients With Cirrhosis</td>
<td>Neeral L. Shah, MD, FACG</td>
<td>Explain the etiologies for portal and hepatic vein thrombosis in patients with and without cirrhosis, diagnostic testing, natural history, and treatment options.</td>
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<td>Assessing Iron as a Cause for and Consequence of Chronic Liver Disease</td>
<td>Mitchell L. Shiffman, MD, FACG</td>
<td>Review mechanisms of iron metabolism, how to interpret measurements of iron stores, and how to treat iron overload and iron deficiency in patients with chronic liver disease.</td>
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Anne G. Tuskey, MD, FACG, and Eileen Dauz, BSN, RN, CGRN, CFER

COURSE CO-DIRECTORS:
Jeffrey P. LaFond, MD, and Donna Dickinson, MSN, RN, CGRN, CMSRN, CFER

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2021

7:00 am Registration and Continental Breakfast / Visit Exhibit Hall
7:50 am Welcome and Introductions
Anne G. Tuskey, MD, FACG, and Jeffrey P. LaFond, MD

SESSION 1: UPPER GI
Moderator: Anne G. Tuskey, MD, FACG

8:00 am Beyond EoE: Management of Eosinophilic Gastritis and Enteritis
Gary W. Falk, MD, MS, FACG
Outline the work-up and treatment of the “other” eosinophilic GI disorders.

8:20 am Follow-Up on the Gastric Biopsy: Gastric Intestinal Metaplasia and Atrophic Gastritis
Douglas R. Morgan, MD, MPH, FACG
Outline the work-up and management for gastric intestinal metaplasia and atrophic gastritis when found on biopsy.

8:40 am The Role of Breath Testing in Diagnosis of Bacterial Overgrowth and Prediction of Treatment Response
Ali Rezaie, MD, MSc
Summarize the updated consensus recommendations on breath testing and describe clinical application and prediction of treatment response.

9:00 am Panel Discussion / Q & A

SESSION 2: SMALL BOWEL AND NUTRITION
Moderator: Anne G. Tuskey, MD, FACG

9:20 am Optimizing the SBS Patient: Diet and Hydration
Carol Rees Parrish, MS, RD
Recognize the factors contributing to diarrhea and malabsorption in SBS, review implementation of the short bowel diet, and outline other approaches to prevent dehydration.

9:40 am Maximizing Short Bowel Function Through Pharmacology
Andrew P. Copland, MD
Discuss the best agents to minimize diarrhea, maximize absorption, and prevent medication overburden in short bowel patients, understand how to appropriately utilize bile acid binders, antibiotics and pancreatic enzymes in patients with SBS, and identify the SBS patient who might benefit from the use of a trophic agent.

10:00 am Panel Discussion / Q & A
10:15 am Refreshment Break / Visit Exhibits

SESSION 3: PANCREAS / BILIARY
Moderator: Jeffrey P. LaFond, MD

10:45 am Diagnosis and Treatment of IgG4-Related Pancreaticobiliary Disease
Douglas G. Adler, MD, FACG
Discuss the approach to and treatment of autoimmune pancreatitis and IgG4-related sclerosing cholangitis.

11:05 am Updates on the Management of Chronic Pancreatitis
Timothy B. Gardner, MD, MS, FACG
Examine the current best practices for the diagnosis and management of chronic pancreatitis.

11:25 am Panel Discussion / Q & A
SESSION 4: LIVER
Moderator: Jeffrey P. LaFond, MD

11:40 am Initial Work-Up and Evaluation of a Patient With NAFLD
Alfred Sidney Barritt, IV, MD, FACG
Describe an evidence-based approach for the general gastroenterologist in the initial screening, diagnosis, and work-up of patients with NAFLD and NASH, with a focus on which patients should be evaluated and which patients should be treated.

12:00 pm Nutrition in Chronic Liver Disease
Craig J. McClain, MD, FACG
Discuss the importance of adequate protein intake on the management of ascites and encephalopathy and review the implications of malnutrition on the survival of patients with compensated and decompensated chronic liver disease including those with NAFLD.

12:20 pm Panel Discussion / Q & A

12:35 pm Boxed Lunches Available / Visit Exhibits

Attendees can choose to attend one of two concurrent afternoon sessions (1:30 pm - 4:30pm): an ACG/VGS session or an SGNA-sponsored nursing session.

1:30 pm Fellows’ Cases
Moderator: Neeral L. Shah, MD, FACG

2:20 pm Virginia Colorectal Cancer Roundtable
Cynthia M. Yoshida, MD

2:40 pm VGS President’s Address
Andrew Y. Wang, MD, FACG

SESSION 5: IBD
Moderator: Anne G. Tuskey, MD, FACG

2:50 pm Inpatient Management of Acute Severe UC
Ashwin Ananthakrishnan, MD
Outline the current treatment strategies for the inpatient with acute severe ulcerative colitis.

3:10 pm Pregnancy in IBD
Maithili V. Chitnavis, MD
Discuss IBD management strategies before and during pregnancy.

3:30 pm Dysplasia Surveillance in IBD: Applying the Guidelines to Your Practice
Millie D. Long, MD, FACG
Interpret the guidelines and apply them to practice for primary and secondary cancer prevention in IBD patients, including the use of chromoendoscopy.

3:50 pm Panel Discussion / Q & A

4:10 pm Red Journal Wrap-Up
Brennan M. Spiegel, MD, MSHS, FACG
Review the highest impact articles published in the AJG in the last year.

OR
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2021

7:00 am  Continental Breakfast / Visit Exhibits

7:00 am  VGS and ODSGNA Board Meetings

7:50 am  Welcome and Announcements
  Anne G. Tuskey, MD, FACG, and Jeffrey P. LaFond, MD

Attendees can choose to attend one of two concurrent morning sessions (8:00 am - 9:20 am): an endoscopy session, or a case-focused session.

SESSION 6A: ENDOSCOPY SESSION
Moderators: Andrew Y. Wang, MD, FACG, and Tilak U. Shah, MD, MHS

8:00 am  Approach to Palliating Patients With Malignant Gastroduodenal Outlet Obstruction
  Paul Yeaton, MD
  Describe the indications, risks, and benefits of PEG-J, surgical bypass, endoluminal stenting, and EUS gastrojejunostomy.

8:20 am  Biliopancreatic Endoscopy in Surgically Altered Anatomy
  Doumit S. BouHaidar, MD
  Discuss methods for performing ERCP and/or obtaining biliary access in patients with surgically altered gastroduodenal anatomy, including surgically-assisted, enteroscopy-assisted, and EUS-assisted routes.
8:40 am Alvin M. Zfass, MD, MACG Lectureship: Advances in EUS for Vascular and Liver Disease
John M. DeWitt, MD, FACP
Describe EUS-liver biopsy, recognize EUS as a modality for direct portal pressure measurement, and outline the role for EUS in the management of GI bleeding and vascular pseudoaneurysms.

9:00 am Panel Discussion / Q & A

9:20 am Break / Visit the Exhibit Hall

OR

SESSION 6B: CASE-BASED SESSION
Moderator: Anne G. Tuskey, MD, FACP

8:00 am Approach to Cholestatic Liver Disease
Matthew J. Stotts, MD
Outline a practical approach to the work-up of cholestatic liver disease.

8:20 am Friday Afternoon Triage: The IBD Flare
Esteban J. Figueroa, MD
Formulate appropriate questions to aid in triage and first-line management of IBD patients reporting flare symptoms.

8:40 am Management of Gas and Bloating
Jeanetta W. Frye, MD
Review clinical pearls for the management of symptomatic gas and bloating.

9:00 am Panel Discussion / Q & A

9:20 am Refreshment Break / Visit the Exhibit Hall

9:50 am Managing Your Brand in the Era of Social Media
Mark B. Pochapin, MD, FACP
Describe strategies for using social media to effectively establish your brand and market your practice.

SESSION 7: GASTROINTESTINAL BLEEDING SYMPOSIUM
Moderator: Jeffrey P. LaFond, MD

10:10 am Management of Anticoagulants in Acute Bleeding
Vivek Kaul, MD, FACP
Discuss the safe management of anticoagulants before and after endoscopy for acute bleeding.

10:30 am Updates on Nonvariceal Upper GI Bleeding
George B. Smallfield, MD, MSPH
Compare the newer techniques and therapies to control nonvariceal GI bleeding.

10:50 am Management of Gastric and Ectopic Varices
Zachary H. Henry, MD
Outline the standard and state-of-the-art treatment options for the management of gastric and ectopic varices.

11:10 am Panel Discussion / Q & A

11:30 am Course Wrap-Up and Take-Away Points
Anne G. Tuskey, MD, FACP, and Jeffrey P. LaFond, MD

11:50 am Course Adjourns
PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

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 assessment and treatment options for HCV and HBV infections. Participating in this educational activity will also enable learners to analyze the challenges of treating patients with NAFLD, alcoholic liver disease, autoimmune hepatitis, alpha-1-antitrypsin deficiency and Wilson’s disease, fibrosis, cirrhosis, hepatic encephalopathy, acute liver failure, hepatocellular carcinoma, PBC, PSC and other cholestatic liver disorders, and hematologic disorders related to liver disease. 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, nurse practitioners, and other members of the GI patient care team interested in the latest information on liver diseases and state-of-the-art treatment of these illnesses.

ACG / VGS / ODSGNA 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 often faced in clinical practice and addresses management updates in a variety of gastrointestinal and hepatic areas. This course will explore multiple areas, including the upper GI tract, small bowel and nutrition, pancreas-biliary, liver, IBD, endoscopy, and GI bleeding, and will include a case-based session. 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.

This program is designed for gastroenterologists, primary care physicians, nurses, physician assistants, nurse practitioners, and other members of the GI patient care team interested in the latest information on diagnostic GI and state-of-the-art treatment of GI illnesses.

REGISTER ONLINE: MEETINGS.GI.ORG
REGISTRATION INFORMATION

There are separate registration fees for ACG’s Hepatology School and the ACG / VGS / ODSGNA 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 Regional Postgraduate Course attendees, and refreshment breaks. 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 **August 9, 2021**. No refunds will be given after this date.

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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.

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 8.5 Medical Knowledge 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.
ACG / VGS / ODSGNA Regional Postgraduate Course

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, the Virginia Gastroenterological Society, and the Old Dominion Society of Gastroenterology Nurses and Associates. The American College of Gastroenterology is accredited by the ACCME to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

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Nursing Credits

This educational activity has been submitted to the Society of Gastroenterology Nurses and Associates, Inc., for approval. The Society of Gastroenterology Nurses and Associates, Inc., is accredited as an approver of continuing nursing education by the American Nurses Credentialing Center’s Commission on Accreditation.
HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

Both programs will be held at the Williamsburg Lodge Autograph Collection Hotel. Rooms are available at the Williamsburg Lodge and the Woodlands Hotel and Suites. Please note there is no shuttle service between the Woodlands Hotel and the Williamsburg Lodge. Reservations for both hotels can be made by visiting https://book.passkey.com/go/5d00e794 or by calling 1-800-261-9530 (8:30 am-5:00 pm, Eastern Time, Monday-Friday). The special meeting rate per night at the Williamsburg Lodge is $209 for a Standard Room. The special meeting rate per night at the Woodlands Hotel and Suites is $134 for a Standard Room. Taxes of 12% and a $2 per room, per night, occupancy fee are not included. **Reservations must be made by August 9, 2021** in order to receive the special discounted meeting rate. Only a certain number of rooms are available at these rates 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. All major credit cards are accepted. Individual deposits are refundable, provided notice of cancellation is received by the Lodge by 5:00 pm, Eastern Time, at least seven business days prior to the reserved date of arrival. Check-in time is 4:00 pm. Check-out time is 11:00 am. The Williamsburg Lodge is located at 310 South England Street in the Historic Area of Williamsburg. The Woodlands Hotel and Suites is located at the Visitor Center for Colonial Williamsburg at 105 Visitor Center Drive.

Complimentary WiFi is available in guest rooms and meeting rooms. Complimentary self-parking is offered to all conference attendees. Hotel guests may access the free Colonial Williamsburg shuttle bus service throughout the Historic Area and Merchants Square.

MORE INFORMATION

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

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