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JOIN COLLEAGUES IN NASHVILLE FOR ACG'S 1-DAY HEPATOLOGY SCHOOL AND WEEKEND SOUTHERN REGIONAL POSTGRADUATE COURSE.

Both programs will take place at the Renaissance Hotel, ideally located within walking distance of many of Music City's points of interest, including Bridgestone Arena, the Ryman Auditorium, Assembly Food Hall, and more. Whether you are a sports fan, a music lover, or a foodie, there is a wide variety of things to see and do in this exciting city.

➔ For more on what there is to see and do in Nashville, please visit visitmusiccity.com.



WHO SHOULD ATTEND

BRING YOUR WHOLE PRACTICE! This program was 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.

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PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

ACG's Hepatology School

Led by Course Directors Paul Y. Kwo, MD, FACP, Nancy S. Reau, MD, FACP, and Mitchell L. Shiffman, MD, MACG, ACG's Hepatology School is a day-long interactive educational program combining immersion in hepatology and a clinical update on new therapeutic and monitoring approaches. 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 MASLD, alcohol and non-alcohol-associated liver disease, MET-ALD, primary biliary and primary sclerosing cholangitis, cholestasis, upper GI bleeding and acute kidney injury in cirrhosis, and more. The structure of the program includes a mix of didactic presentations and case-based presentations delivered by expert faculty.

Southern Regional Postgraduate Course

Led by Course Directors Brenda J. Hoffman, MD, FACP and Steven L. Carpenter, MD, FACP, the Southern Regional Postgraduate Course, offered on Saturday and Sunday, December 6-7 will explore areas that gastroenterologists often face in clinical practice and address management updates in a variety of gastrointestinal and hepatic areas. This course will cover multiple topics, including colon, upper GI, liver, endoscopic urgencies, eosinophilic esophagitis, IBD, biliary cannulation tips and tricks, small bowel bleeding, and more. This program offers a mixture of didactic presentations delivered by expert faculty, case presentations, and significant question-and-answer opportunities, as well as a Saturday afternoon hands-on workshop session.



A special Product Theater presentation hosted by Regeneron will be offered on Saturday at 5:30 pm, titled "Transform the Way You Manage Eosinophilic Esophagitis (EoE) in Adult Patients."

Industry-sponsored programs provide additional educational opportunities for attendees. These programs are independent of the ACG programs. ACG is not the continuing medical education provider of these programs. For more information, see the company sponsor.

COURSE DIRECTORS:



PAUL Y. KWOW, MD, FACP



NANCY S. REAU, MD, FACP



MITCHELL L. SHIFFMAN, MD, MACG

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2025

8:00 am Welcome and Introductions
Paul Y. Kwo, MD, FACP, Nancy S. Reau, MD, FACP, and Mitchell L. Shiffman, MD, MACG

SESSION 1: Steatotic Liver Disease

Moderator: Nancy S. Reau, MD, FACP

8:10 am MASLD: Where Are We Now and What Does the Future Hold?
Nadege T. Gunn, MD
 Discuss prevalence of metabolic dysfunction-associated steatotic liver disease and current and future therapy.

8:30 am MET-ALD: Is This Really a Different Disease?
Paul Y. Kwo, MD, FACP
 Describe new diagnostic criteria and why recognition is important.

8:50 am Non-ALD, Non-MASLD: Is There Such a Diagnosis?
Julia J. Wattacheril, MD, MPH
 Explain the differential diagnosis of steatosis.

9:10 am Help! I Have Fatty Liver!
Allison Moser, MSN, RN, FNP-BC
 Illustrate how to integrate guidelines in the evaluation of hepatic steatosis.

9:30 am Q & A / Panel Discussion

9:50 am Break/ Visit Exhibit Hall

SESSION 2: Viral Hepatitis

Moderator: Mitchell L. Shiffman, MD, MACG

10:10 am Hepatitis B: Is a Cure Possible?
Paul Y. Kwo, MD, FACP
 Discuss the definition of HBV cure as well as therapies in development.

10:30 am Hepatitis C: Why Am I Still Talking About This Curable Virus?
Enrique J. Martinez, MD
 Summarize where we are in the quest toward HCV elimination.

10:50 am Pregnancy and Viral Hepatitis: Treat or Not to Treat?
Nancy S. Reau, MD, FACP
 Discuss management of hepatitis B and hepatitis C during pregnancy.



11:10 am It's Not HBV or HCV... What Else Is There?

Arun B. Jesudian, MD, FACG

Outline an approach to increased liver enzymes from non-B/C hepatitis.

11:30 am Q & A / Panel Discussion

11:50 am Break – Lunch Provided

12:20 pm Working Lunch: Case Discussion With the Faculty

Mitchell L. Shiffman, MD, MACG with Allison Moser, MSN, RN, FNP-BC, and Hannah P. Kim, MD

Discuss autoimmune hepatitis, acute liver failure/acute liver injury, elevated liver tests in the ICU, and evaluation of liver masses.

SESSION 3: Cholestatic Liver Disease

Moderator: Paul Y. Kwo, MD, FACG

1:20 pm PBC: The Goal Posts Are Changing

Allison Moser, MSN, RN, FNP-BC

Describe the changing definitions of treatment efficacy in primary biliary cholangitis and how to use newly approved therapy.

1:50 pm PSC: Will There Ever Be a Therapy?

Arun B. Jesudian, MD, FACG

Discuss current and future treatment options for primary sclerosing cholangitis.

2:10 pm Cholestasis and QOL: I'm so Itchy I Can't Stand It

Hannah P. Kim, MD

Identify tools to measure itching from cholestasis and therapies to control the condition.

2:30 pm The ALP Is High but the AMA Is Negative!

Mitchell L. Shiffman, MD, MACG

Illustrate how to evaluate patients with high ALP but a negative AMA and describe the next appropriate steps.

2:50 pm Q & A / Panel Discussion

3:10 pm Break / Visit Exhibit Hall

SESSION 4: Complications of Cirrhosis

Moderator: Nancy S. Reau, MD, FACG

3:30 pm UGI Bleeding in Cirrhosis: What Do We Do if Banding Fails?

Hannah P. Kim, MD

Discuss options for refractory upper GI bleeding from esophageal varices.

3:50 pm AKI in Liver Disease: When Is it HRS?

Hetal A. Karsan, MD, FACG

Describe the new definitions for acute kidney injury in cirrhosis and hepatorenal syndrome and current management strategies.

4:10 pm I Want My Ammonia Checked! When Is Measuring NH₃ Actually Useful?

Enrique J. Martinez, MD

Explain the role of ammonia in patients with confusion, hepatic encephalopathy, and liver disease.

4:30 pm Please Build My Muscle Mass: ESLD and Sarcopenia

Nadege T. Gunn, MD

Identify end-stage liver disease patients at risk for sarcopenia along with management strategies.

4:50 pm Q & A / Panel Discussion

5:10 pm Course Wrap-Up

Paul Y. Kwo, MD, FACG, Nancy S. Reau, MD, FACG, and Mitchell L. Shiffman, MD, MACG

5:30 pm Course Adjourns



COURSE DIRECTORS:



STEVEN L. CARPENTER, MD, FACP



BRENDA J. HOFFMAN, MD, FACP

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2025

- 7:00 am Registration and Continental Breakfast in the Exhibit Hall
- 7:50 am Welcome and Introductions
Steven L. Carpenter, MD, FACP, and Brenda J. Hoffman, MD, FACP

SESSION 1: Colon

Moderator: Renee L. Williams, MD, MHPE, FACP

- 8:00 am **Colon Cancer Screening: Surveillance and Quality**
David A. Greenwald, MD, FACP
Identify means to improve colon cancer screening performance and quality.
- 8:20 am **Disparities in Colon Cancer Screening and Solutions**
Renee L. Williams, MD, MHPE, FACP
Discuss colon cancer screening outcomes in various populations.

- 8:40 am **Liquid Biopsy for Average-Risk Colorectal Cancer Screening**
Uri Ladabaum, MD
Recognize the potential role of “liquid biopsy” in colon cancer screening.
- 9:00 am **Constipation: Pharmacologic and Alternative Therapies**
Brooks D. Cash, MD, FACP
Compare different medications and alternative modalities, including dietary and lifestyle modifications, to treat constipation.
- 9:20 am **Panel Discussion / Q & A**
- 9:40 am **Break / Visit Exhibit Hall**

SESSION 2: Upper GI

Moderator: Baharak Moshiree, MD, MSc, FACP

- 10:00 am **Emerging Concepts Regarding Esophageal Manometry and Esophageal Motility Disorders**
David A. Katzka, MD, FACP
Identify patterns in esophageal motility disorders.
- 10:20 am **Diagnosis and Treatment of Gastroparesis**
Baharak Moshiree, MD, MSc, FACP
Differentiate dietary, medical, and endoscopic evidence-based therapies for gastroparesis.

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10:40 am Difficulties With GERD: Non-Erosive Reflux, PCABs, and LPR

Michael F. Vaezi, MD, PhD, MSc(Epi), MACG

Differentiate appropriate testing methods in the diagnosis of laryngopharyngeal reflux.

11:00 am The Role of Neuromodulators in the Management of Esophageal and Gastric DGBI

Amol Sharma, MD, MSc, FACG

Discuss the role of neuromodulators in the treatment of dyspepsia and refractory esophageal DGBI.

11:20 am Panel Discussion / Q & A

11:40 am Break / Lunch Provided

Saturday Working Lunch

12:10 pm Guide to the Guidelines

Hetal A. Karsan, MD, FACG

Improve confidence in clinical practice and the ability to provide high quality care to patients.

SESSION 3: Liver

Moderator: Nikhilesh R. Mazumder, MD, MPH

12:40 pm MASLD Update

Vincent L. Chen, MD, MS

Describe medical and surgical weight loss management strategies in MASLD.

1:00 pm Ascites and Renal Disorders in Cirrhosis

Nikhilesh R. Mazumder, MD, MPH

Recognize the indications and contraindications for TIPS in ascites management.

1:20 pm Alcoholic Hepatitis Update

Hannah P. Kim, MD

Analyze the role of transplant in alcoholic hepatitis.

1:40 pm Liver Transplantation in 2025: What Does the Gastroenterologist Need to Know?

Nancy S. Reau, MD, FACG

Assess the contribution of continuous renal replacement therapy in potential liver transplant patients.

2:00 pm Panel Discussion / Q & A

2:30 pm Break / Dessert in the Exhibit Hall



SATURDAY AFTERNOON PRESENTATIONS / HANDS-ON WORKSHOP SESSIONS*:

**Hands-On workshops do not offer CME.*

3:00 pm Practical Approaches to Hospital-Based Endoscopic Urgencies 🗨️ or 🖐️ **Hands-On**
Andy Tau, MD
 Differentiate various endoscopic strategies to manage complex inpatient GI disorders.

3:50 pm Incorporating Advanced Practice Providers Into Your Clinical Practice 🗨️ or 🖐️ **Hands-On**
Sarah M. Enslin, PA-C
 Explain the role of advanced practice providers in enhancing GI disease management.

4:40 pm Management of Eosinophilic Esophagitis 🗨️ or 🖐️ **Hands-On**
Evan S. Dellon, MD, MPH, FACG
 Evaluate the role of endoscopy and various medications in treating eosinophilic esophagitis.

5:30 pm Course Adjourns for the Day

HANDS-ON WORKSHOPS SESSIONS

Attendees will have the opportunity to participate in Hands-On Workshop sessions 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 Saturday afternoon presentations. **There are limited spaces available.**



Regional Course Workshop Director:
 Jodie A. Barkin, MD, FACG

5 hands-on stations will be offered:

- ✓EMR/Polypectomy
- ✓Defect Closure
- ✓Hemostasis
- ✓Foreign Body Removal
- ✓Hemorrhoid Banding

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2025

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

7:55 am **Welcome and Announcements**
Steven L. Carpenter, MD, FACG,
and Brenda J. Hoffman, MD, FACG

SESSION 4: IBD

Moderator: Dawn B. Beaulieu, MD, FACG

8:00 am **Update on Crohn's Disease**
Gary R. Lichtenstein, MD, FACG
Evaluate the role of various emerging pharmacologics in Crohn's disease management.

8:20 am **Update on Ulcerative Colitis**
Dawn B. Beaulieu, MD, FACG
Discuss the role of emerging medications in the treatment of ulcerative colitis.

8:40 am **Update on Pouchitis**
Baldeep S. Pabla, MD
Distinguish secondary from primary pouchitis.

9:00 am **Personalized Medicine: How to Manage IBD Medications**
David T. Rubin, MD, FACG
Identify how personalized medicine may determine inflammatory bowel disease therapy.

9:20 am **Panel Discussion / Q & A**

9:40 am **Break / Visit Exhibit Hall**

SESSION 5: Endoscopy

Moderator: Field F. Willingham, MD, MPH

10:00 am **Difficulties With Biliary Cannulation: Tips and Tricks**
Amrita Sethi, MD
Evaluate various solutions to difficult biliary cannulation.

10:20 am **Management of Refractory Esophageal Strictures (and EoE)**
Field F. Willingham, MD, MPH
Differentiate endoscopic strategies to treat refractory esophageal strictures.

10:40 am **Update in Diagnosis and Management of Small Bowel Bleeding**
Cameron B. Wilhoit, MD
Recognize the potential causes of occult gastrointestinal bleeding and define means of diagnosis and treatment.

11:00 am **Polypectomy: Managing Larger Lesions**
Mohammad Bilal, MD, FACG
Judge various polypectomy methods to manage large colorectal polyps.

11:20 am **Panel Discussion / Q & A**

11:40 am **Course Wrap-Up and Take-Away Points**
Steven L. Carpenter, MD, FACG, and
Brenda J. Hoffman, MD, FACG

11:50 am **Course Adjourns**

REGISTER ONLINE TODAY!

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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 Hepatology School attendees, lunch on Saturday for Southern Regional Course attendees, and refreshment breaks. All registrants must pay the full registration fee; partial registration is unavailable. A full refund of registration fees will be given, less a \$25 administrative fee, if written notice of cancellation is received by ACG on **November 6, 2025**. No refunds will be given after this date. Attendees must register online at meetings.gi.org.

ACG'S HEPATOLOGY SCHOOL		
ACG MEMBER TYPE	EARLY BIRD (On or Before 11/6)	FEE (After 11/6)
Physician	\$125	\$175
Resident / Trainee / Candidate	\$125	\$175
Associate / Advanced Practice Provider	\$125	\$175
Medical Student	\$25	\$25
NON-MEMBER TYPE		
Physician / PharmD / PhD / Guest	\$175	\$225
Resident / Trainee	\$175	\$225
NP / PA / Allied Health (RN, LPN)	\$175	\$225
Medical Student	\$50	\$50

SOUTHERN REGIONAL POSTGRADUATE COURSE		
ACG MEMBER TYPE	EARLY BIRD (On or Before 11/6)	FEE (After 11/6)
Physician	\$449	\$499
Resident / Trainee / Candidate	\$179	\$254
Associate / Advanced Practice Provider	\$289	\$364
Medical Student	\$25	\$25
NON-MEMBER TYPE		
Physician / PharmD / PhD / Guest	\$549	\$599
Resident / Trainee	\$229	\$304
NP / PA / Allied Health (RN, LPN)	\$349	\$424
Medical Student	\$50	\$50

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.



ACCREDITATION / CME / MOC:

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.



Successful completion of this CME activity, which includes participation in the evaluation component, enables the participant to earn up to 8.25 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.

Southern Regional Postgraduate Course

The American College of Gastroenterology designates this live activity for a maximum of 11.5 *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 11.5 Medical Knowledge 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.

ACCOMMODATIONS

Both programs will be held at the Renaissance Nashville Hotel located at 611 Commerce Street, Nashville, TN 37203. To make your hotel reservation, you may book online or call 1-877-901-6632. The special meeting rate is \$299 per night plus tax (currently 16.25% local tax and \$2.50 state tax).

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TO BOOK ONLINE



Reservations must be made by 5:00 pm CT on Thursday, November 6, 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.

MORE INFORMATION

For more information about these programs, 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 (please indicate any dietary needs on the registration form) should contact the ACG office by email at registration@gi.org no later than **Thursday, November 6, 2025**.





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