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JOIN COLLEAGUES IN LAS VEGAS FOR ACG'S 1-DAY FUNCTIONAL GI & MOTILITY DISORDERS SCHOOL AND WEEKEND WESTERN REGIONAL POSTGRADUATE COURSE.

Both programs will take place at world-famous Mandalay Bay which offers luxurious accommodations, over a dozen restaurants, shopping, and exciting casino action. The venue is located on the Las Vegas Strip, where additional dining and entertainment options are a short walk away. Take a long weekend and earn CME and MOC while enjoying a little rest and relaxation after a busy holiday season.

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PROGRAM DESCRIPTIONS

ACG's Functional GI & Motility Disorders School

Led by Gregory S. Sayuk, MD, MPH, FACG, and Joan W. Chen, MD, MS, this one-day program will review current goals of therapy and management strategies for IBS, utilizing the ACG clinical guideline for the management of irritable bowel syndrome as a primary resource. As part of a comprehensive approach to determining and assessing ways to improve communication, diagnosis, and management of patients with IBS, and other disorders of gut-brain interaction, the Functional GI & Motility Disorders School program will have a direct impact on clinicians.

Western Regional Postgraduate Course

Led by Course Directors Aaron S. Goldberg, MD, FACG, and Pooja Singhal, MD, FACG, the Western Regional Postgraduate Course, offered on Saturday and Sunday, February 6-7, will explore areas the gastroenterologist often faces in clinical practice and addresses management updates in a variety of gastrointestinal and hepatic areas. During this course, multiple topic areas will be covered including esophageal, stomach, and small bowel disorders, CRC prevention and anorectal disorders, IBD, hepatology, a special talk on gastroenterologist as metabolic health specialist, practice management topics, and much more. The structure of the program includes a mix 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.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

Bring your whole practice and join colleagues at ACG's Functional GI and Motility Disorders School & ACG Western Regional Postgraduate Course. This program was developed specifically for gastroenterologists, gastroenterology trainees, primary care physicians, nurses, nurse practitioners, physician assistants, pharmacists, and other members of the GI patient care team.



COURSE DIRECTORS:



JOAN W. CHEN, MD, MS



GREGORY S. SAYUK, MD, MPH, FACP

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2027

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

7:50 am **Welcome and Introductions**
Joan W. Chen, MD, MS, and
Gregory S. Sayuk, MD, MPH, FACP

SESSION 1: Decoding Disorders of Gut-Brain Interaction (DGBI)

Moderator: Joan W. Chen, MD, MS

8:00 am **ROME V Revealed: What's New, What's Next?**
Gregory S. Sayuk, MD, MPH, FACP
 Discuss the changes between the ROME IV and ROME V criteria, identify updates to the nomenclature and diagnostics, and explain why these changes are important.

8:20 am **Dealing With Gastroduodenal Disorders**
David J. Cangemi, MD, FACP
 Review an evidence-based approach to the management of functional dyspepsia, including the epigastric pain and post-prandial distress variants, as well as chronic nausea and vomiting disorders.

8:40 am **From Lyon to ROME—Global Guidance for Functional Esophageal Disorders**
C. Prakash Gyawali, MD, MRCP, FACP
 Summarize the current consensus guidelines on the evaluation and management of functional esophageal symptoms, with an emphasis on practical application in the clinical setting.

9:00 am **Q & A / Panel Discussion**

SESSION 2: Elusive Esophageal Entities

Moderator: Joan W. Chen, MD, MS

9:20 am **The Eosinophil Uprising: The Latest on EoE and Beyond**
Kristle L. Lynch, MD
 Discuss the current guideline-based EoE therapies and review future emerging therapies.

9:40 am **Venting Frustrations: Supragastric Belching and Retrograde Cricopharyngeus Dysfunction (R-CPD)**
C. Prakash Gyawali, MD, MRCP, FACP
 Review the clinical features and diagnostic evaluation of supragastric belching and R-CPD, with confident recognition of objective findings on tests and the implementation of targeted treatment strategies.

10:00 am **Mastering Esophageal Motility: More Than Achalasia**
Joan W. Chen, MD, MS
 Describe current classification schemes, diagnostic approaches, and evidence-based management of non-achalasia esophageal motility disorders.

10:20 am **Q & A / Panel Discussion**

10:40 am **Break/Visit Exhibits**

SESSION 3: Intestinal Intolerances

Moderator: Gregory S. Sayuk, MD, MPH, FACP

11:00 am **Reining in Refractory Celiac Disease**
Amy S. Oxentenko, MD, MACG
 Define refractory celiac disease (RCD) and differentiate between Type 1 and Type 2 classifications, and evaluate current evidence-based management strategies, including nutritional support, immunosuppressive therapies, and emerging treatments.

11:20 am Bubble Trouble: Abdominal Distention and Bloating*Andrea S. Shin, MD, MSCR*

Clarify the mechanistic underpinnings, clinical implications, classification, and challenges in the management approach to abdominal bloating and distention.

11:40 am A Dietary Roadmap to IBS Relief: Going Further Than FODMAP*Shanti L. Eswaran, MD, FACG*

Explain the principles of dietary management in DGBI, with an emphasis on IBS, and define the rationale, phases, and clinical evidence behind low FODMAP and other focused diets to provide both symptom relief and responsible, nutritionally-sound guidance.

12:00 pm Q & A / Panel Discussion**12:20 pm Break / Lunch Provided****1:20 pm Keynote Lecture: Sex, Gender, and DGBI***Lin Chang, MD, FACG*

Evaluate current evidence on sex- and gender-related differences in gut-brain interactions and apply these insights to individualized care for patients with DGBI.

SESSION 4: Challenging Clinical Cases in Motility and DGBI: Expert Panel Discussions*Moderator: Gregory S. Sayuk, MD, MPH, FACG***1:50 pm "I Am Afraid to Eat!"***Moderator: Joy J. Liu, MD*

Panelists: Amy S. Oxentenko, MD, MACG, and C. Prakash Gyawali, MD, MRCP, FACG

Provide an overview of diagnostic approaches and evidence-based strategies for the management of foregut symptoms, including medications and dietary approaches, as well as as therapeutic interventions in a case-based format.

2:15 pm "I Can't Move My Bowels, and I Am Miserable"*Moderator: Gregory S. Sayuk, MD, MPH, FACG*

Panelists: Lin Chang, MD, FACG; Amy S. Oxentenko, MD, MACG; and Shanti L. Eswaran, MD, FACG

Develop and implement a diagnostic strategy as well as a tailored, multi-modal management plan for chronic bowel symptoms incorporating pharmacologic agents, behavioral approaches, and therapeutic modalities beyond standard therapies.

2:40 pm "I Am Not Able to Swallow, and I'm Losing Weight"*Moderator: Joan W. Chen, MD, MS*

Panelists: Kristle L. Lynch, MD, and C. Prakash Gyawali, MD, MRCP, FACG

Discuss the advantages and disadvantages of esophageal physiological testing modalities, the appropriate use of these diagnostic tools in patients, their relationship to esophageal symptoms, and optimal treatment strategies based on the objective test findings.

3:05 pm Break / Visit Exhibits**SESSION 5: GI PHARMACOLOGIC POTPOURRI***Moderator: Joan W. Chen, MD, MS***3:30 pm Individualized Approaches to Neuromodulators in DGBI***Gregory S. Sayuk, MD, MPH, FACG*

Implement safe and effective strategies using neuromodulator regimens in DGBI, tailoring treatment selections to individual patients in order to improve clinical outcomes.

3:50 pm Where Do PCABs Fit Into the Management of GERD?*Joan W. Chen, MD, MS*

Outline the unique pharmacologic characteristics of potassium-competitive acid blockers (PCABs), and define patient scenarios which might dictate selection of PCABs over PPIs.

4:10 pm GLP-1s: What GI Providers Need to Know*Joy J. Liu, MD*

Understand the GI mechanisms of GLP-1 receptor agonists, including the effects on gastric emptying, appetite regulation, and bowel function, and apply this knowledge to optimize GI patient care with these agents.

4:30 pm Q & A / Panel Discussion**4:50 pm Course Wrap-Up and Take-Away Points**

Joan W. Chen, MD, MS, and Gregory S. Sayuk, MD, MPH, FACG

5:00 pm Course Adjourns

COURSE DIRECTORS:



AARON S. GOLDBERG, MD, FACG



POOJA SINGHAL, MD, FACG

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2027

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

7:40 am Welcome and Introductions
Aaron S. Goldberg, MD, FACG, and Pooja Singhal, MD, FACG

SESSION 1: Esophagus

Moderator: Sachin B. Wani, MD

7:50 am GERD: The Great Mimicker
Katarina B. Greer, MD, MS Epi
Develop a systematic approach to distinguishing reflux-related cough and hoarseness from other pulmonary and otolaryngologic disorders.

8:10 am Barrett's Esophagus: Practical Management in the Community Setting
Sachin B. Wani, MD
Implement guideline-based strategies for the diagnosis, surveillance, and treatment of Barrett's esophagus in everyday clinical practice.

8:30 am The EoE Consult: Common Questions and Evidence-Based Answers

Amanda B. Muir, MD, MTR
Apply current evidence-based strategies to diagnose, monitor, and manage eosinophilic esophagitis in clinical practice.

8:50 am Difficult Dysphagia: Common Pitfalls and Clinical Pearls

Allon Kahn, MD, FACG
Discuss clinical pearls and emerging diagnostic techniques to improve outcomes in patients with difficult dysphagia.

9:10 am Q & A / Panel Discussion

SESSION 2: Stomach and Small Bowel

Moderator: Shabana F. Pasha, MD, FACG

9:30 am Iron Deficiency Anemia: When the Double Is Negative

Shabana F. Pasha, MD, FACG
Incorporate current guideline recommendations into the diagnosis and management of small bowel bleeding.

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9:50 am The Gastric Grind: A Practical Approach to *H. pylori*, Intestinal Metaplasia, and Polyps

Shailja C. Shah, MD, MPH

Apply current evidence to diagnose, risk stratify, and manage *H. pylori*, gastric intestinal metaplasia, and gastric polyps.

10:10 am Upper GI Bleeding: Endoscopic Management and Pearls

V. Raman Muthusamy, MD, MAS, FACG

Implement evidence-based strategies for the evaluation and endoscopic management of upper gastrointestinal bleeding.

10:30 am Q & A / Panel Discussion

10:50 am Break / Visit Exhibits

SESSION 3: Colon

Moderator: Aaron S. Goldberg, MD, FACG

11:10 am Colorectal Cancer Prevention: Who to Screen and How to Screen Well

Aaron S. Goldberg, MD, FACG

Apply colonoscopy quality metrics and current evidence on early-onset colorectal cancer to optimize prevention.

11:30 am Not All Colitis Is IBD

Tauseef Ali, MD, FACG

Differentiate and manage common non-IBD colitides, including immune checkpoint inhibitor colitis, microscopic colitis, and SCAD.

11:50 am Benign Anorectal Disease: The Bottom Line

Satish S. C. Rao, MD, PhD, MACG

Implement practical strategies for evaluating and managing benign anorectal disease in clinical care.

12:10 pm Q & A / Panel Discussion

12:30 pm Break / Lunch Provided

1:30 pm Break / Dessert in the Exhibit Hall



SATURDAY AFTERNOON PRESENTATIONS / HANDS-ON WORKSHOP SESSIONS*

*Hands-On Workshop sessions do not offer CME.

1:50 pm Optimizing Your Endoscopy Unit: The Power of Physician-Administrator Collaboration
Robyn Dove, MPH, BSN, RN, CGRN, and Pooja Singhal, MD, FACP
 Develop collaborative strategies to improve endoscopy unit utilization, operational efficiency, and patient access.

👤 or 🤖 Hands-On Workshop Session

2:40 pm Year in Review: Practice-Changing Studies and Guidelines
Allon Kahn, MD, FACP, and Hugo E. Vargas, MD, FACP
 Identify recent key studies in gastroenterology and hepatology and their impact on clinical practice.

👤 or 🤖 Hands-On Workshop Session

3:30 pm Challenging Cases in Billing and Coding – Avoiding Common Pitfalls to Maximize Collections

Kathy A. Mueller, RN, CPC, CCS-P, QMC, QMGC, ICD-10 Proficient

Apply current billing and coding regulations to commonly encountered clinical scenarios to improve your revenue and avoid penalties.

👤 or 🤖 Hands-On Workshop Session

4:20 pm The Gastroenterologist as a Metabolic Health Specialist: Expanding Our Role Beyond the Endoscopy Suite

Pooja Singhal, MD, FACP

Identify the impact of metabolic dysfunction on gastrointestinal and liver diseases and the evolving role of gastroenterologists in treatment.

👤 or 🤖 Hands-On Workshop Session

5:05 pm High Yield Review by Course Directors

Aaron S. Goldberg, MD, FACP, and Pooja Singhal, MD, FACP

5:25 pm Course Adjourns for the Day



HANDS-ON WORKSHOP 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 general presentations on Saturday afternoon.

There are limited spaces available.

Regional Course Workshop Directors: Julie Yang, MD, FACP, and Sofiya Reicher, MD, FACP

6 hands-on stations will be offered:

- ✓ EMR/Polypectomy
- ✓ Hemostasis
- ✓ Mucosal Ablation: RFA
- ✓ Endosuturing
- ✓ Foreign Body Removal
- ✓ Hemorrhoid Banding

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2027

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

7:40 am Welcome and Announcements
Aaron S. Goldberg, MD, FACG, and Pooja Singhal, MD, FACG

SESSION 4: Inflammatory Bowel Disease

Moderator: Tauseef Ali, MD, FACG

7:45 am Ulcerative Colitis: Positioning Advanced Therapies
Tauseef Ali, MD, FACG
 Develop practical strategies for choosing and sequencing advanced therapies in patients with moderate-to-severe ulcerative colitis.

8:05 am Treat-to-Target in Crohn's Disease: Beyond Symptom Control
Anita Afzali, MD, MPH, MHCM, FACG
 Utilize biomarkers, endoscopy, and therapeutic monitoring to optimize disease control and long-term outcomes.

8:25 am IBD in Special Populations and Health Maintenance: Pregnancy, Aging, and Cancer
Elizabeth R. Paine, MD, FACG
 Recognize unique challenges and optimize therapeutic management of IBD in pregnant, elderly, and oncology patients and explain evidence-based preventive care strategies, including vaccination, cancer screening, bone health, and infection risk management, to optimize outcomes in patients with IBD.

8:45 am Q & A / Panel Discussion

9:05 am Break / Visit the Exhibit Hall

SESSION 5: Hepatology

Moderator: Norah A. Terrault, MD, MPH, FACG

9:25 am The Elevated Liver Enzyme Consult: What Comes Next?
Hugo E. Vargas, MD, FACG
 Develop an efficient diagnostic strategy to identify common and uncommon causes of elevated liver enzymes.

9:45 am MASLD Decoded: Risk, Fibrosis, and Treatment

Norah A. Terrault, MD, MPH, FACG
 Explain a practical approach to risk assessment, fibrosis staging, and treatment selection in patients with MASLD.

10:05 am The Liver Lesion Detective

Reena J. Salgia, MD
 Identify a practical approach to the work-up and management of incidental liver lesions encountered in clinical practice.

10:25 am Can We Skip the Scope? BAVENO VII and Variceal Screening

Anahita Rabiee, MD, MHS
 Recognize patients at risk for clinically significant portal hypertension and implement evidence-based screening and prevention strategies.

10:45 am Q & A / Panel Discussion

SESSION 6: Pancreas and Biliary

Moderator: Douglas G. Adler, MD, FACG

11:05 am Pancreatic Cysts: Diagnosis, Surveillance, and When to Stop

Tamas Gonda, MD
 Define evidence-based strategies for pancreatic cyst diagnosis and surveillance, including criteria for discontinuation of follow-up.

11:25 am Biliary Dilemmas in Routine Practice

Douglas G. Adler, MD, FACG
 Evaluate and manage biliary ductal abnormalities, including dilation, obstruction, and indeterminate strictures, using a systematic clinical approach.

11:45 am Q & A / Panel Discussion

12:05 pm Course Wrap-Up and Take-Away Points

Aaron S. Goldberg, MD, FACG, and Pooja Singhal, MD, FACG

12:10 pm Course Adjourns

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

There are separate registration fees for ACG's Functional GI & Motility Disorders School and the Western Regional Postgraduate Course. The registration fee for each course includes admission to all sessions, continental breakfasts, lunch on Friday for ACG's Functional GI & Motility Disorders School attendees, lunch on Saturday for Western 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 **January 11, 2027**. No refunds will be given after this date. Attendees must register online at meetings.gi.org.

ACG'S FUNCTIONAL GI & MOTILITY DISORDERS SCHOOL		
ACG MEMBER TYPE	EARLY BIRD (On or Before 1/11)	FEE (After 1/11)
Physician	\$125	\$175
Resident / Trainee / Candidate	\$75	\$125
Associate / Advanced Practice Provider	\$125	\$175
Medical Student	\$25	\$25
NON-MEMBER TYPE		
Physician / PharmD / PhD / Guest	\$175	\$225
Resident / Trainee	\$100	\$150
NP / PA / Allied Health (RN, LPN)	\$175	\$225
Medical Student	\$50	\$50

WESTERN REGIONAL POSTGRADUATE COURSE		
ACG MEMBER TYPE	EARLY BIRD (On or Before 1/11)	FEE (After 1/11)
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. **(NOTE: A printed syllabus will not be provided.)**



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 Functional GI & Motility Disorders School

The American College of Gastroenterology designates this live activity for a maximum of 7.5 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 7.5 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.

Western Regional Postgraduate Course

The American College of Gastroenterology designates this live activity for a maximum of 12 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 12 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 courses will be held at the Mandalay Bay Resort located at 3950 S. Las Vegas Blvd., Las Vegas, NV 89119. Check-in is 3:00 pm; check-out is 11:00 am.

✓ To make your hotel reservation, visit <https://book.passkey.com/e/51262273>. Special meeting room rates per night are \$148 plus tax (currently 13.38%). A discounted daily resort fee of \$45 is included in the rate. The resort fee includes wireless internet in the guest rooms and meeting space, unlimited local, domestic long distance, and toll-free calls, access to Paramount+ and SHOWTIME On-Demand via in-room television, airline boarding pass printing, digital newspaper and magazine access, and fitness center access for guests 18 years of age or older. Reservations must be made by **January 11, 2027** 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 upon reservation. All major credit cards are accepted. Cancellations made within 72-hours of check-in will be charged one night's room and tax.

Visit mandalaybay.mgmresorts.com for additional information about the hotel.

MORE INFORMATION

For more information about these programs, contact ACG at registration@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 at registration@gi.org no later than **January 11, 2027**.





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