Saturday, December 2, 2017

UPPER GI SESSION

Is There Anything New in the Treatment of H. pylori Infection?
Colin W. Howden, MD, FACG
Identify an appropriate treatment care plan for patients with H. pylori infection.

Evaluation and Management of Barrett’s Esophagus
Nicholas J. Shaheen, MD, MPH, FACG
Propose an appropriate evaluation strategy, as well as follow-up and treatment options, for patients with Barrett’s esophagus.

Role of Esophageal Manometry in Management of Esophageal Motility Disorders
Nikrad Shahnavaz, MD
Differentiate the various esophageal motility disorders and improve patient outcomes.

Treatment of Gastroparesis: Drugs, Electronic Stimulators, and G-POEM
Qiang Cai, MD, PhD, FACG
Describe an appropriate treatment care plan for hepatitis C patients.

PANCREAS SESSION

Pancreatic Cancer: What Needs to be Done by the Gastroenterologist?
Evan L. Fogel, MD, MSc, FRCP(C)
Formulate a multidisciplinary approach to staging and treatment of pancreatic cancer.

Chronic Pancreatitis: Challenges, Diagnosis, and Treatment
Stephen T. Amann, MD, FACG
Explain current knowledge and recommendations with regards to the challenges, diagnosis, and treatment of chronic pancreatitis.

ENDOSCOPY SESSION

Bariatric Endoscopy: A New Endoscopic Frontier
Violeta B. Popov, MD, PhD, FACG
Compare and contrast the various endoscopic approaches to weight loss.

Advanced Endoscopy: From Mucosal Endoscopy to Submucosal Endoscopy
Qiang Cai, MD, PhD, FACG
Evaluate endoscopic techniques of ESD, POEM and STER, EFTR, and more.

Role of Endoscopy in the Management of Biliary Strictures
Steven A. Keilin, MD
Define an appropriate differential and treatment care plan for difficult biliary strictures of all etiologies.

Endoscopy in the Future
Christopher E. Forsmark, MD, FACG
Recognize the best new endoscopic tools and their potential impact on future practice.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

Addressing Burnout – Pearls for Gastroenterologists
Christina M. Surawicz, MD, MACG
Recognize causes of stress and burnout, and identify strategies to improve work-life balance.
AFTERNOON SESSION

Pancreatic Cysts: What Do We Need to Do?
Uzma D. Siddiqui, MD
Define and apply current management practices for pancreatic cysts.

Fecal Microbiota Transplantation: Current Status and Future
Neil H. Stollman, MD, FACG
Identify the patients who benefit most from FMT, and recognize management strategies for the fecal microbiome.

Diagnosis and Management of Small Bowel Bleeding
Seth A. Gross, MD, FACG
Formulate an appropriate evaluation strategy and treatment care plan for small bowel bleeding.

Episodes of Care as a Payment Model
Colleen M. Schmitt, MD, MHS, FACG
Vaughn Frigon, MD
Describe the challenges and opportunities with adopting episodes of care as a payment model for population-based healthcare management. This session will focus on the elements of the episodes of care as a payment model, specifically related to the TennCare episode reimbursement payment model, designed to reward providers who deliver cost-effective care and who meet certain quality thresholds.

Sunday, December 3, 2017

LIVER SESSION

Acute Liver Failure: A Disease for a Tertiary Center
Richard K. Sterling, MD, MSc, FACG
Apply an appropriate evaluation strategy and treatment plan for patients with acute liver failure.

Management of Patients With Abnormal Liver Chemistries
Paul Y. Kwo, MD, FACG
Identify an appropriate evaluation and treatment care plan for patients with abnormal liver chemistries.

Abnormal Liver Chemistries With Pregnancy: When Is It an Emergency?
Tram T. Tran, MD, FACG
Interpret abnormal liver chemistries associated with pregnancy.

Update on Hepatitis C Treatment
Bruce R. Bacon, MD, MACG
Describe an appropriate treatment care plan for hepatitis C patients.

LOWER GI SESSION

Preventative Care Essentials for IBD
David T. Rubin, MD, FACG
Apply an appropriate preventive care plan for patients with IBD.

Lower GI Bleeding: From Diagnosis to Management
Lisa L. Strate, MD, MPH, FACG
Identify and manage patients with acute lower GI bleeding.

Advanced Management for Inflammatory Bowel Diseases
John F. Valentine, MD, FACG
Define the appropriate time to use serum drug and antibody levels, when to use dual therapy, and when to switch class in IBD therapy.

Fecal Incontinence: Diagnosis and Treatment
Jennifer A. Christie, MD
Formulate an appropriate evaluation strategy and treatment options for patients with fecal incontinence.