Friday, March 8, 2019

Fecal Microbiota Transplant: Beyond *C. difficile*
Jessica R. Allegretti, MD, MPH
Explain the biology, technique, and outcomes of fecal transplant in patients with irritable bowel syndrome and inflammatory bowel disease.

Saturday, March 9, 2019

SESSION 1

Tiny Dancers – Manipulating the Gut Microbiome in IBS and Other Diseases
William D. Chey, MD, FACG
Use the current knowledge of the gut microbiome to develop treatment strategies for functional and inflammatory bowel diseases.

Stone Cold Truth – Management Principles and Technology for Difficult ERCP Scenarios
James L. Buxbaum, MD
Identify endoscopic tools for management of complex biliary tract stones and stricture, and discuss emerging technologies in this field.

NASH – Gaining the Upper Hand on This Rising Epidemic
Naga P. Chalasani, MD, FACG
Analyze the pathophysiology of NASH with new and emerging treatment modalities.

SESSION 2

Understanding the Consensus Guidelines on Diagnosis and Management of Pancreatic Cysts
Christopher E. Forsmark, MD, FACG
Apply best practices and evidence-based guidelines to the difficult area of pancreatic cysts.

The Whole Patient – Recognizing and Treating Extraintestinal Manifestations of IBD
Kara M. De Felice, MD
Describe methods to discern and evaluate distressing non-GI symptoms of IBD that can severely impact quality of life in patients.

Endoscopic Approaches to Obesity Management
Nikhil A. Kumta, MD, MS
Define the evidence for recommending endoscopic weight loss interventions for patients and the pitfalls of performing them.

We're From the Government and We're Here to Help: The Future Impact of Public Policy on Gastroenterology
Whitfield L. Knapple, MD, FACG
Assess information on future payment and care models the federal government is formulating and recognize how they may impact the field of gastroenterology.
SESSION 3

Targeting Rather Than Shotgunning: Precision Treatment of GERD
Ronnie Fass, MD, FACG
Implement strategies to identify patient types who would benefit from targeted interventional anti-reflux treatments.

Emergencies in Inflammatory Bowel Disease: Recognition and Treatment
Kim L. Isaacs, MD, PhD, FACG
Recognize treatment strategies for mitigating morbidity and mortality in critical IBD patients with complications such as perforation, abscess, obstruction, and toxic megacolon.

Pregnancy and Liver Disease
Nancy S. Reau, MD, FACG
Demonstrate greater familiarity and expertise in the treatment of pregnant patients with liver disease.

Sunday, March 10, 2019

SESSION 4

Expert Management of Non-Variceal Acute UGI Bleeding
Don C. Rockey, MD, FACG
Identify key data on mortality, costs, and newest techniques for reducing morbidity and mortality from UGI bleeding.

Down the Hatch: Advanced Understanding of Achalasia and Esophageal Outlet Disorders
Stuart J. Spechler, MD, FACG
Apply current diagnostic manometric and radiologic technology and classification to treatment of difficult dysphagia patients.

Diverticular Disease: Evolving Concepts in Classification, Presentation, and Management
Neil H. Stollman, MD, FACG
Recognize the complex and multifactorial nature of diverticular disease and the evidence supporting current treatment for uncomplicated and complicated disease.

SESSION 5

Pawn or Partner? Can Private Investment Save Physician Independence in Gastroenterology?
James S. Leavitt, MD, FACG
Interpret the current wave of private investment interest in gastroenterology practice and its implications for physician autonomy and economic independence.

Guidelines for the Provision and Assessment of Nutrition Support Therapy in the Critically Ill Adult Patient
Stephen A. McClave, MD
Summarize the A.S.P.E.N.-SCCM Clinical Guidelines for improving patient care by advancing knowledge of the science and practice of clinical nutrition in the ICU.