CURRENT TOPICS IN NEUROSURGERY
For the Primary Care Practitioner

Wednesday, October 15, 2014
5:00 pm - 8:20 pm

Hilton Garden Inn - Albany Medical Center
USS Albany Ballroom
62 New Scotland Avenue
Albany, NY 12208

Sponsored by Albany Medical College’s Division of Neurosurgery and the Office of Continuing Medical Education.
COURSE DESCRIPTION
The primary care provider’s role in managing neurological conditions has become more complex. Primary treatment often includes the initial evaluation, development of an appropriate management plan and timely referral to a neurological specialist. It is imperative that the primary care provider collaborates with, and has open dialogue with, a variety of specialists. This conference will address the various approaches and services available for the assessment, management, and referral of patients with specific neurological conditions that may ultimately warrant neurosurgical intervention.

TARGET AUDIENCE
This course is designed for primary care physicians, neurologists, neurosurgeons, radiologists, physician assistants, nurse practitioners and nurses. Other interested health care providers are welcome to attend.

OBJECTIVES
Upon completion of the course, the participant should be able to:

• Identify different diagnoses for selected neurological complaints.
• Triage care specific to the neurologic presentation of the patient.
• Recognize the indications of specific neurological conditions that may require consultation and treatment by a neurosurgical specialist.
• Counsel patients on the various surgical treatment options for benign intracranial hypertension (pseudotumor cerebri).
• Recognize common spinal disorders and their treatment options.
• Discuss some of the treatment options and expected quality of life subsequent to a functional neurosurgical procedure.
• Recognize different treatment for sellar and parasellar tumors.
• Be familiar with some of the newer treatments for vascular lesions of the brain.
• Describe various abnormalities and treatment options for patient with spinal disorders.
• Have a better appreciation of the scope of comprehensive neurosurgical care currently offered at AMC.

ACCREDITATION
Physician: The Albany Medical College is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) to sponsor continuing medical education for physicians.

Albany Medical College designates this Live activity for a maximum of 3 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

Physician Assistant: AAPA accepts Category I credit from AOACCME, Prescribed credit from AAFP, and AMA Category I CME credit for the PRA from organizations accredited by ACCME.

TUITION
By September 30 After September 30
Physicians $75 $100
Others $50 $75

Tuition includes course registration, access to the on-line syllabus, a reception and buffet dinner.

Refunds are possible if cancellation of registration is received in writing by October 8.

CONFIRMATION
All registrants will receive a confirmation. If you register and do not receive a confirmation notice within one week of your registrations, please call the Office of Continuing Medical Education at (518) 262-5828 to be sure we have received your information.
ON-LINE SYLLABUS
Printed syllabus material will NOT be available at the conference. If syllabus material is available it will be available on-line prior to and after the conference. In order to receive access to the syllabus material you must provide your e-mail address on the registration form. You will receive access information via e-mail. If you do not receive access information please call (518) 262-5828.

PARKING
Parking is available at no charge at Hilton Garden Inn.

NEED INFORMATION?
For further information regarding this conference, contact the Office of Continuing Medical Education by phone @ (518) 262-5828, by fax @ (518) 262-5679 or e-mail at pricej@mail.amc.edu. For emergency calls during the conference, call the Hilton Garden Inn at (518) 396-3500.

Be sure to visit the Albany Medical Center website @ www.amc.edu.

SPECIAL NEEDS
Should you have disabilities, dietary restrictions or other requirements, please contact the Office of Continuing Medical Education at (518) 262-5828 by September 30, 2014 to discuss your needs.

ATTIRE
Because everyone has a different comfort level we suggest you dress in layers or bring a sweater.

DO YOU HAVE SPECIFIC QUESTIONS?
If you have questions regarding any of the scheduled topics, write them on a separate sheet of paper and enclose with the registration form. Our faculty will do their best to include the information in their talk.

AGENDA
5:00 - 5:30 Registration and Reception
5:30 - 5:40 Welcome
5:40 - 6:00 Dinner
6:00 - 6:20 Advances in Neuroendovascular Surgery:
When and How to Treat Stroke Victims
Alan S. Boulos, MD
6:20 - 6:40 Whose Pain Is It Anyway? Tips for Dealing with Chronic Pain Patients
Julie G. Pilitsis, MD, PhD
6:40 - 7:00 Cervical Disc Replacement
John Dalfino, MD
7:00 - 7:20 Current Management of Brain Metastases
Tyler J. Kenning, MD
7:20 - 7:40 Epilepsy Surgery in Pediatric and Adult Patients
Matthew A. Adamo, MD
7:40 - 8:00 Spine-Deformity and Degeneration
Allen Carl, MD
8:00 - 8:20 Minimally Invasive Approaches to the Cervical Spine
John German, MD
8:20 - 8:40 Common Peripheral Nerve Syndromes and Their Treatment
David L. Semenoff, MD
8:40 - 9:00 Questions and Answers Session
REGISTRATION FORM
(Pre-registration is required.)

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