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MESSAGE FROM YOUR PRESIDENT

We have a cornucopia of experts for you!



Dear Colleagues:

This year the Chicago Medical Society (CMS) has joined forces with over 50 specialty and ethnic medical societies and an outstanding team of speakers from Chicago's leading medical institutions to present the *Annual Midwest Clinical Conference (MCC)* for the medical community at large. The conference will feature expert speakers from the Feinberg School of Medicine, Northwestern University, Loyola Uni-

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• **Friday Luncheon Keynote Speaker:** CONGRESSMAN DANNY K. DAVIS Followed by Chicago Medical Society's Annual Public Service Award Presentation (12:30 p.m.– 1:30 p.m.)

• Complimentary Daily Breakfast, Luncheon, on Thursday and Friday and a Dessert Reception is Included with the "3-Day Conference Registration."

• Free Registration for Students and Residents.

MESSAGE FROM YOUR PRESIDENT *(continued)*

versity Medical Center, Rush University Medical Center, University of Chicago, University of Illinois at Chicago, and Chicago Medical School. Some of the innovative and thought-provoking topics to be presented at MCC include: *Robotic Surgery, Medicare in 2008, Humanitarian Relief through Tele-Medicine, Global Health, Pay-for-Performance, Patient Safety and Simulation, Thrombosis, Organ Transplantation, Pediatrics and Stem Cell Transplantation*, and much more.

The CMS is a fully accredited continuing medical education (CME) provider and the primary sponsor of MCC 2008, offering participants up to 20 CME credits. This educational forum provides a unique combination of clinical and practice management topics useful to all specialists, residents, medical students and other health care professionals.

I would like to ask you to help us promote this CME activity at your hospital by sharing this newsletter with your physician staff, stu-

dents and residents. It would be wonderful if you could also help by sending an internal e-mail announcing the details to your colleagues. For more information visit your Web site: www.cmsdocs.org.

Thank you very much for your immediate attention to this exciting, community-based educational and networking opportunity. On behalf of the Chicago Medical Society, thank you for all your efforts. I sincerely appreciate your assistance and promotional support, and look forward to seeing you, your valued medical staff, friends and colleagues at the March meeting.

With warm regards,



Saroja Bharati, MD
President, Chicago Medical Society

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CHICAGO MEDICAL SOCIETY 64TH ANNUAL MIDWEST CLINICAL CONFERENCE



MARCH 27 -29 2008

Benefits of attending on March 27-29:

LOCATION:

Doubletree Hotel - Oak Brook

1909 Spring Road

Oak Brook, IL 60523 www.doubletree.com

- **CME:** Earn up to **20 CME credits** & meet your IL relicensure requirements due in July of 2008!
- **Opportunities:** Network with elite speakers and your colleagues from Chicago's leading medical institutions; learn from regional and national healthcare vendors.
- **Convenient Schedule:** Thursday (March 27) from 10:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Friday (March 28) from 8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Saturday (March 29) from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
- **Perks:** Early Bird package fee includes daily breakfast and lunch and a dessert reception on Friday. Parking is Free!
- **Topics Include:** Hypertension; Cardiovascular Disease; Diabetes; Robotic Surgery; Family Practice Updates; Women's Health; Men's Health; Allergy & Sinus; Internal Medicine; Tele-Medicine; Practice Management Topics; Medical-Legal and additional exciting advancements in medicine!

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Program Agenda - Thursday, March 27, 2008

9:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Breakfast and Exhibits 0.5 hour session

General CME Breakfast: "CHAMP: Building a Healthy Chicago."

Morning Keynote Speaker: James M. Galloway, MD, Assistant Surgeon General, U.S. Department of Health & Human Services

Moderator: Saroja Bharati, MD, President, Chicago Medical Society, Director, Maurice Lev Congenital Heart and Conduction System Center, Advocate Hope Children's Hospital and Christ Medical Center; Professor of Pathology, Rush University Medical Center, Chicago, IL.

10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. The following 2.0 hour sessions run concurrently and will include a 10-minute intermission.

- Course A-01: Latest Trends in Surgical Treatments for Obesity
- Course B-01: Understanding Headache and Gender
- Course C-01: New Strategy in Hospital Antibiotic Management Programs
- Course D-01: Ethical Considerations in End-of-Life Care

12:00 p.m. - 12:30 p.m. Intermission and Exhibits

12:30 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. General CME Luncheon: "Nitric Oxide as a Unique Signaling Molecule in Biology."

Keynote Speaker: Louis Ignarro, PhD, Nobel Laureate

Moderator: Saroja Bharati, MD, President, Chicago Medical Society

1:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. Q & A

1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. The following 2.0 hour sessions run concurrently and will include a 10-minute intermission.

- Course A-02: Strategies for Managing Womens' Health- Part I
- Course B-02: Pediatrics I: Advances in Stem Cell Transplantation
- Course C-02: Understanding Humanitarian Relief Via Tele-Medicine
- Course D-02: Medical-Legal: Navigating the Physician/Patient Relationship

3:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. The following 2.0 hour sessions run concurrently and will include a 10-minute intermission.

- Course A-03: Gaining New Insights Into AIDS/HIV
- Course B-03: Evolving Trends in Patient Safety Simulation and Anesthesia
- Course C-03: Primary Considerations in Adult Oncology
- Course D-03: Understanding Medicare 2008: Quality Assurance Update & Case Studies

Program Agenda - Friday, March 28, 2008

7:30 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. Breakfast and Exhibits

8:00 a.m.- 10:00 a.m. The following 2.0 hour sessions run concurrently and will include a 10-minute intermission.

- Course A-04: Considerations for Depression and COPD (Family Practice)
- Course B-04: Managing and Treating Allergy and Asthma
- Course C-04: New Developments in Obesity in Children
- Course D-04: Allied Health: Scope of Practice Changes

Morning Keynote Speaker:

Rodney C. Osborn, MD, President, ISMS

Moderator: Saroja Bharati, MD, President, Chicago Medical Society



10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. The following 2.0 hour sessions run concurrently and will include a 10-minute intermission.

- Course A-05: Advancements in Robotic Surgery
- Course B-05: Exploring Concepts in Global Health
- Course C-05: Current Perspectives in Pulmonary/Critical Care
- Course D-05: Identifying Pay-for-Performance Initiatives

12:00 p.m. - 12:30 p.m. Intermission and Exhibits

12:30 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. General CME Luncheon
Luncheon Keynote Speaker: Congressman Danny K. Davis
Moderator: Saroja Bharati, MD, President, Chicago Medical Society

1:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. Public Service Award Presentation

1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. The following 2.0 hour sessions run concurrently and will include a 10-minute intermission.

- Course A-06: Clinical Updates in Hypertension
- Course B-06: Pediatrics I: Updating the Pediatric Physician
- Course C-06: Surgical Treatments in Colorectal Cancer
- Course D-06: Complying with OSHA 2008: The Big Picture

3:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. The following 2.0 hour sessions run concurrently and will include a 10 minute intermission.

- Course A-07: Evolving Strategies for Cardiovascular Disease and Osteoporosis
- Course B-07: Pediatrics II: Revisiting Autism and Allergy/Asthma
- Course C-07: Current Initiatives on the Diagnosis and Treatment of Diabetes
- Course D-07: Strategies for Managing Womens' Health – Part II

Program Agenda - Saturday, March 29, 2008

8:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. Breakfast

8:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. The following 2.0 hour sessions run concurrently and will include a 10-minute intermission.

- Course A-08: Diagnosing and Managing Thrombosis
- Course B-08: Update: Primary Care in Psychiatry: ADD/Chemical Dependency
- Course C-08: Reviewing Concepts in Organ Transplantation
- Course D-08: Medical-Legal: Navigating the Physician/Patient Relationship (repeat of D-02)

10:30 a.m.- 12:30 p.m. The following 2.0 hour sessions run concurrently and will include a 10-minute intermission.

- Course A-09: Health Interventions in Geriatric Care and Alzheimer's
- Course B-09: Clinical Considerations in Common Sleep Disorders
- Course C-09: Reviewing Diabetes and Coronary Heart Disease
- Course D-09: Contract Negotiations (**Non-CME**)

12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. Medical Student Session (Non-CME)

Note: Speakers are subject to change; for speaker, disclosure and course updates visit our website.



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CHICAGO MEDICAL SOCIETY

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It is the goal of the Chicago Medical Society to accommodate all registrants in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act. If you need any of the services identified in the ADA, please notify the Chicago Medical Society, in writing, by February 29, 2008. The mailing address is: 515 N. Dearborn, Chicago, IL 60610 – Attn. Education Dept.

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Check one of the applicable registration fees listed above. Questions? 312-670-2550

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Note: In the event of unforeseeable circumstances, the Chicago Medical Society reserves the right to reschedule, revise or cancel the courses listed on this form.

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2008 MIDWEST CLINICAL CONFERENCE:

Select a course from each time block below:

THURSDAY, MARCH 27

9:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. (0.5 hr. general breakfast session)

- Breakfast Keynote:
James M. Galloway, MD, Assistant Surgeon General, U.S. Department of Health & Human Services, on "CHAMP: Building a Healthy Chicago."

10 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. (2.0 hrs.)

- A-01: Obesity & Surgery
- B-01: Headache & Gender
- C-01: Latest in Hospital Antibiotic Mgmt. Programs
- D-01: Ethics: End of Life

12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. (1.0 hr. general lunch session)

- E-01: Luncheon Keynote:
Louis Ignarro, PhD, Nobel Laureate, on "Nitric Oxide as a Unique Signaling Molecule in Biology."

1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. (2.0 hrs.)

- A-02: Women's Health - Part I
- B-02: Pediatrics: Stem Cell Transplantation
- C-02: Tele-Medicine & Humanitarian Relief
- D-02: Medical-Legal Session

3:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. (2.0 hrs.)

- A-03: AIDS/HIV Update
- B-03: Patient Safety Simulation & Anesthesia
- C-03: Cancer in Adults
- D-03: Medicare 2008

FRIDAY, MARCH 28

8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. (2.0 hrs.)

- A-04: Family Practice Session
- B-04: Allergy/Asthma
- C-04: Obesity in Children
- D-04: Morning Keynote:
Rodney C. Osborn, MD, President, ISMS, on "Allied Health: Scope of Practice Changes"

FRIDAY, MARCH 28 (cont.)

10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. (2.0 hrs.)

- A-05: Robotic Surgery
- B-05: Global Health
- C-05: Pulmonary Critical Care
- D-05: Pay-for-Performance

12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. (1.0 hr. general lunch session)

- E-02: Luncheon Keynote:
Congressman Danny K. Davis followed by:
CMS Public Service Award Presentation

1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. (2.0 hrs.)

- A-06: Hypertension Update
- B-06: Pediatric Update-Part I
- C-06: Update in Colorectal Surgery
- D-06: OSHA 2008: The Big Picture

3:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. (2.0 hrs.)

- A-07: Internal Medicine Update: Cardiovascular Disease & Osteoporosis
- B-07: Pediatric Update - Part II: Autism & Allergy/Asthma
- C-07: Advances in Diabetes
- D-07: Women's Health - Part II

SATURDAY, MARCH 29

8:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. (2.0 hrs.)

- A-08: Thrombosis: Diag. & Mgmt.
- B-08: Psychiatry Update for Primary Care
- C-08: Organ Transplantation
- D-08: Medical-Legal Session

10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. (2.0 hrs.)

- A-09: Geriatric Care/Alzheimer's
- B-09: Common Sleep Disorders
- C-09: Diabetes & Coronary Heart Disease for Primary Care
- D-09: Contract Negotiations (Non-CME)

12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. (Non-CME)

- E-03: Medical Student Session

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Since the reforms were enacted, we've begun a near-miraculous recovery. We've stemmed the flow of doctors leaving the state, assuring greater access to care for patients. We've reduced skyrocketing medical liability premiums that are ultimately passed on to employers, workers and their families in higher health insurance costs. In short, we've started to mend a medical liability system that was on the brink of collapse.

Now, trial lawyers want to overturn this fair, sensible—and *necessary*—reform and take us back to the dark days of excessive jury awards, higher medical liability premiums, escalating health care costs, and reduced access to care for patients.

Don't let trial lawyers destroy the progress we've made on medical lawsuit reform. Let's continue working to close the wounds, provide patients with the care they deserve, and keep physicians in Illinois.

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Keynote speakers -- a preview

JAMES M. GALLOWAY, MD
REGIONAL HEALTH ADMINISTRATOR, REGION V
Rear Admiral
Assistant U.S. Surgeon General
U.S. Department of Health & Human Services



Dr. Galloway

Dr. Galloway is the lead federal physician, the principal federal public health official and the senior USPHS officer for Region V, which encompasses the states of Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Ohio and Wisconsin. He reports directly to the Assistant Secretary of Health and serves as the Department's principal

representative for public health in the field for this region. His leadership responsibilities include disease prevention, health promotion, women's and minority health, the reduction of health disparities, the fight against HIV/AIDS, the Medical Reserve Corps, pandemic influenza and emergency planning. He is actively involved in the push for enhanced access to quality health care.

Dr. Galloway is Associate Professor of Clinical Medicine in the College of Medicine at the University of Arizona as well as an Associate Professor of Public Health in the College of Public Health. As Director of the Native American Cardiology Program prior to coming to Chicago, Dr. Galloway organized and provided direct cardiac care to Native Americans in Arizona, Nevada, Utah, California and New Mexico. He was the senior cardiologist nationally for the Indian Health Service and the director of the National Native American Cardio Vascular Disease Prevention Program.

Dr. Galloway earned his medical degree from the Medical College of Virginia and completed his residency at the University of Vermont. He performed a cardiology fellowship at the University of Arizona College of Medicine.

Dr. Galloway is board-certified in both internal medicine and cardiology. He is a fellow of the American College of Physicians, the American Col-

lege of Chest Surgeons, the American College of Cardiology, and the American Heart Association.

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

BUILDING A HEALTHIER CHICAGO

Initiative aims to improve health through awareness, education and action

THE CHICAGO MEDICAL SOCIETY HAS JOINED the Office of the Regional Health Administrator for Region V, the American Medical Association, and the Chicago Department of Public Health in a strategic initiative to improve the quality of life and health of all Chicago residents.

This effort will convene representatives from community-based organizations, academic institutions, public agencies and medical associations, employing evidenced-based methods and strategies that are specific and tailored to reach the city's diverse populations. The initiative will be carried out through an aggressive campaign of awareness, education and action.

Anticipated activities of this partnership will include awareness building, identification, mobilization and synergy of assets, and adoption and promotion of effective, complementary and ecological, population-based programs.

Initial efforts will focus on changes in environmental and nutritional policies and practices that facilitate public adoption of healthier lifestyles.

While focused primarily on lifestyle changes in addition to blood pressure interventions, the team has determined that blood pressure modifications are one of the most effective measurements and evaluative metrics. Reducing hypertension on a population basis has appeal because blood pressure is easily measured and thus provides a measure of the degree to which the partnership can successfully intervene in a defined population.

Although specific, localized interventions will begin this spring, project planning will take place concurrently over the first 18 months.

Dr. Galloway will present more information on this topic at the 64th Annual Midwest Clinical Conference on March 27 and the Chicago Medical society warmly invites your participation in this collaborative effort.

MCC KEYNOTE SPEAKERS *(continued)*

LOUIS IGNARRO, PHD

JEROME J. BELZER, MD, DISTINGUISHED PROFESSOR OF PHARMACOLOGY, UCLA SCHOOL OF MEDICINE



Dr. Ignarro

Dr. Ignarro is a 1998 Nobel Prize Laureate, and the Jerome J. Belzer, MD, Distinguished Professor of Pharmacology at UCLA School of Medicine. Although recognized with many awards for his body of research, he is best known for his discoveries involving nitric oxide as a unique signaling

molecule in the cardiovascular system. His work was instrumental in the development of Viagra, the first oral medication for the effective treatment of erectile dysfunction.

Dr. Ignarro holds a BSc in chemistry (Columbia University) and PhD in pharmacology (University of Minnesota). He completed postdoctoral training in the Laboratory of Chemical Pharmacology at the NIH. He held a research position at the CIBA-Geigy Pharmaceutical Company, before taking academic positions at Tulane University and the UCLA School of Medicine, where he currently holds the position of Distinguished Professor of Pharmacology. Dr. Ignarro has received numerous awards and other recognition for his basic research including, "The CIBA Award for Hypertension Research," "The Roussel Uclaf Prize," and "The Basic Research Prize of the American Heart Association." He has published over 500 articles and has trained numerous graduate students, post-doctoral fellows and clinical fellows during his academic career. Among other posts, Dr. Ignarro is founder and president of the Nitric Oxide Society.

RODNEY C. OSBORN, MD

PRESIDENT, ILLINOIS STATE MEDICAL SOCIETY

Rodney C. Osborn, MD, an anesthesiologist from Peoria, is currently practicing medicine at St. Francis Medical Center, Proctor Hospital, and at a number of ambulatory surgery centers in Peoria, as well as St. James Hospital in Pontiac. He serves on the clinical faculty at the University of Illinois College of Medicine in Peoria.



Dr. Osborn

As an active member of ISMS since 1980, Dr. Osborn served as speaker of the House of Delegates from 2003-2005. His involvement also includes membership on numerous committees and councils such as the Governmental Affairs Council, the Council on Economics and the Committee on Drugs and Therapeutics. Other leadership

roles in organized medicine include membership in the Peoria Medical Society, serving as its president in 1996 and 1998; board member for the American Society of Anesthesiologists; and as a past president of the Illinois Society of Anesthesiologists.

Dr. Osborn received his undergraduate degree with honors from Colorado State University and his medical degree from the Northwestern University Medical School, where he also completed a four-year residency and fellowship in the department of anesthesia.

Dr. Osborn was elected president of the Illinois State Medical Society on April 22, 2007, and his term runs through April 2008.

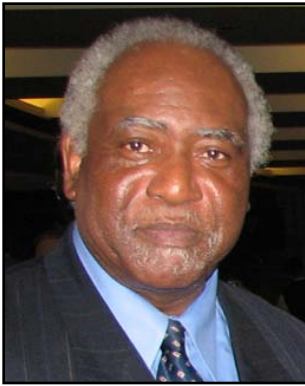
In his session "Update on Scope of Practice Changes for Allied Health Professionals" Dr. Osborn will cover advanced practice registered nurses, physician assistants and pharmacists, analyzing how changes will affect practice in physician offices and hospitals. His talk will distinguish between advanced practice nurse and physician assistant hospital practice and identify key medical staff issues. He will highlight areas for physician grassroots education of patients.

REP. DANNY K. DAVIS, PHD

U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES—7TH DISTRICT OF ILL.

Rep. Danny K. Davis has been a member of Congress since 1996. Representative Davis currently serves on the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform and the Committee on Education and Labor.

His district includes 21 hospitals, dozens of clin-



Representative Davis

served for 11 years as a member of the Chicago

ics and many world-class research institutions and medical schools, along with some of the most medically underserved communities in America.

Prior to becoming a member of Congress, Representative Davis served on the Cook County Board of Commissioners for six years. Previously, he

City Council as Alderman of the 29th Ward.

Before seeking public office, Representative Davis had productive careers as an educator, community organizer, health planner/administrator and civil rights advocate. He has received hundreds of awards and citations for outstanding work in the areas of health, education, human relations, politics and advocacy.

Representative Davis earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from Arkansas AM & N College (now known as the University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff). He subsequently earned both Master's in Guidance and Doctorate degrees in Public Administration, respectively from Chicago State University and the Union Institute in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Henrietta Herbolsheimer, MD, Public Service Award

This annual Chicago Medical Society (CMS) award recognizes outstanding contributions in the fields of community service and government.

Established in 1978 as the CMS Public Service Award, it describes the work of physicians in their communities and promotes interest among CMS members to participate in civic affairs. The 30 previous award winners have been honored for such achievements as organizing local health fairs, taking part in neighborhood youth programs, and overseas volunteer work. Long active in the CMS Council,

Dr. Herbolsheimer was associate professor emerita at the Pritzker School of Medicine; she died in 1999 at age 86. Following her death, the award was named in her honor.

The award will be presented during the MCC luncheon on Friday, March 28.

MCC PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Humanitarian Relief through International Tele-Medicine: Information Technology to Build Global Bridges in Medicine

Thursday, March 27, 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

COURSE DIRECTOR AND SPEAKER:



William Kennedy Smith, MD, is President and Director of the Center for International Rehabilitation (the CIR) and founder of Physicians Against Land Mines. He is a board-certified physiatrist, trained prosthetist and Principal Investigator on the CIR's International Disability Educational Alliance grant

from the U.S. Department of Defense.

Dr. Smith serves as adjunct clinical instructor at Northwestern University Medical School. He completed medical school at Georgetown University and his residency at Northwestern University and the Rehabilitation Institute of Chicago.



Ronald Merrell, MD, is Professor of Surgery and Director of the Medical Informatics and Technology Applications Consortium at Virginia Commonwealth University. He is an Editor-in Chief of Telemedicine and e-Health and author of some 300 publications in the field of medicine and technology. Dr

Merrell trained in surgery and biological chemistry at Washington University in St Louis. He is an endocrine surgeon and has held the Chair in Surgery at Yale and at Virginia Commonwealth University. Dr. Merrell has a long history as advisor and investigator for NASA and the Army. His research work has emphasized management of medical events at a distance, including extreme environments.

Learning Objectives

- Explain how information and computer technologies are transforming where the examination room of tomorrow will be.

- Describe the scope of humanitarian medical need through international telemedicine.
- Identify the usefulness of the Center for International Rehabilitation's learning program in conflict-affected countries.
- Assess clearly how their expertise can be utilized by their counterparts in remote and medically underserved areas.
- Recognize the opportunity to become a part of the volunteer network.

Linking Clinical Practice to Community Initiatives to Foster Healthy Lifestyles in Children and Families

Friday, March 28, 8 a.m. to 10 a.m.



Adolfo J. Ariza, MD, is Research Assistant Professor, Associate Director, Pediatric Practice Research Group (PPRG), Research Assistant Professor of Pediatrics, Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine, Mary Ann J. Milburn Smith Child Health Research Program, Clinical Outreach Director, Consortium to Lower

Obesity in Chicago Children (CLOCC).

Topics Include: Practical approaches for effective detection and management of the obese child; linking clinical practice to community initiatives to foster healthy lifestyles in children and families.

Advancements in Robotic Surgery

Friday, March 28, 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

COURSE DIRECTOR AND MODERATOR:



Arieh L. Shalhav, MD, Fritz and Mary Lee Duda Family Professor, Chief, Section of Urologic Surgery, University of Chicago Medical Center.

Dr. Shalhav received his BSc and MD degrees from the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. He completed his internship and urology residency at the Sheba Medical Center, Sackler School

MCC PROGRAM OVERVIEW *(continued)*

of Medicine, Tel Aviv University. During his residency he received a scholarship to spend one year of his training at Mount Sinai Medical Center in New York.

After completing his residency, he undertook a fellowship in laparoscopy/endourology at Washington University in St. Louis. At the end of his fellowship, he remained as faculty at Washington University for one year as Assistant Professor of Urology. In July 1999 he accepted a position as director of Laparoscopic Urologic Surgery and Assistant Professor of Urology at Indiana University School of Medicine, Indianapolis, where he developed one of the most active laparoscopic urology programs in the country. He joined the faculty at the University of Chicago as Director of Laparoscopic Urologic Surgery in 2002. He has received awards for his teaching, research and clinical work from the Society of Laparoendoscopic Surgeons, the Endourological Society, as well as the American Urological Association.



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Dr. Srivastava has earned an international reputation for his expertise in minimally invasive heart surgery, including robotic surgery. Dr. Srivastava practiced in Texas for more than 25 years before coming to Chicago in 2007. Over the course of his career, he has performed more than 5,000 cardiac surgeries. In recent years, he has pioneered beating-heart Totally Endoscopic Coronary Artery Bypass (TECAB) and off-pump coronary artery bypass through a left lateral thoracotomy (ThoraCAB), performing more of these procedures than any other surgeon in the world.

Beyond coronary bypass surgery, Dr. Srivastava has refined many other minimally invasive approaches to cardiac and thoracic surgery. He has special expertise in the surgical treatment of heart valve disease, heart failure, arrhythmias, and congenital heart disease in adults. He also has performed robotic minimally invasive procedures to remove mediastinal tumors and lung resections for lung cancer. He continues to advance other surgical approaches to reduce trauma to the patient and improve outcomes.

Dr. Srivastava has a passion for using the most advanced, reliable technologies to improve patients' quality of life, and for sharing his expertise to improve the practice of medicine. He routinely trains other surgeons from around the world on minimally invasive heart surgery.

MCC PROGRAM OVERVIEW *(continued)*

Topics Include: Robotic Surgery in the Treatment of Localized Prostate Cancer, Robotic Surgery in Gynecologic Malignancy, and Robotic Cardiac Surgery.

Learning Objectives: At the end of this session, participants should be able to:

- Explain the growing role of robotic laparoscopic surgery for the treatment of prostate cancer.
- Identify the standard steps of the radical prostatectomy procedure.
- Describe patient selection and pre-operative counseling.
- Cite the clinical outcome advantages of improved 3-dimensional visualization and micro-instrument tissue dissection.
- Explain basic technical aspects of Robotic Surgery.
- Describe the indications and advantages of robotic surgery in gynecology.

Surgical Advancements and Treatments in Colorectal Surgery

Friday, March 28 (1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.)

COURSE DIRECTOR AND MODERATOR:



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Topics Include: Low Rectal Cancer—Can We Avoid Permanent Colostomy? Laparoscopic Colon and Rectal Surgery, Robotic Colon and Rectal Surgery, and Low Rectal Cancer—Robotic Technology.

Learning Objectives

- Provide a brief overview of sphincter sparing techniques in colorectal cancer cases.
- Discuss application of laparoscopic techniques in contemporary treatment of colorectal pathology. Introduce the audience to robotic technology and its application in colorectal surgery.
- Discuss the application of robotic techniques designed specifically for the treatment of lower rectal cancer.

MCC PROGRAM OVERVIEW *(continued)*

Negotiating Physician Employment Agreements *Saturday, March 29, 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.*



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representing physicians, physician organizations and other health care providers in the formation and operation of professional corporations, physician networks, management service organizations, joint ventures with related health care providers, professional licensing, credentialing, medical staff, Medicare and Medicaid, peer review, fraud and abuse, antitrust and prohibited referrals, practice structuring, mergers and acquisitions, disability insurance, employment law and other legal issues impacting physicians.

Course highlights

- The legal and business issues a resident needs to consider when seeking employment

for the first time.

- Employment opportunities for residents with any of the following entities:

--Independent physician group practices

--Hospitals

--Within their own independent solo practices (hospitals may subsidize their initial years in order to establish their practices in the community).

- Provisions of the Employment Agreement:

--Term or length of time of employment.

--Methods of compensation.

--Employee benefit programs.

--Reimbursement of out-of-pocket expenses (such as relocation, CME, etc.).

--Reasons for termination of employment by the physician or employer.

--Payments due physicians upon termination of employment.

--Malpractice insurance and who should be responsible for paying the premiums during and after termination.

--Non-competition provisions relating to whether physicians can remain in the community and practice medicine once they terminate employment with an initial employer.

--Whether there are ownership opportunities in the organization the physician will be joining. If there are such opportunities, what are the terms and cost?

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Jim Tierney, ISMS
Noon – 1 p.m.

Aug. 7, 2008

Managing Physician Stress
Martin Doot, MD
Noon – 1 p.m.

Oct. 2, 2008

Compliance Issues
Speaker TBA
Noon – 1 p.m.

Dec. 4, 2008

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Rob Kane, JD, ISMS
Noon – 1 p.m.

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Medicare Gambit

Federal lawmakers felt the pressure to do something about Medicare in the final days of 2007, but could not reach agreement on how best to deal with the perennial threat to physician Medicare re-

imbursements. Instead of applying a one or two year patch as has become the pattern in recent years, members of Congress chose to shore up funding for a few months and delay the core debate on how to fix Medicare's broken reimbursement formula. On July 1, doctors will again face a 10% cut unless Congress can work out an agreement soon.

ISMS is working with the AMA to assure that Illinois' congressional delegation knows doctors demand a permanent resolution to this problem. Of course we also need you to reach out to your U.S. senators and representatives, but now more than ever, physicians must also engage their patients. Medicare recipients and their families must call on lawmakers to make the hard choices to do what is right and assure access to medical care. ISMS wants to make it easy for you to talk to your patients about this issue. ISMS members can request a patient education poster with information on how to contact members of Congress. To order a poster and tear off sheets for your office call 800/782-4767 ext 2423.

Save the date

The ISMS annual House of Delegates meeting will take place April 11-13 at the Oak Brook Hills Marriott Resort in Oak Brook, IL. All ISMS and CMS members are welcome to attend. No-cost CME programming will be offered on Saturday and Sunday, dealing with deep vein thrombosis, medical quality, and covering the uninsured. Further details on how to sign up to attend the CME sessions will come your way soon.

Your participation is crucial

CMS strongly urges all delegates and alternates to attend the Annual Meeting of the ISMS House of Delegates in April. Strong numbers and active participation are essential to maintaining CMS' influential position within the statewide organization. Be there to represent CMS. You owe it to yourself and your colleagues.

Please call Joy Tapias at (312) 670-2550, ext. 322 to confirm your attendance.

Deadline for resolutions is Tuesday, Feb. 26, 2008.

STUDENT DISTRICT UPDATE

Medical Students get lesson in lobbying

PREPARING STUDENTS FOR LIFE FOLLOWING medical school was the focus of a recent social/networking event that included instruction in the art of political persuasion and tips on getting into residency.

Highlights of the Student District gathering, held in January at Rock Bottom Brewery, included advice from members of the Chicago Medical Society's Resident District on applying for residency and what to expect from the various programs. More than 100 students attended, representing six of the Chicago-area's six medical schools. ISMS representatives Kate Jarvie and Erin O'Brien described what every doctor should know in "How to Lobby."

Following the presentations, both students and residents said they felt better informed and more comfortable with approaching legislators. Additionally, they said they expected to be able to play a greater role in the Society and at their schools. Many responded that they plan to participate in



Chicago Medical Society Student District members, from left: Marin Hinzpeter, M1, and Matthew Bai, M1, Chicago Medical School; and Nicole Patino, Medical Student District Treasurer, University of Illinois.

both the state and national lobby days this spring. Students were pleasantly surprised by the attendance of a Kaplan Test Prep representative, who raffled off a Kaplan Q-Bank.

The next student meeting will be Sat., Feb. 23, at 10:00 a.m. For more information, please contact Jennifer Cox at (312) 670-2550, ext.324.

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