Monday, September 5th:

7:30 am – 8:00 am
Registration and Arrival
Rooms booked as part of the MER room block include breakfast in the hotel dining room. Participants booking outside of the MER room block, please make breakfast arrangements on your own.

8:00 am – 9:00 am – Oncology
Approach to the Patient with Suspected Cancer
Symptoms, signs and diagnoses that raise the suspicion of cancer will be reviewed, and an approach to evaluating these patients will be presented.

9:00 am – 10:00 am – Oncology
Management of Cancer Survivors
Medical issues related to cancer survivorship and approaches to surveillance for cancer recurrence will be reviewed.

10:00 am – 10:10 am
Coffee Break

10:10 am – 11:10 am – Vascular
An Overview of Peripheral Vascular Disease and Approaching Abdominal Aortic Aneurysms
Defining the spectrum of maladies included in peripheral vascular disease and understanding underlying arterial pathology including atherosclerosis; abdominal aortic aneurysm diagnosis, evaluation and treatment is also included.

11:10 am – 12:10 pm – Vascular
Stroke: Initial Presentation to Medical and Surgical Treatment
Carotid occlusive disease and stroke

12:10 pm
Session Adjourns
Tuesday, September 6th:

7:30 am – 8:00 am
Arrival
Rooms booked as part of the MER room block include breakfast in the hotel dining room. Participants booking outside of the MER room block, please make breakfast arrangements on your own.

8:00 am – 9:00 am – Infectious Disease
Gastrointestinal Infectious and Clostridium Difficile
Presentation on important enteric pathogens and their recognition, diagnosis and management; special emphasis on clostridium difficile colitis and related updates from the ID and infection control literature

9:00 am – 10:00 am – Infectious Disease
Emerging Infectious Diseases
Novel influenza viruses, resurgence of vaccine-preventable diseases, zoonoses and disease related to animal exposures (including vectors such as mosquitoes that bear west nile virus and dengue), bioterrorism and food/waterborne illness

10:00 am – 10:10 am
Coffee Break

10:10 am – 11:10 am – Vascular
The Dysvascular Limb: How to Approach Swelling and Ulcers
The swollen limb and the ulcerated foot: organizational approach to the differential diagnosis, data gathering and evaluation, treatment options and follow-up

11:10 am – 12:10 pm – Oncology
How to Use New Antithrombotic Medications
Mechanisms of action, clinical indications, therapeutic indices, perioperative management and approaches to reversal of new anticoagulant and antiplatelet medications will be reviewed

12:10 pm
Session Adjourns
Wednesday, September 7th:

7:30 am – 8:00 am
Arrival
Rooms booked as part of the MER room block include breakfast in the hotel dining room. Participants booking outside of the MER room block, please make breakfast arrangements on your own.

8:00 am – 9:00 am – Psychiatry
I Just Drink a Few Beers At Night (Substance Abuse)
Substance abuse history-taking to encourage patient honesty; accurate diagnosis; use of screening tools; co-morbidities and treatment options.

9:00 am – 10:00 am – Psychiatry
Suicide and Violence
Risk assessment for suicide and violence; the relationship between psychotropic medications and suicide or violent behavior; management of the suicidal and violent patient

10:00 am – 10:10 am
Coffee Break

10:10 am – 11:10 am – Infectious Disease
Case Presentations: Respiratory Tract Infections
A case-based interactive discussion highlighting critical points regarding the diagnosis and management of pneumonia and bronchitis – with a focus on the impact of multidrug resistant pathogens

11:10 am – 12:10 pm – Infectious Disease
Evidence-based Healthcare-associated Infections
Presentation on important pathogens in the healthcare setting and related clinical, epidemiologic and infection control information (please note that the discussion on blood-borne pathogens will NOT suffice for standard hospital CME requirements for BBP training)

12:10 pm
Session Adjourns
Thursday, September 8th:

7:30 am – 8:00 am
Arrival
Rooms booked as part of the MER room block include breakfast in the hotel dining room. Participants booking outside of the MER room block, please make breakfast arrangements on your own.

8:00 am – 9:00 am – Psychiatry
I’m Always So Nervous, Doc (Anxiety Disorders)
Generalized anxiety disorder, panic disorder, and social phobia; focus on etiology, diagnosis, co-morbidity and treatment of these common and disabling conditions

9:00 am – 10:00 am – Psychiatry
I Don’t Care About Anything, Doc (Depression)
History taking, diagnosis and treatment of depression across the lifespan; pharmacologic and non-pharmacologic treatment options; rational polypharmacy

10:00 am
Conference Adjourns

Target Audience
This program is targeted to office-based primary care providers and other health professionals with updates in primary care medicine

Learning Objectives
Upon completion of this program, participants should be better able to:
• Discuss the approach and subsequent therapeutic management of the cancer patient, as well as the cancer survivor
• Define the spectrum of vascular maladies included in peripheral vascular disease
• Discuss presentation and interventional treatment of stroke patients as well as the swelling and ulcers of dysvascular limbs
• Diagnose and manage important infectious disease syndromes in a range of organ-based systems (respiratory and gastrointestinal)
• Discuss the most important approaches to the febrile patient with potentially life-threatening diseases as well as those with emerging infectious diseases
• Accurately diagnose and treat (pharmacologic and nonpharmacologic) substance abuse and anxiety disorders
• Understand risk factors and assess patients at risk for suicide and violence and intervene to make timely referrals to combat hopelessness

Learning Outcome
To provide updates in primary care medicine to office based providers
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