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**INTERNAL MEDICINE FOR PRIMARY CARE:  
ENDOCRINOLOGY/INFECTIOUS DISEASE/PULMONOLOGY**

**Charleston, South Carolina – Francis Marion Hotel  
April 23 – 25, 2021**

**Friday, April 23rd:**

**7:00 am – 7:30 am**

**Registration and Hot Breakfast**

**7:30 am – 8:30 am – Pulmonology**

**Asthma**

The medical impact of asthma; fundamental role of inflammation, with possible scarring and irreversible loss of lung function; practical points of diagnosis; goal setting management based on levels of severity; risk factors for mortality and treatment in the acute setting; management options for the difficult to control asthmatic patient

**8:30 am – 9:30 am – Pulmonology**

**Controversies in the Treatment of Common Respiratory Infections**

Acute and chronic bronchitis; pneumonia (community versus hospital-acquired); role of the Pneumonia Severity Index score in determining indication for hospitalization; cost-effective use of antibiotics; clinical significance of drug resistance; guidelines for management

**9:30 am – 9:40 am**

**Coffee Break**

**9:40 am – 10:40 am – Pulmonology**

**Everything You Need to Know About COPD**

Definition; pathophysiology; early detection and intervention; risk reduction; management update including new modalities (including lung volume reduction surgery) and the role of inhaled corticosteroids and domiciliary oxygen

**10:40 am – 11:40 am – Endocrinology**

**Disorders of Calcium Metabolism**

Review of calcium homeostasis; causes of hypercalcemia; diagnosis and treatment

**11:40 am – 12:40 pm – Endocrinology**

**Case Presentations: Calcium Disorders**

**12:40 pm**

**Session Adjourns**

**Saturday, April 24th:**

**7:00 am – 7:30 am**

**Hot Breakfast**

**7:30 am – 8:30 am – Endocrinology**

**Osteoporosis Management for Primary Care**

Screening and diagnosis; ACP Guidelines; Vertebral compression fractures; The role of vitamin D and calcium supplementation; Duration of bisphosphonate therapy; Osteoporosis in men

**8:30 am – 9:30 am – Endocrinology**

**Metabolic Bone Disease**

Disorders of bone strength caused by abnormalities of minerals, vitamin D, bone mass and structure; The role of calcium and phosphorus; Osteomalacia, Paget's disease and parathyroid disorders

**9:30 am – 9:40 am**

**Coffee Break**

**9:40 am – 10:40 am – Pulmonology**

**A Primary Care Approach to Lung Cancer Screening and Pulmonary Nodules**

Appropriate use of the new lung cancer screening recommendations; Fleischner Society guidelines and American College of Chest Physician Lung Cancer guidelines; approach to definitive evaluation and management strategies

**10:40 am – 11:40 am – Infectious Disease**

**Skin and Soft-tissue Infections**

Presentation on important skin and soft-tissue infections and their prompt recognition, emphasizing evaluation and management strategies

**11:40 am – 12:40 pm – Infectious Disease**

**Immunizations Update**

Presentation on key vaccine preventable diseases and their presentations with an emphasis on the latest recommendations including newest schedules, safety and efficacy information

**12:40 pm**

**Session Adjourns**

## Sunday, April 25th:

**7:00 am – 7:30 am**

### **Continental Breakfast**

**7:30 am – 8:30 am – Infectious Disease**

#### **Gastrointestinal Infectious and Clostridioides Difficile**

Presentation on important enteric pathogens and their recognition, diagnosis and management; special emphasis on clostridioides difficile colitis and related updates from the ID and infection control literature

**8:30 am – 9:30 am – Infectious Disease**

#### **Genitourinary Diseases Update**

Presentation on a relevant and clinically practical approach to the patient with genitourinary complaints focusing on the latest guidelines for the range of urinary tract infections and highlights of selected and important sexually-transmitted disease syndromes.

**9:30 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:

- Review the diagnostic criteria and therapeutic approaches to osteoporosis and other calcium related disorders
- Diagnose and manage important infectious disease syndromes in a range of organ-based systems (gastrointestinal and skin and soft-tissue)
- Identify updates for immunizations, genitourinary infections (including selected sexually-transmitted diseases) and tuberculosis
- Identify the pathophysiology and diagnostic approach of asthma, COPD and common respiratory infections
- Design treatment strategies reflective of current evidence-based medicine for asthma, COPD and common respiratory infections
- Perform a range of pulmonary diagnostics and be better prepared to handle pulmonary nodules and lung cancer

### **Learning Outcome**

To provide updates in primary care medicine to office based providers



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This activity was planned by and for the healthcare team, and learners will receive 12 Interprofessional Continuing Education (IPCE) credits for learning and change.

### Physician Credit Designation

#### AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™

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### American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP)



This Live activity, *Endocrinology for Primary Care*, with a beginning date of April 23, 2021 has been reviewed and is acceptable for up to 12 Prescribed credits by the American Academy of Family Physicians. Physicians should only claim the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

### **American Osteopathic Association (AOA)**

This activity is approved for 12 hours in Category 2-A by the American Osteopathic Association.

### **American College of Emergency Physicians (ACEP)**

This program is approved by the American College of Emergency Physicians for a maximum of 12 hours of ACEP Category I credit.

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### **Nursing Credit Designation**

#### **American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC)**

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This activity is designated for 4.5 ANCC pharmacotherapeutic contact hours.

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Medical Education Resources (MER) designates this live continuing education activity for 12 contact hours (1.2 CEUs) of the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education.

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Credits will be uploaded into CPE Monitor within 60 days of the activity.

This activity is certified as Knowledge-based CPE.