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**INTERNAL MEDICINE FOR PRIMARY CARE:
INFECTIOUS DISEASES/RADIOLOGY/
RHEUMATOLOGY**

**Las Vegas, NV - Caesars Palace Las Vegas
May 24 - 26, 2024**

Friday, May 24, 2024

7:00 am

Registration and Breakfast

7:30 am - 8:30 am - Infectious Diseases

Skin & Soft Tissue Infections

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

8:30 am - 9:30 am - Infectious Diseases

Respiratory Tract Infections

Discussion highlighting critical points regarding the diagnosis and management of pneumonia and bronchitis – with a focus on the impact of multidrug resistant pathogens

9:30 am - 9:40 am

Coffee Break

9:40 am - 10:40 am - Infectious Diseases

Immunizations

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

10:40 am - 11:40 am - Radiology

Ultrasound Technology & Services for Primary Care

Ultrasound is a fundamental imaging technique that is used daily for a multitude of applications. This presentation will focus on the common US tests as well as the uncommon, including Musculoskeletal Ultrasound, their capabilities in enabling diagnoses of difficult clinical conditions and uses in combination with other modalities such as MRI.

11:40 am - 12:40 pm - Radiology

Appropriate Ordering of Radiologic Tests for Given Clinical Scenarios

Describe the rationale behind imaging tests that are ordered every day for various reasons, their strengths and weakness in making diagnoses, and how to use the best strategies for obtaining optimal test results. Will discuss the importance of clinical information and how to best interface with the radiologist.

12:40 pm

Session Adjourns

Saturday, May 25, 2024

7:00 am

Registration and Breakfast

7:30 am - 8:30 am - Radiology

Sports Imaging and Image Guided Interventions

Sports injuries and mechanisms; Imaging sports injuries; Image guided treatments; Advanced therapeutics: Stem cells and other biologics

8:30 am - 9:30 am - Radiology

Radiology Cases

Challenging case presentations in radiology

9:30 am - 9:40 am

Coffee Break

9:40 am - 10:40 am - Infectious Diseases

Antimicrobial Stewardship and Multidrug Resistance

Definition of an antimicrobial stewardship program (ASP); Concepts of the antimicrobial stewardship program; Four goals of antimicrobial stewardship; Most recent additions to the antimicrobial armamentarium

10:40 am - 11:40 am - Rheumatology

Evaluating the Patient with Joint Pain

Differentiating between inflammatory and non-inflammatory joint pain; The utility of joint aspiration and lab work-up with interpretation of synovial fluid analysis; Differential diagnosis of joint pain and inflammatory arthritis

11:40 am - 12:40 pm - Rheumatology

Update in Pharmacology for Arthritis

Review risks and benefits of traditional NSAIDs and cox-2 inhibitors; Analgesics (narcotics and tramadol), acetaminophen, conventional-synthetic DMARDs, and bDMARDs

12:40 pm

Session Adjourns



Sunday, May 26, 2024

7:00 am

Registration and Breakfast

7:30 am - 8:30 am - Rheumatology

Crystal Disease: Gout & Pseudogout

Properly diagnosing and treating crystal diseases such as gout and pseudogout

8:30 am - 9:30 am - Rheumatology

Fibromyalgia

Differential diagnosis and treatment of this difficult-to-manage pain syndrome; Treatment options of anti-epileptics and SNRI's

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 epidemiology and microbiology of skin and soft tissue infections (SSTI)
- List common causative pathogens for various respiratory tract infections
- Recommend appropriate immunizations based on patient specific risk factors
- List goals of an antimicrobial stewardship program and strategies for antimicrobial treatment
- Review indications and the clinical utility of ultrasound in the primary care office setting
- Describe recent advances in ultrasound technology and rationale for ordering radiologic tests
- Identify appropriate imaging for sports injuries
- Utilize case-based learning to determine appropriate radiologic tests for various conditions
- Compare and contrast inflammatory & non-inflammatory joint pain and their differential diagnoses
- Review the risks and benefits of the treatment options for arthritis (non-selective NSAIDs, cox-2 inhibitors, DMARDs, narcotics and tramadol)
- Diagnose and treat gout and pseudogout
- Compare the benefits and side effect profiles of pharmacologic treatment options for fibromyalgia

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