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**INTERNAL MEDICINE FOR PRIMARY CARE:
DERMATOLOGY/EAR, NOSE & THROAT/
NEUROLOGY/ONCOLOGY**

**Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands - Grand Cayman Marriott Resort
December 5 - 8, 2024**

Thursday, December 5, 2024

7:00 am

Registration and Breakfast

7:30 am - 8:30 am - **Neurology**

Evaluating Weakness

Using the history and physical examination to distinguish weakness from non-specific symptoms; characteristics of neurological diseases that produce weakness; presentations of representative diseases of the nervous system

8:30 am - 9:30 am - **Neurology**

Parkinson's Disease & Other Movement Disorders

Epidemiology; cardinal features; secondary features; pathology; neurochemistry; differential diagnosis; treatment; complication; other movement disorders; neuroleptic-induced movement disorders; chorea

9:30 am - 9:40 am

Coffee Break

9:40 am - 10:40 am - **Neurology**

Alzheimer's & Other Dementias

Definition; statistics; neurological changes of normal aging; pathology; etiological theories; vascular dementias; investigations; social issues; symptomatic treatment; research therapies

10:40 am - 11:40 am - **ENT**

Evaluation of the Neck Mass

Patients presenting with masses in the neck are challenging and worrisome. The diagnostic and therapeutic process is described. A method for evaluating the mass, guidance on when imaging studies are indicated, and when immediate or routine referral to ENT becomes appropriate is discussed.

11:40 am - 12:40 pm - **ENT**

Antimicrobial Therapy in Treating Sinusitis

Symptoms, signs and examination findings helpful in diagnosing sinusitis are outlined. When to use systemic and topical agents as well as emerging resistance to these agents is discussed. Imaging studies and proper referral to specialists is described with clarity.

12:40 pm

Session Adjourns

Friday, December 6, 2024

7:00 am

Registration and Breakfast

7:30 am - 8:30 am - ENT

Allergic Rhinitis

The lecture will focus on a review of the basic allergic pathways that affect the body. Special emphasis will be given to the nasal and sinus regions, with discussion to include diagnostic testing and modes of treatment, including avoidance, pharmacotherapy and immunotherapy

8:30 am - 9:30 am - ENT

A Primary Care Approach to Sudden Hearing Loss

When a patient presents with sudden hearing loss, accurate differentiation of sensorineural versus conductive loss is essential. Techniques to make that differentiation, testing and treatment strategies will be discussed; Urgent treatment and when to refer for audiometric testing and ENT referral will be outlined

9:30 am - 9:40 am

Coffee Break

9:40 am - 10:40 am - Neurology

Headaches & Migraines

Basic headache mechanisms; headache history: characteristics, precipitating factors, medical conditions; migraine: common tension, classic, treatment, complicated, cluster, sinus; trigeminal neuralgia; Giant Cell Arteritis; brain tumor; subarachnoid hemorrhage; emergency room treatment

10:40 am - 11:40 am - Dermatology

Bacterial Infections of the Skin

Impetigo, ecthyma, folliculitis, furunculosis, necrotizing fasciitis, Lyme disease, syphilis; diagnosis and management; Guidelines for antibiotic treatment; Management of special populations

11:40 am - 12:40 pm - Dermatology

Skin Manifestations of Systemic Disease

Skin will often reflect signs of systemic diseases, be useful for diagnosis, or suffer from a complication of disease or its treatment; Diagnosis of rheumatologic, endocrine, gastrointestinal, and psychologic conditions based on cutaneous findings

12:40 pm

Session Adjourns



Saturday, December 7, 2024

7:00 am

Registration and Breakfast

7:30 am - 8:30 am - Dermatology

Acne and Acneiform Eruptions

Identification of noninflammatory open or closed comedones and inflammatory lesions; Determination of treatment therapies based on acne grading scale; Bacterial folliculitis, drug-induced acne, hidradenitis suppurativa, miliaria, perioral dermatitis, pseudofolliculitis barbae, rosacea, seborrheic dermatitis; Topical and systemic therapy

8:30 am - 9:30 am - Dermatology

Cutaneous Drug Eruptions

Diagnosis and treatment of common and distinctive drug eruptions, including: urticaria, morbilliform eruptions, drug hypersensitivity syndrome (DRESS), erythema multiforme, erythema nodosum, bullous dru, photo-allergic, photo-toxic, dermatitic, fixed drug eruptions, Steven Johnson Syndrome & TEN, other unique drug eruptions

9:30 am - 9:40 am

Coffee Break

9:40 am - 10:40 am - Oncology

Cancer Prevention

Cancer screening and clinical practices shown to prevent cancer will be reviewed

10:40 am - 11:40 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

11:40 am

Session Adjourns



Sunday, December 8, 2024

7:00 am

Registration and Breakfast

7:30 am - 8:30 am - Oncology

Management of Cancer Survivors

Medical issues related to cancer survivorship and approaches to surveillance for cancer recurrence will be reviewed

8:30 am - 9:30 am - Oncology

A Primary Care Review of New Oral Anticoagulants

Mechanisms of action, clinical indications, therapeutic indices, perioperative management and approaches to reversal of new anticoagulant and antiplatelet medications will be reviewed

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:

- Utilize history and physical examination to distinguish weakness from non-specific symptoms
- Evaluate weakness and recognize cardinal features of Parkinson's disease as well as other movement disorders
- Discuss evidence-based management options for Alzheimer's disease
- Describe the differential diagnosis of headaches and migraines
- Identify when imaging and/or referral to an ENT is necessary for patients presenting with a neck mass
- Recommend appropriate systemic and/or topical antimicrobial agents for the treatment of sinusitis
- Review the basic allergic pathways that affect the body, with particular emphasis on the nasal and sinus regions
- Accurately differentiate between sensorineural and conductive hearing loss
- Perform a differential diagnosis of common bacterial skin infections and recommend appropriate treatment
- Identify cutaneous findings that serve as surrogates of internal diseases
- Describe the step-wise approach for the diagnosis and treatment of acne and acneiform eruptions
- Recognize common and distinctive cutaneous drug eruptions
- Identify clinical practices shown to prevent cancer
- Discuss the diagnostic approach to the patient with suspected cancer
- Evaluate and manage risks of the cancer survivor
- Manage patients on new oral anticoagulants



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