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## **INTERNAL MEDICINE FOR PRIMARY CARE: CARDIOLOGY/DERMATOLOGY/PULMONOLOGY**

**Washington, D.C. - The Mayflower Hotel, Autograph Collection  
April 4 - 6, 2025**

Friday, April 4, 2025

**7:00 am**

**Registration and Breakfast**

**7:30 am - 8:30 am - Cardiology**

**Work-up of Patients with Suspected CAD**

Risk factor evaluation and risk assessment models; Test selection including ECG, echo, nuclear and newer imaging modalities (including discussion of appropriate use criteria--AUC); The usefulness of CT scanning; The role of bio markers and EBCT; Suspected CAD in special populations (women, diabetics, the elderly)

**8:30 am - 9:30 am - Cardiology**

**Arrhythmias**

Types and symptoms of arrhythmias; Approach to the patient: when to treat, when to refer, when to admit; Evaluation of the patient with palpitations; Atrial fibrillation: the use of anticoagulants indications, CVA risk scores, warfarin vs newer oral anticoagulants, controlling heart rate vs rhythm; Ventricular and other arrhythmias: when are they serious

**9:30 am - 9:40 am**

**Coffee Break**

**9:40 am - 10:40 am - Cardiology**

**Hypertension**

The latest 2017 Multisociety Hypertension Guidelines; Updates after the guidelines; Approaches to treatment--thresholds and goals; Choices for initial and combination therapy; Resistant hypertension; Treating special populations: diabetics, the elderly, patients with renal failure

**10:40 am - 11:40 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

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

**12:40 pm**

**Session Adjourns**

**Saturday, April 5, 2025**

**7:00 am**

**Registration and Breakfast**

**7:30 am - 8:30 am - Pulmonology**

**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

**8:30 am - 9:30 am - Pulmonology**

**Lung Cancer Screening & 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

**9:30 am - 9:40 am**

**Coffee Break**

**9:40 am - 10:40 am - Cardiology**

**Acute Coronary Syndromes: The Patient with Acute Chest Pain**

Diagnosis and initial evaluation in the primary care setting, urgent care clinic and emergency department; Initial workup, treatment, and follow-up; Diagnosing and treating ST segment elevation and non-ST segment elevation MIs; The role of drug therapy--primary vs adjunctive to PCI; Follow up after acute coronary syndromome

**10:40 am - 11:40 am - Dermatology**

**Benign Skin Tumors**

Proper diagnosis and treatment of common benign tumors; Biopsies and histopathologic examination; Nevi, seborrheic keratosis keloids, hemangiomas and miscellaneous tumors; When to refer

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

**Premalignant and Malignant Skin Tumors**

Recognition of precursors of malignancies; Excisional and punch biopsies; Actinic keratosis, Bowen's disease, squamous cell carcinoma, basal cell carcinoma, melanoma and other selected tumors; Risk reduction education

**12:40 pm**

**Session Adjourns**

**Sunday, April 6, 2025**

**7:00 am**

**Registration and Breakfast**

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

**8:30 am - 9:30 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

**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:

- Describe the work-up, risk assessment and test selection of patients with suspected CAD
- Describe current diagnostic and treatment approaches to arrhythmias and atrial fibrillation
- Explain current concepts in the diagnosis and treatment of hypertension
- Describe current diagnostic approaches and the role of drug therapy to the patient with acute chest pain
- Diagnose and manage patients with asthma
- Design treatment strategies reflective of current evidence-based medicine for common respiratory infections
- Describe the current therapeutic management of COPD
- Discuss diagnosis and screening strategies as well as treatment plans for lung nodules and lung cancer
- Differentiate benign and malignant skin tumors and employ appropriate interoffice procedures
- Detect pre-cancerous and cancerous skin lesions
- 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



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### American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP)

Application for CME credit has been filed with the American Academy of Family Physicians. Determination of credit is pending.

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