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News

April 2013 News

SAMG Spring Education Symposium

On April 19th, the Saint Alphonsus Medical Group will hold its Annual Spring Symposium focused on "Best Practice Medicine". Dr. Karl Kern, Professor of Cardiology at the University of Arizona School of Medicine will lead a stellar faculty for a day of primary care CME.

The meeting will be held in the McCleary Auditorium beginning at 8:00 a.m. The meeting will include lunch, is free to all interested physicians and will offer 7 Category I hours of CME.

Physician Perspectives on CME

Rutger University recently completed a survey of the relevance physicians give CME. Of 902 respondents 88% stated that accredited CME programs directly impacts patient care, 84% believed they would benefit by participating in more accredited CME in their specific therapeutic area of practice and 75% said they apply information learned from CME to patient treatment "often". Compared to other forms of information to which physicians have access CME consistently ranks the highest.

On a scale of 1 to 5, where 1 is least valuable and 5 is most valuable the 902 ranked the value of CME to their professional practice. Accredited CME ranked 4.8. Speaker Bureau programs ranked 3.5 and promotional or non-certified education as 2.5

CME certainly evolves in a state of change. No matter how the future alters health delivery CME will remain an intrinsic element in a medical career.

Upcoming Conferences

5/17-19/2013 IAFP Conference, Boise
Contact: Neva Santos idafoafp@aol.com

7/26-28/2013 IMA Annual Meeting, Sun Valley
Contact: Erin Trimble erin@idmed.org

Regularly Scheduled Conferences

Wednesday, 8:00 a.m. - Anderson Center

Wednesday, 12:15 p.m. - Winter Room

Friday, 8:00 a.m. - McCleary Auditorium

Other Regularly Scheduled Conferences

St Luke's RMC

Thoracic Tumor Board - 1st & 3rd Tuesday, 7:00 a.m

Tumor Board - Tuesday, 12:00 noon

Breast Tumor Board - Thursday, 7 a.m.

MSTI Pediatric Tumor Board - 2nd & 4th Wednesday, 12 noon

CHEERS (Children's Hospital Education Enrichment Review) - 1st Thursday, 8 am

Anderson Center - Ada -2; MATCH 2nd Thursday, 8 am

Saint Alphonsus RMC - Nampa

Tumor Board- Tuesday, 12 noon

West Valley Medical Center

Tumor Board - Monday, 12:30 pm

Saint Alphonsus RMC - Boise

Tumor Board - Thursday, 12 noon

Breast Care Panel, Tuesday, 7:00 am

ACMS Society News

MEMBERSHIP:

New Members: Nathan Green, MD - Interventional Cardiology, Joshua Durham, DO - Family Medicine

Kristin Linzmeyer, MD - Cardiovascular Disease, Becky Benz, MD - Radiology

UPCOMING EVENTS:

May 23, 2013 ACMS Foundation Fund Raiser

June 6, 2013 ACMS Annual High School Physicals, Contact Linda Jackson at 336-2930 or e-mail -

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On The Lighter Side

What's Ahead

May 2013

1 Vitamin D, Michael Holick, PhD, MD

- 3 Sexual Assault, Ashley King, MD
- 8 Thyroid Case Studies, Sarah Staller, MD
- 10 Wrist Injuries, Scot Scheffel, MD
- 15 St. Luke's Children's Hospital, Grand Rounds, Childhood Diabetes Update, Daniel Flynn, MD
- 17 TBA, Speaker TBA
- 22 Immunizations, Kristen Feenster, MD
- 24 Patient Centered Medical Home Update, Megan Dunay, MD
- 29 Bariatric Update 2013, Robert Korn, MD
- 31 TBA, Speaker TBA

June 2013

- 5 The Opioid Epidemic: An Update, Allyson Bateman, MD
- 7 TBA, Speaker TBA
- 12 TBA, Speaker TBA
- 14 Chronic Opiate Use in Pregnancy: Management and Risk Reduction, Patrick Kinney, MD
- 19 St. Luke's Children's Hospital, Grand Rounds, St. Luke's Pediatric Research, Mark Roberts, MD
- 21 TBA, Speaker TBA
- 26 Topic TBA, Richard York
- 28 TBA, Speaker TBA

(Wednesday, 8:00am/St. Luke's RMC; Wednesday, 12:15pm/Mercy Medical Center; Friday, 8:00am/Saint Alphonsus RMC)

Mohr's Musings...

Preserving the Passion for Medicine

Now more than ever our profession needs people who are excited about the practice of medicine. Given the changes occurring, i.e. evidence based protocols, accountable care organizations, pay for performance, bundled payments, and a rush to hospital salaried positions replacing traditional fee for service medicine. It's too easy to say "I quit, medicine is no longer the profession to which I would encourage young people to join."

Consider for a moment what you have, a job and multiple options for employment. How though do we make it more than a mere job?

Few physicians are immune to the satisfaction of helping people who are worried and in pain, especially when our interventions are successful. Too often though patients continue to suffer and complain despite our best efforts, and they test our patience and compassion. We often yield to our cynical side and disparage them with pejoratives inconsistent with our calling.

Here are a few suggestions to consider:

Become an expert at something that interests you in your practice. Find your niche, cultivate and refine it.

Delegate tasks you dislike. Don't get bogged down in paperwork.

Don't over extend yourself emotionally or physically. Learn to say "no" or "I don't know." Stay physically and emotionally fit.

Have a life outside of medicine. Pursue hobbies with passion. Make time for family and friends.

Nurture your spiritual beliefs and come to terms with your own mortality.

Cultivate the intellectual side of medicine by staying involved in CME activities. Don't let your reading

become perfunctory. Become a and teacher and mentor to students and residents.

Don't over extend yourself financially. A wise physician once said that the greatest challenge that a physician faces is the challenge of a successful practice.

Be humbled by the honor of a profession that allows us to participate in the lives of people, often from birth to death. Nothing will ever replace the heart and the hand of a bringer of hope.

John J. Mohr, M.D.

Weekly Conferences

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Anderson Center, St. Luke's RMC, Wednesday 8:00 a.m.

- 3 Male Infertility, Robert Jackson, MD
- 10 Hepatitis B & C in Pregnancy, Penny Beach, MD
- 17 Issues of a Pediatric Eye, Daniel Brooks, MD
- 24 The Medical Competency, Evaluation, Wendy Grace, MD

Winter Room, Saint Alphonsus RMC - Nampa, Wednesday 12:15 p.m.

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AW Horsley, VA Medical Center, Thursday 8:00 a.m.

- 4 Hypogonadism, Alvin Matsumoto, MD
- 11 Joint Infections, Greg Gardner, MD
- 18 Management of Ischemic Stroke, Arielle Davis, MD
- 25 TAVR, Robert Duerr, MD

McCleary Auditorium, Saint Alphonsus RMC, Friday 8:00 a.m.

- 5 Oral and Facial Trauma, Cole Anderson, DMD, MS
- 12 Critical Care Case Conference, Speaker TBA
- 19 Optimal Post Cardiac Arrest Care. Karl Kern, MD
- 26 Case of Athletic Pubalgia, Andrea Buckler, DO

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