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News

November 2014 News

Ebola Resources

In response to the Ebola public health emergency, the American Hospital Association (AHA) released an Ebola education package through ACCME. This package contains information that the AHA believes would be useful to healthcare providers and institutions. Links to the information are available at the ACMEC website and include:

- [Informational PowerPoint: Ebola Facts](#)
- [FAQ: Safe Management of Patients with Ebola Virus Disease \(EVD\) in US Hospitals](#)
- [Ebola Facts: Hospital Preparedness Checklist](#)
- [Ebola Facts: Surgical Protocol-Possible or Confirmed Ebola Cases](#)
- [Ebola Practice Evidence Classification Chart](#)
- [Ebola Facts: Clinical Progression of Ebola](#)
- [Ebola Facts: Revised Guidance on PPE for Healthcare Workers; Recommended Administrative and Environmental Controls for Healthcare Facilities](#)

Additional resources can be found at:

- Centers for Disease Control's **Ebola** page:
<http://www.cdc.gov/vhf/ebola/index.html>
- American Hospital Association's **Ebola Preparedness Resources**:
<http://www.aha.org/advocacy-issues/emergreadiness/ebola.shtml>
- American Medical Association's **Ebola Resource Center**:
<http://www.ama-assn.org/ama/pub/physician-resources/public-health/ebola-resource-center.page>

Sunshine Act Update

The Physician Payments Sunshine Act requires manufacturers of drugs, medical devices and biologicals that participate in U.S. federal health care programs to report certain payments and items of value given to

physicians and teaching hospitals. The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has been charged with implementing the Sunshine Act and has called it the Open Payments Program. As part of this program, manufacturers are now required to submit reports on payment, transfer and ownership information.

Under this program, physicians' financial data was released to the public on September 30th and is available at cms.gov/openpayments. Physicians who weren't able to review their data by the September 11th deadline to flag any disputed information in the initial public data release can still do so now. According to the American Medical Association (AMA), CMS is withholding one-third of the data from the initial public release as a result of concerns about accuracy. Much of the remaining two-thirds of data that will be released in the public database has yet to be verified by physicians and other covered recipients. Physicians still have until December 31st to file disputes for any inaccurate information that should be corrected in the next data release. View instructions for doing so on the [AMA's Sunshine Act Web page: http://www.ama-assn.org/ama/pub/advocacy/topics/sunshine-act-and-physician-financial-transparency-reports.page](http://www.ama-assn.org/ama/pub/advocacy/topics/sunshine-act-and-physician-financial-transparency-reports.page).

Upcoming Conferences

November 6-8, 2014: Ski and Mountain Trauma Conference
Information and online registration at <http://www.event.com/events/ski-and-mountain-trauma-conference/event-summary-d25b4ab462554f1c91cf3954d043c894.aspx>.

January 15-18, 2015: 38th Annual Hindson Winter Conference
Information and online registration at <http://www.hindsonfoundation.com/WinterConference.aspx>. For questions, email contact@hindsonfoundation.com.

February 19-22, 2015: Ada County Medical Society Winter Clinics
For questions, email director@adamedicalsociety.org.

March 13-14, 2015: ALSO® Advanced Life Support in Obstetrics
Questions and registration available from Mary Ball at mary.ball@fmridaho.org or 208-954-8743

Regularly Scheduled Conferences

St. Luke's Regional Medical Center

General Tumor Board

Thursday, 12 noon

Thoracic Tumor Board

1st & 3rd Tuesday, 7:00 a.m.

Breast Tumor Board

Thursday, 7:00 a.m.

G.I. Tumor Board

3rd Thursday, 7:00 a.m.

For location, contact Barbara Kisse: kisseeb@slhs.org

Pediatric Tumor Board

2nd & 4th Wednesday, 12 noon

CHEER

1st Thursday, 8:00 a.m., Anderson Center

For more information, contact Karla Dickson: dicksoka@slhs.org

MATCH

4th Thursday, 8:00 a.m., Anderson Center
For more information, contact Karla Dickson: dicksoka@slhs.org

Saint Alphonsus Regional Medical Center - Boise

Tumor Board
Thursday, 12 noon

Breast Care Panel
Tuesday, 7:00 a.m.

Saint Alphonsus Medical Center - Nampa

Tumor Clinic
Tuesday, 12:00 noon

Breast Care Panel
2nd & 4th Wednesday, 7:00 a.m.

West Valley Medical Center

Tumor Board
Monday, 12:30 p.m.

ACMS Society News

New Members

Elizabeth Kendrick, MD
Amber Messier-Gieri, MD

Activities

November 7, 2014: New Physicians Dinner & Annual Meeting at the Riverside Hotel

November 19, 2014: Physician / Legislator Meeting at the Riverside Hotel

December 2, 2014: Winter Garden a'Glow at the Idaho Botanical Garden

February 19 - 22, 2015: Winter Clinics at Shore Lodge in McCall

Questions? Please email director@adamedicalsociety.org or call 208-336-2930.

What's Ahead

December 2014

3 When is a Patient Dead?

Rev. Alex Chamberlain and John Jambura, MD

5 When is a Patient Dead?

Rev. Alex Chamberlain and Kevin Clifford, MD

10 St. Luke's Children's Hospital Grand Rounds:

Case Management

Greg Janos, MD

12 Palliative Care for Primary Care

Kevin Clifford, MD

17 Lung Cancer Screening

Matthew Schoolfield, MD
19 New Concepts in Prevention and Treatment of Late-life Depression
Abhilash Desai, MD
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January 2015

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7 Idaho Epidemiology Update
Chris Hahn, MD
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Chris Hahn, MD
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Patrick Farrell, MD
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Evaluation and Management of the Suspected Overdose Patient
Ron Kirschner, MD
23 Drugs of Abuse: What's New on the Street?
Ron Kirschner, MD
28 Hepatitis C: Navigating the New Treatment Landscape
Christopher Hammerle, MD
30 Total Ankle Replacement: Alternative to Fusion
Michael Coughlin, MD and Christopher Hirose, MD

Wednesday, 8:00 a.m.: St. Luke's RMC | Friday, 8:00 a.m.: Saint Alphonsus RMC

Guest Columnist

A Call for Advance Care Planning

By Dr. Stephen Montamat
Geriatrician, St. Luke's Internal Medicine

How many of us have purchased a lottery ticket for a mega jackpot and then dreamed of the possibilities that winning a huge sum of money would bring us? For most of us, we are more likely to be struck by lightning or bitten by a shark than to win the lottery, but that does not keep many from plopping down a buck or two to stimulate the endorphins in our brain.

Now, how many of us have envisioned the possibilities of serious illness or death happening to ourselves? The chance of the latter occurring is still trending at a 100%. And it is becoming more likely that over our lifetime we will personally face a time of serious illness. How much planning do we consider for these certain or near certain events?

We plan for births, graduations, weddings, anniversaries, vacations, natural disasters, and Ebola outbreaks. But preparation for the implications of serious illness or death on ourselves and our families is sorely lacking, many times leaving us with hasty decisions in acute situations amidst the vagaries of our current health care system.

In October, the fledgling Idaho Community Initiative on Advance Care Planning (ICIACP) held a leadership engagement session. This initiative includes a variety of community stakeholders addressing the need for a patient's informed choices of care to be discussed, documented, and followed. We learned of how the community of La Crosse, Wisconsin has successfully developed and implemented a community-wide system

called Respecting Choices. This systematic approach has resulted not only in over 90% of patients having a meaningful advance care plan but also universally carrying out the care plan as per the patient's wishes.

There are multiple lessons learned over the 20+ year evolution of the La Crosse initiative. First of all, there needs to be a commitment from the medical leadership as well as a broad coalition of stakeholders, including legal, religious, and culturally diverse persons. There also needs to be commitment to a system like we have with emergency medical systems where every component is known to be critical, including trained staff. We also need to realize that this is what our patients want and need. An Idaho statewide survey showed that 92% of Idahoans feel comfortable talking about death. There is also mounting evidence that advance care planning can lead to less suffering for both patients and their families. If it were a drug, it would be malpractice not to prescribe it. So, I look forward to the efforts of the ICIACP in the coming months and years to implement a reliable and efficient system that allows us to follow through on our patients' wishes.

I would suggest that there is no greater earthly gift that we can give ourselves and our families than thoughtful discussion about our goals, values, and beliefs, both before and during times of serious illness.

Even better than winning the lottery.

For more information on ICIACP, go to <http://hs.boisestate.edu/csa/idaho-community-initiative-on-advance-care-planning-iciacp/>.

For resources on advance care planning, go to <http://www.idqol.org/page/planning>.

Weekly Conferences

November 2014

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

5 Acute and Chronic Sinus Disease

Peter Killian, MD

12 Fascia and Ligament Dysfunction: A Treatable Source of Chronic Pain

Monte Moore, MD

19 St. Luke's Children's Hospital Grand Rounds - Child Predators: Motives, Opportunity and Protection of Our Children

Amy Barton, MD

26 Neuroimaging and Intervention in the Acute Stroke Patient

Anthony Giauque, MD

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

6 Antibiotic Stewardship

Karl Madaras-Kelly, PharmD, MPH

13 Colorectal Cancer Treatment

Ben Karsten, MD

20 TBD*

Birgitt Dau, MD

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Saint Alphonsus Regional Medical Center, McCleary Auditorium, Friday 8:00 a.m.

7 Craniocervical Injuries

Richard Lochhead, MD

14 Conversations in Diabetes

Julie Foote, MD

21 Primary Care Management of the Transplant Patient: What you need to know

Elizabeth Kendrick, MD

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[Check ACMEC website for updated information](#)*

To view Grand Rounds remotely via WebEx:

1. Go to www.webex.com
2. Select **Join** (top right corner of screen)
3. Enter **Meeting Number** 194 458 532 for Wednesday morning Grand Rounds at St. Luke's or 733 632 463 for Friday morning Grand Rounds at Saint Alphonsus, along with your name and email address.
4. Audio will come through the computer so be sure your speakers are turned on.
5. If you are using a mobile device you may want to download the WebEx App.

Should you have any questions, please contact us at acmec@acmec.org.

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