

**2014 ACG Eastern Regional Postgraduate Course**  
**June 7-8, 2014**  
**Washington Marriott Marquis, Washington, DC**

**A Case Based Approach to Complex GI Problems**

Hot Topics in Luminal GI, Debates in IBD, Liver, Esophagus, Celiac Sprue, and Endoscopy are this year's sessions for the 2014 ACG Eastern Regional Postgraduate Course. This year's course will be held at the Washington Marriott Marquis, a new hotel in the heart of downtown Washington, DC.

Course Directors Kathy P. Bull-Henry, MD, FACG and Miguel D. Regueiro, MD, FACG have brought together a well known panel of experts who will provide a case-based approach to treatment. Faculty will present clinically relevant, but challenging cases, routinely encountered by the community practitioner. The course will also feature hands-on sessions and breakout session on Saturday afternoon. Breakout sessions include such topics as Eosinophilic Esophagitis, IBD, Endoscopic Techniques, and Achalasia.

The Washington Marriott Marquis is central to popular attractions in DC. Opening in Spring 2014, the hotel is within short walking distance to many subway stops, including McPherson Square/7<sup>th</sup> St. Convention Center on the Yellow and Green lines, and Metro Center on the Red, Blue and Orange lines. The hotel is also in close proximity to Union Station for those on the Northeast Corridor taking Amtrak to DC. From the hotel, you will be a short walk or metro stop to many attractions, including the White House, the National Mall, National Portrait Gallery, The International Spy Museum, the Theatre District, the Newseum, and the Smithsonian Museums.

From the hotel, walk 6-8 blocks west to the White House. From the White House, proceed south, about two blocks, towards Constitution Avenue and the National Mall. Just across the street is the Washington Monument and you can also walk to the World War II Memorial, Vietnam Memorial, Korean Memorial, the Reflecting Pool and the Lincoln Memorial. Across the street from the Lincoln Memorial, at 22<sup>nd</sup> and Constitution Ave., is the Albert Einstein statue. You'll find many popular museums located on Constitution Avenue and the National Mall.

There are plenty of attractions in Washington, DC, so plan a couple extra days to explore the city. For more on what there is to do and see in Washington, DC, visit [Washington.org](http://Washington.org).

## **Agenda**

### **Saturday, June 7**

- 7:00 am            Continental Breakfast and Visit Exhibits
- 7:30 am            Welcome and Introductions - Course Directors

#### **Hot Topics in Luminal GI: IBS and *Clostridium Difficile***

*Moderator: Kathy P. Bull-Henry, MD, FACG*

- 7:35 am            **Management of IBS - What's New?**  
*William D. Chey, MD, FACG*  
Identify new treatment concepts in the management of irritable bowel syndrome.
- 7:55 am            **Management of *C. difficile* Colitis**  
*Christina M. Surawicz, MD, MACG*  
Compare and contrast treatment options for *C. difficile* in 2014 and the challenges in eradicating this difficult infection.
- 8:15 am            Q & A

### **Debates in IBD**

## **Mucosal Healing in IBD**

Implement strategies to improve inflammation, while recognizing the importance of mucosal healing, in patients with IBD.

- 8:35 am      **Clinical Case Presentation for Mucosal Healing Debate**  
*Moderator: Miguel D. Regueiro, MD, FACG*
- 8:40 am      **Treat Symptoms but Accept Some Mucosal Inflammation**  
*James D. Lewis, MD*
- 8:55 am      **Maximize, Optimize, Combine Medications to Heal the Mucosa**  
*David T. Rubin, MD, FACG*
- 9:10 am      Case Conclusion, Panel Discussion, Q&A and cases from audience
- Management of Postoperative Crohn's Disease**  
Discuss treatment strategies for patients undergoing intestinal resection for Crohn's disease and determine whether starting medications immediately after surgery improves long term outcomes compared to waiting for endoscopic recurrence.
- 9:35 am      **Clinical Case Presentation for Postoperative Crohn's Disease Management**  
*Moderator: David T. Rubin, MD, FACG*
- 9:40 am      **Start Preventative Medicines Immediately after Surgery**  
*Miguel D. Regueiro, MD, FACG*
- 9:55 am      **Wait to Treat until Endoscopic Evidence of Crohn's Disease**  
*Raymond Cross, MD*
- 10:10 am     Case Conclusion, Panel Discussion, Q&A and cases from audience
- 10:35 am     Break / Visit Exhibits

## **Liver**

*Moderator: James H. Lewis, MD, FACG*

- 11:00 am      **Management of Hepatitis C: What's Old, What's New and What's Best?**  
*James H. Lewis, MD, FACG*  
Define the evolving options for treatment of hepatitis C based on genotypes.
- 11:20 am      **Management of the Coinfected HIV/HCV Patient**  
*Hugo Vargas, MD*  
Identify the optimal management strategies for patients coinfectd with hepatitis B.
- 11:40 am      **Management of Complications of NASH: When to Biopsy? How to Treat?**  
*Alison Jazwinski, MD*  
Outline the approach to diagnose and treat NASH.
- 12:00 noon    Panel Discussion and Q&A
- 12:20 pm      Break for Lunch
- 12:30 pm      **Lunch talk: Political Update**  
*TBD*
- 1:30 pm      Break / Visit Exhibits

2:00 pm-6:00 pm      **Hands-on Workshops and Breakout Sessions**

2:00 pm-2:45 pm      Breakout Sessions 1 and 2  
3:00 pm-3:45 pm      Breakout Sessions 3 and 4  
4:00pm -4:45 pm      Breakout Sessions 1 and 2 repeat  
5:00 pm-5:45 pm      Breakout Sessions 3 and 4 repeat

Breakout 1      **Eosinophilic Esophagitis**  
*Ikuo Hirano, MD, FACG*  
**Discuss** the diagnostic approach for eosinophilic esophagitis and options for treatment.  
Case presentation  
Q&A session

Breakout 2      **Endoscopic Hemostasis Techniques in GI Bleeding**  
*Kathy P. Bull-Henry, MD, FACG*  
Summarize the endoscopic approaches to common GI disorders, such as GI bleeding, luminal strictures, and polyps.  
Case presentation  
Q and A session

Breakout 3      **IBD: What to do when an infection or malignancy develops in the setting of an immunomodulator or biologic?**  
*Miguel D. Regueiro, MD, FACG*  
Determine the best approach for managing patients who develop an adverse event while on an immunomodulator or biologic.  
Case presentation  
Q and A session

Breakout 4      **Management of Achalasia**  
*Nicholas Shaheen, MD, FACG*  
Outline the options for managing patients with achalasia.  
Case presentation  
Q and A session

**Sunday, June 8**

7:00 am      Continental Breakfast and Exhibits

7:55 am      Welcome and Announcements - Course Directors

**Debates**      **Esophagus**

8:00 am      **Case Presentation of Barrett's Esophagus**  
*Nicholas Shaheen, MD, FACG*  
Summarize the options for managing Barrett's esophagus and the advantages/disadvantages to ablation versus non-ablative therapy.

8:05 am      **Ablate Everything, Don't Bother with Anything Else**  
*Kevin M. McGrath, MD*

8:20 am      **Ablation Should Be the Last Resort**  
*Ikuo Hirano, MD, FACG*

8:35 am      Case Conclusion and Q&A

9:00 am      **Case Presentation of GERD Refractory to PPI**

*Moderator: Kevin M. McGrath, MD*

Identify the best approach for treating GERD refractory to PPI therapy.

- 9:05 am            **Wrap It and Call It a Day**  
*Blair Jobe, MD*
- 9:20 am            **Hold the Wrap, There's So Much More That Can Be Done**  
*Nicholas Shaheen, MD, FACG*
- 9:35 am            Case Conclusion and Q&A
- 10:00 am           Break / Visit Exhibits

### **Celiac Sprue**

*Moderator: Miguel D. Regueiro, MD, FACG*

- 10:20 am           **Case Presentation of a Patient with Celiac Sprue and Ongoing Symptoms/Abnormal Biopsies**  
Summarize the management options for celiac sprue, and the treatment options when diet is not effective.
- 10:25 am           **Diet Is the Answer, Don't Give Up**  
*Ciaran Kelly, MD*
- 10:40 am           **Diet Isn't Working, We Need to Do Something Else**  
*Peter H. Green, MD, FACG*
- 10:55 am           Case Conclusion and Q&A

### **Endoscopy**

*Moderator: Kathy P. Bull-Henry, MD, FACG*

- 11:20 am           **Pancreatic Cysts: What is Benign versus Not-so-benign**  
*Asif Khalid, MD*  
Analyze the diagnostic and therapeutic algorithms for pancreatic cyst; provide management recommendations for patients with pancreatic cysts.
- 11:40 noon        **Approach to the Biliary Stricture**  
*Steven A. Edmundowicz, MD*  
Discuss the differential diagnosis of biliary strictures and the therapeutic options.
- 12:00 noon        Q&A
- 12:15 pm           Adjourn

### **Program Description**

The introduction and advances of innovative diagnostic techniques and novel therapeutics has created an exciting range of approaches to many important areas of GI disease and patient care. This program is designed to address those compelling and controversial areas in the care of patients with gastrointestinal disease. During this course, multiple topics will be covered including hepatitis, IBD, celiac sprue, esophagus, health care reform, endoscopic techniques, and healthcare reform. The structure of the program includes a mix of didactic presentations delivered by expert faculty, interactive audience discussions as well as significant question and answer opportunities. Hands-on sessions will also be offered.

This program is designed for gastroenterologists, gastroenterology trainees, primary care physicians, nurses, physician assistants and nurse practitioners interested in the latest information on diagnostic GI and state of the art treatment of these illnesses.

**Accreditation/CME**

The American College of Gastroenterology is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education to provide continuing medical education for physicians. The American College of Gastroenterology designates this live activity for a maximum of 12 *AMA PRA Category 1 Credits*™. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity. Hands-on sessions provide a valuable learning opportunity for attendees, though no CME will be provided.

**Accommodations**

The program will be held at the new Washington Marriott Marquis in the heart of downtown Washington, DC. The Washington Marriott Marquis is within short walking distance to many subway stops, including McPherson Square/7<sup>th</sup> St. Convention Center on the Yellow and Green lines, and Metro Center on the Red, Blue and Orange lines. The hotel is also in close proximity to Union Station for those on the Northeast Corridor taking Amtrak to Washington, DC. From the hotel, you will be a short walk or metro stop to many attractions, including the White House, the National Mall, National Portrait Gallery, The International Spy Museum, the Theatre District, the Newseum, and the Smithsonian Museums.

To make reservations, please contact the Washington Marriott Marquis at 1-888-236-2427. Special meeting rates per night are \$199 plus tax (tax is currently 14.50%) for single or double. Additional fees of service charge and tax may apply. The hotel accepts MasterCard, VISA, American Express, Discover, and Diner's Club. Reservations must be made by May 15, 2014. There are a limited number of rooms available at the meeting rate. There is no guarantee that rooms will be available up to the deadline date, and there is no guarantee that rooms will be available at the ACG meeting rate. Rates quoted are on a space available basis only. Once ACG's room block is sold out, the hotel may charge a higher rate for any additional rooms made available. Cancellations made within 24 hours of arrival will be penalized for one night's room and tax. Cancellations made prior to 24 hours will not be penalized. Check-in is 3:00 pm. Check-out is 12:00 noon. The fee for in-room internet is \$12.95 per day. Valet parking is \$40 per day. The hotel is located at 901 Massachusetts Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20001.

**Registration**

The registration fee includes a course syllabus. All registrants must pay the full registration fee; one-day registration or other partial registration is not available. Full refund of registration fees will be given, less a \$25 administrative fee, if written notice of cancellation is received by ACG by May 16, 2014. No refunds will be given after this date. Attendees may register by submitting the enclosed registration form with payment in U.S. funds to the College headquarters by fax to 301-263-9025, by mail to ACG, 6400 Goldsboro Road, Suite 200, Bethesda, MD 20817, or online at [gi.org/education-and-meetings/regional-meetings](http://gi.org/education-and-meetings/regional-meetings).

**More Information**

For more information about this ACG meeting, call ACG at 301-263-9000. Americans with Disabilities Act: Attendees of this ACG Course who need additional reasonable accommodations or who have special needs (including dietary needs) should contact the ACG office at 301-263-9000 no later than May 16, 2014.