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18th Annual Interdisciplinary Conference on Supportive Care, Hospice and Palliative Medicine September 5-6, 2014

FEATURING:

Diane Meier, MD - Mount Sinai Hospital

Paul Jacobsen, PhD - Moffitt Cancer Center

A Review Course will be offered prior to the Conference

Updates in Hospice and Palliative Medicine and Intensive Physician Board Review September 2-4, 2014

Post Board Review Webinar Sessions for Physicians

The University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center
Main Building, Hickey Auditorium, Floor 11
1515 Holcombe Boulevard, Houston, Texas

18th Annual Interdisciplinary Conference on Supportive Care, Hospice and Palliative

Goal

Palliative, alternative, complementary, and integrative medicine are all areas of patient care with limited research to support best practice. Many physicians are unaware of the need for whole-patient care and attention to quality of life improvements outside treatment of the primary disease. While cancer therapies are indeed crucial, the evolution of non-traditional health care settings places increasing emphasis on supportive care methods to improve quality of life for patients with advanced disease.

Caring for the cancer patient in the advanced stages of disease is particularly challenging to the healthcare team. It requires attending to the many dimensions of care including medical, psychosocial, ethical, and spiritual needs. In its 18th year, the Interdisciplinary Conference on Supportive Care, Hospice & Palliative Medicine continues to offer participants educational updates to help them successfully implement new techniques and treatments in clinical practice to improve patient care and outcomes.

Educational Objectives

After attending the conference, participants should be able to

- practice and implement appropriate symptom management for patients with advanced disease (*knowledge, competence, performance*);
- accurately diagnose and treat cancer pain without introducing further complications to improve patient outcomes (*knowledge, competence*);
- correctly identify opportunities in palliative care to incorporate supportive care strategies for the patient's benefit (*knowledge, competence, performance, patient outcomes*);
- effectively communicate with coworkers and patients who are in advanced stages of cancer or another debilitation disease (*knowledge, competence, performance, patient outcomes*);
- apply palliative care principles earlier and to patients outside the traditional palliative care settings or with life-threatening diseases other than cancer (*knowledge, competence, performance*).

Target Audience

This program should be of interest to palliative care or hospice physicians, oncologists, internal medicine physicians, family practice physicians, psychiatrists, and/or anesthesiologists. Other professionals including: hospice, nursing, psychology, chaplaincy, ethics, and/or sociology.

Educational Methods

Lectures • Workshop Sessions • Case Studies

Evaluation

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Ethics

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Nursing

The University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center is an approved provider of continuing nursing education by the Texas Nurses Association, an accredited approver by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation.

Nursing Continuing Education Contact Hours will be awarded.

CME Certificates and Attendance Verification Certificates

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Medicine • September 5–6, 2014

Friday, September 5, 2014

3:45

7:15 am On-Site Registration / Continental Breakfast

7:45 **Welcome**
Sriram Yennu, MD

8:00 **Role of Chemical Coping in Management of Symptoms**
Eduardo Bruera, MD

9:00 **11th Annual John Mendelsohn Award 2014 Ceremony and Introduction of Speaker**
Eduardo Bruera, MD

9:15 **11th Annual John Mendelsohn Award for Outstanding Contributions in the Development of the Field of Palliative Care**
Integration of Palliative Care into All Clinical Settings in the United States: Challenges and Opportunities.
Diane Meier, MD

10:15 Break

WORKSHOPS

1. **Communication Workshop: How to Break Bad News**
(Part 1 of 2 - see Friday Workshop @ 11:30 am)
*both sessions must be attended - seating is limited
Daniel Epner, MD

2. **A Guide to Understanding Surgeons and Surgical Palliation**
Brian Badgwell, MD

3. **Dyspnea - Moving Beyond Oxygen**
David Hui, MD and Kenneth Unger, MD

4. **Lymphedema Update - Pathophysiology, Diagnosis and Management including the Role of Exercise**
Rajesh Yadav, MD

WORKSHOPS

1. **Communication Workshop: How to Break Bad News**
(Part 2 of 2 - see Friday Workshop @ 10:30 am)
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Daniel Epner, MD

2. **The Heart of the Hereafter: Love Stories from the End-of-Life**
Marcia Brennan, PhD

3. **The Frequency of Missed Delirium (MD) in a Comprehensive Cancer Center**
Julieta Fajardo, RN and Maxine de la Cruz, MD

4. **Maximizing Quality of Life, Dignity and Engagement in Meaningful Activity with Occupational Therapy**
Mack Ivy, OTR

12:30 pm Lunch (provided)

1:15 **Introduction of the Debra Sivesind Career Award and Lecture**
Eduardo Bruera, MD

Developing and Implementing Standards for Psychosocial Care of Adults with Cancer
Paul Jacobsen, PhD

2:30 **Role of Palliative Care in Addressing the Needs of Older Cancer Patients**
Diane Meier, MD

3:30 Break

RAPID FIRE SESSIONS

Facilitators: Donna Zhukovsky, MD and David Hui, MD

1. **A Multidisciplinary Assessment and Follow-up Questionnaire of Palliative Sedation: The Experience of Hospice Bentivoglio**
Matteo Moroni, PhD

2. **Psycho-social and Physical Condition in Italian Advanced Cancer Patients**
Samantha Serpentine, MD

3. **Decision Making Styles of Seriously Ill Male Veterans for End-of-Life Care: Autonomists, Altruists, Authorizers, Absolute Trusters and Avoiders**
Ursula Braun, MD

4. **The Frequency of Missed Delirium (MD) in a Comprehensive Cancer Center**
Maxine de la Cruz, MD

5. **Phase Angle for Prognostication of Survival in Patients with Advanced Cancer**
David Hui, MD

5:30 pm

Adjourn

5:30–7:00

Poster Session / Welcome Reception (cash bar)

Saturday, September 6, 2014

7:30 am

Continental Breakfast

8:00

WORKSHOPS

1A. **Improving Communications Between Healthcare Providers and Parents with Serious Illness**
Patrick Jones, MD

1B. **The Importance of Integrating Pediatric Palliative Care Services from the Time of Diagnosis**
Patrick Jones, MD

2A. **Pharmacological Treatment of Chemotherapy-induced Peripheral Neuropathy**
Jeong Oh, MD

2B. **Calmare for the Treatment of Neuropathic Pain in Cancer Patients**
Rebecca Armendariz, MD

3A. **Hospice from a Skilled Nursing Facilities Prospective**
Vance Hale, RN

3B. **Hospice and Nursing Homes: Partners in End-of-Life Care**
Cherry Meier, RN

4A. **Documenting and Honoring Oncology Patient's Preferences at End-of-Life**
Kathy Selvaggi, MD and Abigail Ehret, RN

4B. **Changing the Landscape of Advance Care Planning in a Cancer Center: Lessons from the Field**
Donna Zhukovsky, MD

9:00

WORKSHOPS

1. **Evaluation and Management of Depression and Anxiety in Adults with Cancer**
Paul Jacobsen, PhD

2. **Mind/Body Practices in Integrative Medicine: Patients and Caregivers**
Alejandro Chaoul, PhD

3A. **Dealing with Family Requests for Euthanasia: Identifying which Human to Address**
Colleen Gallagher, PhD

3B. **Ethical Issues and Palliative Sedation: Matteo's Story**
Matteo Moroni, PhD

4. **Creating a Healthy Environment: Spirituality and Religiosity for our Patients and Ourselves: The Role of Spirituality and Religiosity in Our Lives**
Marvin Delgado-Guay, MD

10:00

WORKSHOPS

1. **Advocating for Aggressive Interventional Pain Management: Lessons from a Dying Patient**
Joshua Lakin, MD, Kathy Selvaggi, MD and Elizabeth Rickerson, MD

2. **The Beginning of the End: Caring for Cancer Patients in the Last Days of Life.**
David Hui, MD

3. **Complementary and Alternative Medicine Use Across Cancer Treatment and the Relationship with Psychological Stress and Negative Effects in Breast Cancer.**
Duck-Hee Kang, PhD

4A. **The Adolescent's Experience When a Parent has Advanced Cancer: A Phenomenological Study**
Farya Phillips, PhD

4B. **The Child's Participation As a Parent Is Dying: A Snapshot on the Palliative Care Unit**
Martha Aschenbrenner, LPC

11:00

Break

11:15

Patient Autonomy About Stopping Treatment
Eduardo Bruera, MD

12:30 pm

Lunch (provided)

1:30

WORKSHOPS

1. **Development of a Competencies Model for a Palliative Care Team to Improve the Quality of Medical and Health Care**
Antonio Noguera, MD and Jaime Noguera Tejedor

2. **Emerging from the Fog: Can Palliative Sedation Add to the Suffering it is Meant to Alleviate?**
Donna Zhukovsky, MD and Jessica Moore, DHCE

3. **Early Palliative Care for Hospitalized Patients**
Ahmed Elsayem, MD

4. **Pain Management in the Elderly**
Holly Holmes, MD

2:30

WORKSHOPS

1. **Methadone Rotation**
Akhila Reddy, MD

2. **Improving Communication between Palliative Care and Referring Teams: Common Conflicts and Resolution Strategies**
Suresh Reddy, MD and Larry Driver, MD

3. **Difficult Discussion of Weight Loss in Patients with Advanced Cancer**
Rony Dev, DO

3:30 pm

Conference Adjourns

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Educational Objectives

After attending the conference, participants should be able to

- interpret spiritual, legal and medical issues facing patients at end-of-life (*knowledge, competence*);
- provide optimal end-of-life care including symptom management, psychosocial support and state-of-the-art pain management (*knowledge, competence, performance, patient outcomes*);
- demonstrate effective communication techniques with patients in the advanced stages of cancer or debilitating disease and provide quality end-of-life care (*knowledge, competence, performance, patient outcomes*);
- identify and assess non-cancer conditions needing palliative care (*knowledge, competence*).

Target Audience

This program will be of interest to hospice and palliative care physicians, medical oncologists, family practice physicians, anesthesiologists, psychiatrists, fellows, advance practice nurses, and other health care professionals involved in hospice and palliative care.

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Tuesday, September 2, 2014

7:15 am	On-Site Registration / Continental Breakfast
8:00	Introduction and General Overview of Course: How to Take the Exam Sriram Yennu, MD
8:15	Pain: Assessment and Principles Eduardo Bruera, MD
9:15	Opioids for Pain Larry Driver, MD
10:15	Break
10:30	Prognostication David Hui, MD
12:00pm	Lunch: Meet the Professor Session Case Presentation/Discussion Suresh Reddy, MD and Larry Driver, MD
1:00	Dyspnea/Cough David Hui, MD
1:45	Opioid Titration and Rotation Suresh Reddy, MD
2:45	Break
3:00	Adjuvant and Interventions for Pain Management Suresh Reddy, MD
3:30	Integrative Approaches in Pain Management Suresh Reddy, MD
4:00	Geriatric Palliative Care Marvin Delgado-Guay, MD
5:15	Grief & Bereavement Rony Dev, DO
6:00pm	Adjourn

Wednesday, September 3, 2014

7:30 am	Continental Breakfast
8:00	Challenging Conversations in Palliative Care Daniel Epner, MD
9:00	Delirium, Palliative Sedation, and Opioid Induced Neurotoxicity Eduardo Bruera, MD
10:00	Break
10:15	Palliative Care Emergencies Shalini Dalal, MD
11:00	Pulmonary, Critical Care & Sleep Medicine Kenneth Unger, MD
12:15pm	Lunch: Meet the Professor Q & A Eduardo Bruera, MD
1:30	Common Pharmacological Interactions in Palliative Care Holly Holmes, MD
2:30	Break
2:45	Palliative Care in the Last Week of Life: Signs and Symptoms in the Last 24 Hours/ Hydration/Oral Secretions/Communicating about Impending Death/Management of the Death Rattle/Delirium Eduardo Bruera, MD
3:45	Chemotherapy, Targeted Therapy and Radiation: Principles and Common Adverse Effects Daniel Epner, MD
4:30	Medicare Hospice Benefit Linda Tavel, MD
5:45pm	Adjourn

Thursday, September 4, 2014

7:30 am	Continental Breakfast
8:00	Psychosocial and Spiritual Issues Marvin Delgado-Guay, MD
9:00	Management of Anxiety/Depression at the End-of-Life Marvin Delgado-Guay, MD
9:45	Break
10:00	Cachexia/ Nausea/Vomiting/Bowel Obstruction/Constipation Shalini Dalal, MD
11:00	Disease Specific Palliative Care I Neurological, AIDS Linh Nguyen, MD
11:45	Disease Specific Palliative Care II Cardiac, and Renal Linh Nguyen, MD
12:30pm	Lunch: Meet the Professor Donna Zhukovsky, MD
1:15	Pediatric Palliative Care Donna Zhukovsky, MD
2:15	Wound Care/Pressure Ulcers/ Pruritis/Xerostomia Linh Nguyen, MD
2:45	Break
3:00	Fatigue Sriram Yennu, MD
3:45	Ethical and Legal Decision Making Larry Driver, MD
4:45	Conclusion Sriram Yennu, MD
5:00pm	Adjourn

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CONFERENCE FEES

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Physician/Scientist (MD, PhD)

- ☐ Postmarked by 8/12/2014.....\$350
- ☐ Postmarked after 8/12/2014.....\$400

Healthcare Professional

(Nurse, Hospice, Clergy, Ethicist, Social Worker, PT, PA, etc.)

- ☐ Postmarked by 8/12/2014.....\$250
- ☐ Postmarked after 8/12/2014.....\$300

Student/Trainee (Fellow, Resident)

- ☐ Postmarked by 8/12/2014.....\$100
- ☐ Postmarked after 8/12/2014.....\$150

MD Anderson - Physician/Scientist (MD, PhD)

- ☐ Postmarked by 8/12/2014.....\$200
- ☐ Postmarked after 8/12/2014.....\$250

MD Anderson - Healthcare Professional

(Nurse, Hospice, Clergy, Ethicist, Social Worker, PT, PA, etc.)

- ☐ Postmarked by 8/12/2014.....\$150
- ☐ Postmarked after 8/12/2014.....\$200

Special Conference Rate - Board Review Attendees

(Special Conference Rate applies only to attendees registered for the Intensive Physician Board Review Course)

Physician/Scientist

(MD, PhD, includes Resident, Fellow, etc.)

- ☐ Postmarked by 8/12/2014.....\$150

BOARD REVIEW FEE

D111583 Updates in Hospice and Palliative Medicine and Intensive Physician Board Review September 2-4, 2014

Physician/Scientist

(MD, PhD, includes Resident, Fellow, etc.)

- ☐ Postmarked by 8/12/2014..... \$899

- You must register separately if you wish to attend the Palliative Care Conference.

- Registration for this Board Review will include access to the Post Webinar Sessions Board Review Course.

- Board Review Course registration **DOES NOT** include the Conference.

E111583 Post Webinar Sessions Board Review Course..... \$349

(Recorded sessions and slide presentations from the Intensive Board Review Course for Physicians will be available by Monday, September 15, 2014)

This activity has been approved for AMA PRA Category 1 Credit™.

Number of credits to be determined at a later date

No Duplicate CME credits will be allowed

Registration Information

Updates in Hospice and Palliative Medicine and Intensive Physician Board Review — September 2-4, 2014

- On-site registration and check-in opens at 7:15 am on Tuesday, September 2, 2014, in the Hickey Auditorium Foyer, Floor 11, of the R. Lee Clark Clinic, MD Anderson, 1515 Holcombe Boulevard, Houston, Texas.
- The opening session will begin at 8:00 am on Tuesday, September 2, 2014, in Hickey Auditorium and Anderson Conference Hall, and will adjourn at 5:00 pm on Thursday, September 4, 2014.

Updates in Hospice and Palliative Medicine and Intensive Physician Board Review registration fee includes materials, continental breakfasts, lunches, breaks and access to the Post Board Review Webinar Session; however, it **DOES NOT** include registration to the 18th Annual Conference.

Webinar Sessions

- Post Board Review Webinar Sessions for Physicians.
- Recorded Workshop Sessions and Slides will be Available by Monday, September 15, 2014.
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- The opening session of the conference will begin at 7:45 am on Friday, September 5, 2014, in Hickey Auditorium, and the conference will adjourn at 3:30 pm on Saturday, September 6, 2014.

The Conference registration fee includes the tuition, materials, continental breakfasts, lunches, and breaks; however, it **DOES NOT** include registration to the Updates in Hospice and Palliative Medicine and Intensive Physician Board Review

The Deadline for Advance Registration is August 12, 2014

There are three ways to register:

- Mail to Department of CME/Conference Management, Unit 1781, The University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center, PO Box 301407, Houston, TX 77230-1407
- Fax to 713-794-1724
- On-line at www.mdanderson.org/conferences

We accept the following forms of payment:

- Check (payable to The University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center through U.S. banks only)
- Money order
- Credit cards (MasterCard, VISA, and American Express)
- Cash (on-site registration only)

A receipt and confirmation letter will be sent to you within ten working days of receipt of your registration.

Refund/Cancellation Policy

The registration fee, minus a \$50 administration-handling fee, is refundable if a written request is received on or before August 12, 2014. No refunds will be granted after that date. The request for a registration refund must include the tax identification number of the company or institution if registration was paid by a company or institution check. For additional information, contact CME/Conference Management at 713-792-2223 or toll free at 866-849-5866 or via e-mail: register@mdanderson.org.

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In case of activity cancellation, the liability of the Department of CME/Conference Management is limited to the registration fee. CME/Conference Management will refund the full registration fee. The Department of CME/Conference Management reserves the right to limit the number of participants in a program and is not responsible for any expenses incurred by an individual whose registration is not confirmed and for whom space is not available.

Special Assistance

Contact the Department of CME/Conference Management at 713-792-2223 or toll free at 866-849-5866 if you have any special dietary or ADA accommodation needs.

Accommodations

The conference is providing a block of rooms at the **Houston Marriott at the Texas Medical Center Hotel**, 6580 Fannin Street, Houston, TX 77030. Hotel phone 713-796-0080.

When making hotel reservations be sure to use the Group Rate code of **ALLALLA** to obtain the \$174 room rate for single/double occupancy. Please add 17% Texas State and local taxes.

You may also visit www.hotels.com for other hotels within the Texas Medical Center area of Houston, Texas.

Ground Transportation

(prices are subject to change)

- Houston is served by two airports, George Bush Intercontinental (IAH) and William P. Hobby (HOU).
- Taxicabs are available at an estimated cost of \$40-60, to or from both airports.
- Super Shuttle operates a shuttle bus from both airports at an estimated cost of \$24-\$27 one-way and \$48-\$54 round-trip. For more information, call 713-523-8888 or toll-free at 800-258-3826 or on-line at www.supershuttle.com.

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Agendas are subject to change because we are always striving to improve the quality of your educational experience. MD Anderson may substitute faculty with comparable expertise on rare occasions necessitated by illness, scheduling conflicts, and so forth.

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