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The Spectrum of Alcohol Induced Liver Disease

What is the difference between compensated and decompensated cirrhosis?
Why is precise monitoring of kidney functioning so important? How can we prevent infections?

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What is the difference between compensated and decompensated cirrhosis? Why is precise monitoring of kidney functioning so important? How can we prevent infections? Join Dr. Peter Buch for an informative session where you will discover a practical, clinically oriented review. At the conclusion of this course, the learner should be able to:

- Understand the difference between compensated and decompensated cirrhosis.
- Recognize the spectrum and consequences of alcohol induced illness including fatty liver disease, and alcoholic hepatitis, as well as cirrhosis and its consequences.
- Apply the CAGE questions when speaking to patients about alcohol consumption.
- Identify risk factors for variceal bleeding.

Course Information

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Dr. Peter Buch is a clinical gastroenterologist with over 30 years of teaching experience. Teaching is his passion! His style is case based, practical, interactive and fun. Dr. Buch is an Associate Professor at the University of Connecticut School of Medicine, the University of New England College of Osteopathic Medicine, and the Frank H. Netter, MD School of Medicine.

He is a graduate of Downstate Medical Center and completed his internship and residency in Internal Medicine and his fellowship in Gastroenterology at Long Island Jewish-Hillside Medical Center (now a branch of Northwell Health).

Over the last several years, Dr. Buch has been honored to present at dozens of national conferences. He loves interacting with his audiences and always learns from them.

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