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ACING THE GI BOARD EXAM: *The Ultimate Crunch-Time Course*

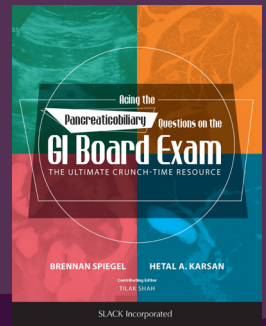
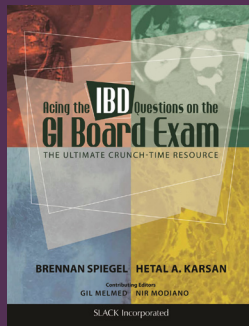
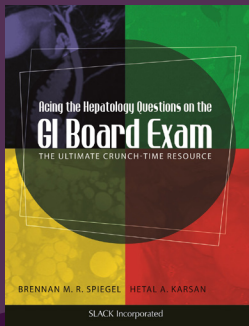
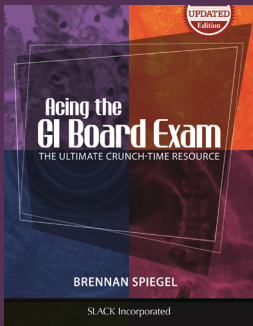
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AUGUST 11-12, 2018

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COURSE DIRECTORS & FACULTY

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***High-Speed, Weekend Board Review Crash Course Serving the East and West Coasts
ONE-THIRD THE TIME, ONE-THIRD THE COST, AND THRICE THE LEARNING***

For the latest course information and to register, visit cedars-sinai.edu/giboardreviewcme

WHAT MAKES THIS COURSE **DIFFERENT**

We all hope the boards will go away, but so far they haven't! So, the "Acing the GI Board Exam" authors created an acclaimed weekend board review course based on concepts of their best-selling books. That's right, all you need is a Saturday and Sunday; you don't have to miss any work to attend this rapid review course. Mind-numbing lectures are strictly prohibited; only high-yield vignettes are allowed, in a fun and interactive format. Let's get this done!

COURSE DESCRIPTION AND STATEMENT OF NEED

This interactive, didactic experience serves as a review to aid the clinical practice for gastroenterologists, hepatologists, advanced practice providers and gastroenterology fellows to aid in patient management, including virtually all aspects of clinical gastroenterology, hepatology and endoscopy. This course has also been developed to meet the educational needs of practicing gastroenterologists and GI fellows who wish to test their knowledge of specific GI topics in preparation for earning points toward the American Board of Internal Medicine (ABIM) Maintenance of Certification (MOC) program, or who simply want to improve their knowledge of gastrointestinal diseases and disorders to enhance the quality of their practice. The course will follow the blueprint developed by the American Board of Internal Medicine. Each content category – esophagus, stomach/duodenum, liver, biliary tract, pancreas, small intestine and colon – will explore anatomy, development and function/physiology; symptoms/clinical presentation; and the diseases and disorders in each. This will include the use of endoscopy, including colonoscopy, ERCP and EUS.

In collaboration with the American College of Gastroenterology (ACG), participants will have the option of earning up to 10 MOC points with successful completion of the ACG's Self-Assessment modules. A distinguishing feature of this conference is the fact that the course content is delivered over the course of only one and a half days. The course directors for this conference recognize that long and detailed discussions that are not directly relevant to board and re-certification exams should be eliminated. Conversely, many board review manuals provide lists and bullet points that lack sufficient background and context. To address the needs of busy gastroenterologists, this conference will present high-yield information in the most rational, relevant and contextually appropriate format. This is a time-tested approach that has led to wide dissemination and success of the speakers' own textbook series, which serves as a blueprint for this educational offering. This course also serves as an intense review of gastroenterology and hepatology to enhance the clinical practice of all GI providers.

TARGET AUDIENCE

This educational activity is intended for gastroenterologists preparing for certification or certification-maintenance examinations in gastroenterology, and for gastroenterology fellows preparing to take the exam for the first time. GI and endoscopy nurses will also benefit from the practical, case-based approach of the course.

EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES

- Identify risk factors for and apply strategies to prevent gastrointestinal and hepatobiliary disorders
- Retain and apply clinical "pearls" to diagnose complex GI disorders and identify and integrate therapeutic options based on pathophysiology, classification, guidelines and best clinical practice recommendations
- Demonstrate competence in certification and recertification exams in gastroenterology as required by the American Board of Internal Medicine

ACCREDITATION STATEMENT

Cedars-Sinai Medical Center is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

CREDIT DESIGNATION STATEMENT

Cedars-Sinai Medical Center designates this live activity for a maximum of 12.5 *AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™*. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

NURSES

The California State Board of Registered Nursing accepts courses approved by the ACCME for Category 1 credit as meeting the educational requirements for license renewal.

SELF-EVALUATION MODULE: ACG's Self-Assessment Program for Maintenance of Certification

Using a module developed by the American College of Gastroenterology and approved for self-evaluation of medical knowledge credit toward American Board of Internal Medicine Maintenance of Certification, faculty will host an interactive learning session to answer and discuss questions covering key areas of gastroenterology. Participants will be able to complete their answer sheets for this module during the session.

Attendees enrolled in the ABIM's MOC program who successfully complete this ACG module with a minimum passing score of 70 percent will be awarded 10 "self-evaluation of medical knowledge" points by ABIM. Participants must be enrolled in ABIM's Maintenance of Certification program to receive MOC credit for completing this module. The module is available at www.sapmoc.gi.org.

Course registrants are required to individually purchase the ACG's Self-Assessment Program for Maintenance of Certification – 8th edition (2015)* (\$50 for ACG members; \$100 for non-members). The conference registration fee does NOT include the cost of purchasing the ACG module. Credit is only awarded through the online module; there is no paper submission of the module for credit.

**Points earned for the successful completion of this module can be applied one time only toward MOC credit. If you have previously completed this ACG module (SAPMOC – 8th edition 2015), you will not receive additional MOC points. This module expires for MOC credit on October 1, 2018. Participants who wish to receive ABIM MOC points must complete the module and claim credit prior to this date. No points will be awarded after October 1, 2018.*

WHEN YOU'RE DONE, YOU'LL KNOW:

- Answers to board review stuff you always forget
- Clinical pearls for direct patient management and tidbits to help clinical care of patients throughout the entire spectrum of GI disease

PLUS ANSWERS TO CLASSIC "TOUGH STUFF" – CLINICAL VIGNETTES IN:

- Esophagus
- Stomach and duodenum
- Liver
- Biliary tract
- Pancreas
- Small intestine and colon



WHAT YOU'LL **LEARN**

SATURDAY

7:00 – 7:30 A.M. Registration/Breakfast

PART I: COURSE INTRODUCTION & BOARD REVIEW POINTERS

SPEAKERS: *Hetal Karsan, MD, FACG, FAASLD, FASGE, FACP; Brennan Spiegel, MD, MSHS, FACG, AGAF*

7:30 – 7:45 Welcome and course overview: What makes this course different?

7:45 – 8:00 Pearls of wisdom for GI Board preparation

PART II: FOREGUT “TOUGH STUFF” VIGNETTES

SPEAKER: *Brennan Spiegel, MD, MSHS, FACG, AGAF*

8:00 – 9:15 Esophagus vignettes (let's start at the top)

9:15 – 10:30 Stomach and duodenum vignettes (digest that breakfast)

10:30 – 11:00 Morning break (exhibits, relax and get more coffee!)

PART III: IBD “TOUGH STUFF” VIGNETTES

SPEAKER: *Gil Melmed, MD, MS, FACG, AGAF*

11:00 – 12:30 P.M. Inflammatory Bowel Disease vignettes (you just gotta know Crohn's and UC)

12:30 – 1:30 Lunch break (visit with our exhibitors, exchange notes and learn)

PART IV: PANCREATIC AND BILIARY “TOUGH STUFF” VIGNETTES

SPEAKER: *Hetal Karsan, MD, FACG, FASGE, FAASLD, FACP*

1:30 – 3:30 Pancreaticobiliary and interventional endoscopy (the luminal off-ramps)

3:30 – 4:00 Coffee break (need to stay awake)

PART V: ODDS AND ENDS

SPEAKER: *Brennan Spiegel, MD, MSHS, FACG, AGAF*

4:00 – 5:00 Skin and random stuff (fun topics you just need to know)

5:00 – 5:30 Epidemiology stuff (10 stats things in a 30-minute crash course)

5:30 P.M. Adjourn

SUNDAY

7:00 – 7:30 A.M. Registration/Breakfast (eat, meet and greet)

PART VI: LIVER, LIVER & MORE LIVER

SPEAKER: *Hetal Karsan, MD, FACG, FAASLD, FASGE, FACP*

7:30 – 10:00 Viral hepatitis and general hepatology vignettes (time to buckle down!)

10:00 – 10:30 Morning break (relax and get ready for the home stretch!)

PART VII: MIDGUT AND HINDGUT “TOUGH STUFF” VIGNETTES

SPEAKER: *Brennan Spiegel, MD, MSHS, FACG, AGAF*

10:30 – 11:45 Functional GI disorders and colonoscopy (i.e., where your bread is buttered)

11:45 – 12:00 P.M. Final break (gear up for testing!)

PART VIII: “CRUNCH TIME” REVIEW TEST

SPEAKERS: *Brennan Spiegel, MD, MSHS, FACG, AGAF;*
Hetal Karsan, MD, FACG, FAASLD, FASGE, FACP;
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12:00 – 12:45 Rapid-fire “quickies” review quiz (prove to yourself that you learned something)

12:45 P.M. Adjourn (go home!)

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REGISTER ONLINE TODAY!

All registrations must be completed online. For additional course or registration information, please call 310-423-5548.

REGISTRATION FEES*	PHYSICIAN	NON-PHYSICIAN	RESIDENT/FELLOW	INDUSTRY
	\$229	\$129	\$129	\$229

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TO PAY BY CHECK

Complete the online registration, continue to the payment section and select “I will mail a separate check for my registration.”

MAIL PAYMENT (with checks made payable to Cedars-Sinai Medical Center) to:
Cedars-Sinai Medical Center
Office of Continuing Medical Education, Attn: Registration
8797 Beverly Blvd., Suite 250, Los Angeles, CA 90048

REFUND POLICY

All cancellations must be submitted in writing, and refunds will be subject to a \$100 administrative charge. Please email cancellation requests to cme@cshs.org. If you do not receive confirmation of your cancellation via email, please call 310-423-5548.

CANCELLATION POLICY

Cedars-Sinai reserves the right to cancel or reschedule programs due to circumstances beyond its control, or to close registration when programs are oversubscribed. Registrants are advised against purchasing nonrefundable airline tickets until they receive registration confirmation. Cedars-Sinai is not responsible for penalties incurred as a result of cancelled transportation costs.

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ACTIVITY DETAILS

ATLANTA, GA
AUGUST 11-12

CONFERENCE LOCATION
Hotel at Avalon
9000 Avalon Blvd.
Alpharetta, GA 30009
678-722-3600

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS
Cedars-Sinai has arranged for a block of rooms at The Hotel at Avalon, at a special conference rate:

ROOM TYPE	ROOM RATE/NIGHT
Standard King	\$149 + tax

The courtesy room block and special rates are available until July 27, 2018, at which time the conference rate can no longer be guaranteed.

There are instances where the room block sells out prior to the cutoff date, so please register for the conference and make your hotel reservations early.

To make reservations, please call 678-722-3600. Be sure to tell the reservation agent that you are attending the Cedars-Sinai GI Board Review course to guarantee the special rate.

LOS ANGELES, CA
SEPTEMBER 15-16

CONFERENCE LOCATION
Cedars-Sinai Medical Center
Harvey Morse Auditorium
8701 Gracie Allen Drive
Plaza Level, South Tower
Los Angeles, CA 90048
310-423-5548

The Harvey Morse Auditorium is located on the plaza level, South Tower of the Medical Center. A short 15-mile taxi ride from LAX will bring you there.

PARKING
Self-parking is available in visitor parking lots P1, P2 (George Burns Road) or P4 (Sherbourne Drive).

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS
For a detailed list of hotels convenient to the medical center, please visit cedars-sinai.org. Select Patients & Visitors from the navigation bar at top right, then select Los Angeles Guide, and then Where to Stay.

When making reservations at any of these hotels, please be sure to mention that you are attending a conference at Cedars-Sinai to ensure you are receiving the best current reservation rate.



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RAVE REVIEWS FROM THE COMPLETELY PACKED INAUGURAL COURSE

- “Exceeded expectations – very grateful for its availability.”
- “An excellent overall review even for someone not taking the boards.”
- “Lots of information packed into an excellent format for board review. Well worth the weekend spent indoors.”
- “Succinct, kept my attention, irreverent, hit all the key points!”
- “Wonderful program. Great review material even for non-physicians in GI!”

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