THE SOCIETY FOR SURGERY
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POSTGRADUATE COURSE:
Acute Care
Gastrointestinal Surgery: Thinking on Your Feet—
A Case-Based Course

Sunday, May 31, 2009
McCormick Place
Chicago, Illinois

COURSE DIRECTOR:
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The SSAT Postgraduate Course will be held in conjunction with Digestive Disease Week® (DDW), the combined Annual Meetings of the AASLD, AGA, ASGE, and the SSAT. The date of DDW® is May 30 – June 4, 2009.

COURSE GOAL
This Postgraduate Course will review a selection of topics vital to the gastrointestinal specialist. Although the emphasis will be on acute gastrointestinal surgical problems, a multidisciplinary approach will be presented to provide diagnostic and treatment options. Audience participation will be encouraged. At the conclusion of this course participants will clearly understand the current evaluation of—and surgical options to treat—urgent surgical conditions of the esophagus and stomach, acute surgical problems of the midgut viscera, colorectal and perianal emergencies, and hepaticopancreaticobiliary emergencies, as well as how to deal with special late-night vexing surgical quandaries. Topics will be presented by experts using case examples, technical innovations, imaging modalities, clinical algorithms, and outcome analyses. During or at the conclusion of each session there will be opportunity for audience questions and interaction with panelists.

FORMAT
The course will be divided into five sessions, each focusing on the following up-to-date topics:

1. Multimodal approach to Esophageal/Stomach emergencies, including pneumoperitoneum from the foregut, the acute paraesophageal hernia and Boerhaave syndrome, surgical therapy of upper GI bleeding and “Calling in your Colleagues”—non-surgical management of upper GI bleeding.

2. Multidisciplinary approach to urgent midgut conditions, including current radiological techniques in the diagnosis of peritonitis, small bowel obstruction, the incarcerated ventral hernia, the incarcerated inguinal hernia, and post-bariatric surgical emergencies.

3. The current approach to pancreaticobiliary crises, including the “difficult” acute gallbladder, gastroenterological management of biliary emergencies, when to operate in acute pancreatitis, and radiological therapy for pancreatic sepsis.

4. Contemporary management of hindgut emergencies, including open versus minimally invasive versus conservative management of appendicitis, perianal sepsis, the emergency anastomosis and stoma, multimodality management of lower GI bleeding, and diagnosis and therapy of the ICU patient with C. difficile infection.

5. Finally, a potpourri section entitled “The 2 A.M. Dreaded Consult or Transfer”, including pertinent discussions about malignant small bowel obstruction, the patient with lactic acidosis and abdominal pain, the septic postoperative enterocutaneous fistula patient, and surgery in the patient who is a DNR.

CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION
This activity is being planned and implemented in accordance with the Essential Areas and Policies of the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education. AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™ will be provided for course participation.

FACULTY DISCLOSURE
All faculty participating in continuing medical education activities are expected to disclose to the program audience any real or apparent conflict(s) of interest related to the content of their presentation(s). Full disclosure of faculty relationships will be made at the program.
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SESSION I: ESOPHAGEAL/STOMACH
Moderator: Jeffrey H. Peters, MD, Rochester, NY
8:00 AM – 8:10 AM Welcome and Introduction
David W. McFadden, MD, Burlington, VT

8:10 AM – 8:25 AM Free air from the Foregut
Thadeus L. Trus, MD, Lebanon, NH

8:25 AM – 8:40 AM Acute Paraoesophageal Hernia/Boerhaave
Brant K. Oelschlager, MD, Seattle, WA

8:40 AM – 8:55 AM Upper GI Bleeding—Surgical Rx
Brian J. Dunkin, MD, Houston, TX

8:55 AM – 9:10 AM Calling in Your Colleagues: Upper GI Bleeding, Non-Surgical
Loren A. Laine, MD, Los Angeles, CA

9:10 AM – 9:30 AM Panel Discussion

9:30 AM – 9:50 AM BREAK

SESSION II: MIDGUT EMERGENCIES
Moderator: Kevin E. Behrns, MD, Gainesville, FL
9:30 AM – 10:05 AM Peritonitis: Current Radiologic Techniques
Patricia L. Abbitt, MD, Gainesville, FL

10:05 AM – 10:20 AM Small Bowel Obstruction
Joseph J. Cullen, MD, Iowa City, IA

10:20 AM – 10:35 AM Incarcerated Ventral Hernia
Mary T. Hawn, MD, Birmingham, AL

10:35 AM – 10:50 AM Incarcerated Inguinal Hernia
George A. Sarosi, Jr., MD, Gainesville, FL

10:50 AM – 11:05 AM Post-Bariatric Surgery Emergencies
Patrick M. Forgione, MD, Burlington, VT

11:05 AM – 11:30 AM Panel Discussion

11:30 AM – 12:15 PM LUNCH

SESSION III: HPB EMERGENCIES
Moderator: Charles J. Yeo, MD, Philadelphia, PA
12:15 PM – 12:30 PM The Difficult Gallbladder: How I Do It and Why
Ernest L. Rosato, MD, Philadelphia, PA

12:30 PM – 12:45 PM How the Gastroenterologist Manages Biliary Emergencies
Richard Zubari, MD, Burlington, VT

12:45 PM – 1:00 PM Acute Pancreatitis: When to Operate
Carlos Fernandez-del-Castillo, MD, Boston, MA

1:00 PM – 1:15 PM Pancreatic Sepsis: Radiological and Interventional Treatment
Eric vanSonnenberg, MD, Phoenix, AZ

1:15 PM – 1:45 PM Panel Discussion

SESSION IV: HINDGUT EMERGENCIES
Moderator: Robin S. McLeod, MD, Toronto, ON
1:45 PM – 2:00 PM Appendicitis: Open vs. Lap vs. Conservative Management
Robert A. Kazol, MD, Farmington, CT

2:00 PM – 2:15 PM Perianal Sepsis
Scott A. Strong, MD, Cleveland, OH

2:15 PM – 2:45 PM The Emergency Anastomosis and Stoma
Neil Hyman, MD, Burlington, VT

2:45 PM – 3:00 PM Lower GI Bleeding
Anthony M. Vernava, MD, Naples, FL

3:00 PM – 3:15 PM C. Diff in the ICU
Nancy N. Baxter, MD, Toronto, ON

3:15 PM – 3:40 PM Panel Discussion

3:40 PM – 4:10 PM BREAK
SESSION V: THE 2 A.M. DREADED CONSULT OR TRANSFER

Moderator: Selwyn M. Vickers, MD, Minneapolis, MN

4:10 PM – 4:25 PM  Is This Malignant Small Bowel Obstruction?
Eric H. Jensen, MD, Minneapolis, MN

4:25 PM – 4:40 PM  Acidosis and Belly Pain: Is This Dead Gut?
Mark A. Newell, MD, Greenville, NC

4:40 PM – 4:55 PM  The Septic Postoperative Enterocutaneous Fistula Patient
Jeffrey G. Chipman, MD, Minneapolis, MN

4:55 PM – 5:10 PM  The Patient Is a DNR: Saying No to the Request for Operation
Henry J. Schiller, MD, Rochester, MN

5:10 PM – 5:30 PM  Panel Discussion

ACCOMMODATIONS
Please see the DDW® Registration Brochure for a list of official DDW® hotels, rates, housing forms, and maps. Make your housing reservations online at www.ddw.org, or mail or fax the housing form in the DDW® Registration Packet.

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Fees will increase by $50.00 after the Early Bird Registration deadline of Friday, April 24, 2009.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Should you have questions regarding this CME activity, please contact our administrative office. In addition, per the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you require special accommodations to attend or participate in this CME activity, please provide information about your requirements to our administrative office.

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