Controversies and Advances in the Treatment of Cardiovascular Disease
The Nineteenth in the Series

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PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

We look forward to the nineteenth annual Controversies and Advances in the Treatment of Cardiovascular Disease symposium! The two-day scientific program will offer realistic views on many controversial issues in cardiovascular disease today. Session topics will include atherosclerosis and dyslipidemia, digital medicine, coronary artery disease, cardiac imaging, structural heart disease, cardioembolic strokes, the right ventricle, clinical electrophysiology, hypertension, acute PULM disease, new devices for heart failure, practice-changing trials of 2019, advanced heart failure, pathophysiology of endurance sports, and advanced technology in CVD management.

Sessions will include a combination of lectures, debates, and discussions. A faculty of internationally known leaders has been invited to share their knowledge and experiences with complex and controversial cases.

TARGET AUDIENCE

The conference is designed for cardiologists, interventional cardiologists, cardiovascular and thoracic surgeons, perfusionists, nurses, technicians and those involved in the diagnosis, treatment and care of individuals with controversial and complex cases of cardiac disease.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

Upon completion of this course, participants should be able to:

- Analyze the latest advancements and emerging treatments for atherosclerosis and dyslipidemia
- Examine and evaluate the future of digital medicine and healthcare delivery
- Discuss the new advanced technologies in cardiovascular disease management and how they will improve outcomes and quality of treatment and patient care
- Compare and contrast expert views on the treatment of complex coronary artery diseases
- Examine recent updates in cardiac imaging and discuss the roles and limitations for various imaging modalities
- Evaluate the current recommendations for effective management of syncope, and whether or not atrial fibrillation is curable
- Explain the current controversies in PULM disease
- Discuss dietary and pharmaceutical options for hypertension management
- Debate the pros and cons for alternatives to heart transplantation for advanced heart failure
- Understand and explain 2019’s most important trials in cardiovascular disease and how they may affect changes in physician practices
- Identify the pathophysiology of endurance sports including extreme exercise and coronary calcium score and exercise optimization
FACULTY DISCLOSURES

In accordance with the ACCME Standards for Commercial Support, course directors, planning committees, faculty and all others in control of the educational content of the CME activity must disclose all relevant financial relationships with any commercial interest that they or their spouse/partner may have had within the past 12 months. If an individual refuses to disclose relevant financial relationships, they will be disqualified from being a part of the planning and implementation of this CME activity. Disclosure will be made to all participants at the conference location prior to the educational activity commencement and are also available in the online syllabus at http://www.controversiesincardiology.com/syllabus2019.html.

CME ACCREDITATION & DESIGNATION

Please note that you will need to sign in one time a day on the sign-in sheets located next to the registration desk.

Physicians & Physician Assistants

Promedica International is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

Promedica International designates this live activity for a maximum of 16.75 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

Nurses

Provider approved by the California Board of Registered Nursing, Provider #8495 for 16.75 Contact Hours.

Perfusionists

The American Board of Cardiovascular Perfusion (ABCP) has approved a total of 20.4 Category 1 CEUs for perfusionists for Thursday, November 14 (10.2), and Friday, November 15 (10.2).

Registered Cardiovascular Invasive Specialists (RCIS)

CCI does not approve CEUs directly, however CCI will accept CEUs that have already been approved by accredited sponsors of the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME). RCIS attendees will claim the physician certificate option when completing the online evaluation and can use that certificate to claim CEUs from CCI.
ABIM MOC POINTS

Successful completion of this CME activity, which includes participation in the evaluation component, enables the participant to earn up to 16.75 Medical Knowledge MOC points and Patient Safety MOC credits in the American Board of Internal Medicine’s (ABIM) Maintenance of Certification (MOC) program. Participants will earn MOC points equivalent to the amount of CME credits claimed for the activity. It is the CME activity provider’s responsibility to submit participant completion information to ACCME for the purpose of granting ABIM MOC credit.

Please keep in mind the following dates when claiming your MOC points:

Physicians claiming MOC points for their participation in the symposium must complete the online program evaluation by December 16, 2019 in order for the MOC points to count toward any MOC requirements that are due by the end of 2019.

Evaluations received after December 16, 2019 and before March 16, 2020 will continue to be reported to ABIM and any ABIM Board Certified physician who experienced a negative status change as a direct result of insufficient MOC points will have their status adjusted once the required points have been earned.

If you need the MOC points to count for your 2019 record, please be sure to submit your evaluation by December 16, 2019. MOC points will not be available for this course after March 16, 2020.

CLAIMING YOUR CME/CE CERTIFICATE

1. Visit https://promedicacme.com/ and scroll down
2. In the Past CME Symposia section, click “Take Evaluation” by the Controversies 2019 icon
3. Complete the program evaluation
4. Your CME certificate will be emailed to you within 2 weeks of submission

ONLINE SYLLABUS WITH FACULTY SLIDES

The slides presented at the symposium (when approved by the speaker), along with all general meeting materials are available on our fully mobile website:


To the best of our ability, approved slides will be posted online as PDFs within 24 hours of presentation.
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