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2008 Leadership Conference and Certification Workshops
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Grand Hyatt Tampa Bay – Tampa, Florida

OVERALL MEETING OBJECTIVES

- To provide a forum for physicians to discuss developments and emerging issues in their area of specialty or sub-specialty practice.
- To plan and conduct business that will strengthen and further the mission of the AAPS, its affiliated Academies of Medicine and ABPS Boards of Certification.
- To encourage collegial relationships that enable members to pursue their professional goals and participate in the association's various activities.

INTENDED AUDIENCE

AAPS members who are practitioners in Anesthesiology, Dermatology, Diagnostic Radiology, Disaster Medicine, Emergency Medicine, Family Practice, Family Practice/OB, Geriatric Medicine, Internal Medicine, Psychiatry, Obstetrics and Gynecology, Ophthalmology, Orthopedic Surgery, Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery, Radiation Oncology, and Surgery.

MEDICAL ETHICS: PRACTICAL ISSUES AND APPROACHES

This course provides a solid conceptual grounding in medical ethics, while focusing on practical issues and tested approaches for resolving such issues. This course satisfies a professional development requirement for fulfilling, in part, board recertification of the American Board of Physician Specialties of the American Association of Physician Specialists, Inc.





OBJECTIVES

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

1. Understand the theoretical and historical foundations of medical ethics;
2. Engage in allocation of resources decisions;
3. Apply ethical decision making tools to actual circumstances;
4. Understand the appropriate roles of medical ethics/bioethics committees and be able to constructively contribute to these committees;
5. Recognize the stakeholders in medical ethics decisions and weigh stakeholder ethical perspectives; and
6. Be able to guide public discussion of medical ethics issues and explain the perspectives of medical professionals on such issues.

I. Historical and Conceptual Overview

This session views medical ethics from its days as an element of professional conduct to the current litigious and adversarial approach to the complex issues in the ethics of medical practice. Thus, the roots of medical ethics in professional standards, religion, ethics, and the law are explained. The first applications of a systemic medical ethics viewpoint in the allocation of SCARCE resources (dialysis machines) is reviewed, along with lessons to be learned from this experience.

While early applications of medical ethics focused on allocation issues, current issues are also driven by technological advances, economic pressures, and a rights-without-responsibilities regulatory and litigation environment.

II. Case Study: Allocating SCARCE Medical Resources

III. Models for Resolving Medical Ethics Issues

This segment derives practical tools from ethical traditions and theories. These tools are combined in a stakeholder methodology of the kind that informs the constitution of most medical ethics / bioethics committees. These different approaches yield the practical decision making models commonly applied by medical ethics and bioethics committees. These models are summarized as decision making tools.

IV. Case Studies: Applications

V. Issues beyond Ethics

Many of the issues that make medical ethics challenging are not ethical issues per se.

These issues include:

- Patient rights and patient autonomy;
- When technology advances more quickly than ethics;
- When payers make the decision; and
- Ethically right but legally perilous.

VI. Advanced Case Studies

VII. Is the question HOW to decide or WHO decides?

The stakeholder philosophy (include all stakeholders/interest groups in ethical decisions) has become an accepted element of practical wisdom with little critical discussion. Who are the stakeholders in an end-of-life decision? Why do medical ethics committees have community members? How does the stakeholder approach affect the quality of ethical decision making? Older philosophies, such as the sympathy/empathy approach of “common sense” thinkers, often give very different answers than the stakeholder approach. Is the real question who has a right to participate in the decision rather than how the decision should be made.

VIII. Conclusions and Lessons

A participatory process in which lessons learned and practical tools are summarized.



ACCREDITATION STATEMENT

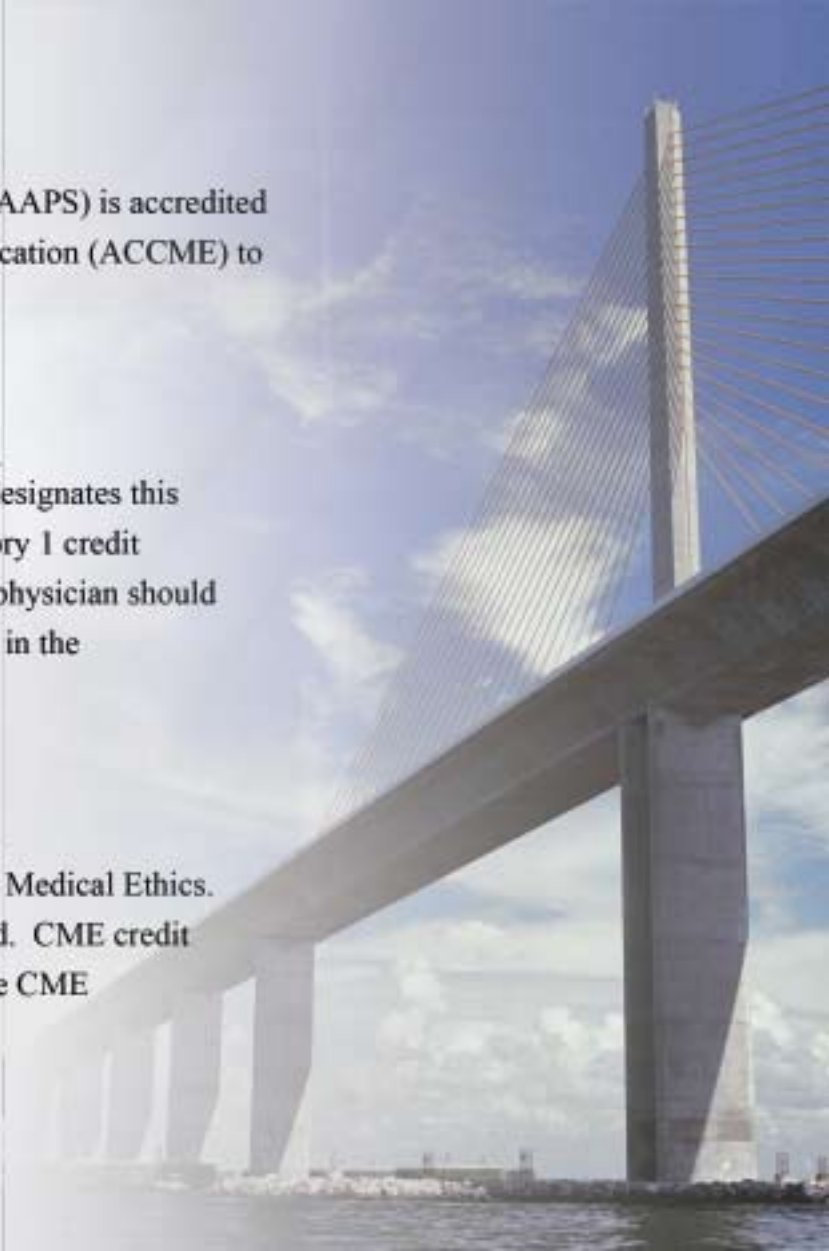
The American Association of Physician Specialists, Inc. (AAPS) is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

CME CREDIT STATEMENT

The American Association of Physician Specialists, Inc. designates this educational activity for a maximum of 6.0 hours in category 1 credit towards the AMA Physician's Recognition Award. Each physician should claim only those hours of credit that he/she actually spent in the educational activity.

RECERTIFICATION CREDIT

This course fulfills ABPS recertification requirements for Medical Ethics. Upon successful completion, CME credit will be provided. CME credit earned for attending this course may also be applied to the CME recertification requirements.



AMERICAN BOARD OF PHYSICIAN SPECIALTIES CERTIFICATION WORKSHOPS

***Examination Committees Session** (Saturday, February 9, 2008)

This one-day session is by **invitation only** to all Written Examination Committee Members (as appointed by the respective Boards of Certification), the Chairperson of each Board of Certification, and elected and appointed members of the ABPS Board. This is the first in an expected series of sessions to address written examination topics, issues, and planning. * No CME credits are associated with this session.

***Open Item Writing Session** (Sunday, February 10, 2008)

This one-day session is open to all ABPS Diplomates in all specialties who have been active in writing items for the ABPS written examinations in the last two years and would be willing to donate their time and talent to producing some additional items. An item writing consultant will be available to work with participants as needed and provide directions as to what areas items are needed in each specialty. * No CME credits are associated with this session.

***Written Examination Development Workshop** (Monday & Tuesday, February 11th & 12th, 2008)

This two-day workshop is intended for all ABPS Diplomates in all the ABPS specialties. Members of the Written Examination Committees are highly encouraged to participate and help physicians new to item writing. Participants may attend one or both days of the workshop. CME credit will be awarded for each day of full participation.

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OBJECTIVES

Participants in the workshop will:

1. Refine item writing skills consistent with the ABPS item writing guidelines;
2. Develop item writing skills to produce examination items that match the practice analysis for the specialty and that capture as closely as possible the knowledge and skills as needed by physicians in their actual daily practice;
3. Address the use of stimuli, such as pictures and diagrams, as part of the multiple-choice questions;
4. Understand how items are banked and selected for test forms of examinations (both certification and recertification), using the test item blueprint;
5. Evaluate the quantity of items in the banks relative to the test item specifications to determine areas of need; and
6. Develop items meeting the guidelines and incorporating the principles inherent in items 1-5 above.



***Oral Examination Development Workshop (Monday & Tuesday, February 11th & 12th, 2008)**

This two-day workshop is intended for all Anesthesiology, Orthopedic Surgery, General Surgery, Plastic & Reconstructive Surgery, Obstetrics & Gynecology, Ophthalmology, and Psychiatry ABPS Diplomates, who are interested in assisting with the development of oral examination cases. Diplomates who have participated or will be participating as examiners in the oral examinations are highly encouraged to attend. Participants may attend one or both days of the workshop. CME credit will be awarded for each day of full participation.

Objectives

Participants in the workshop will:

1. Compare sample cases of various specialties, determining similarities and differences;
2. Review do's and don'ts, desirable and less than desirable aspects to include in oral examinations;
3. Review the purpose of oral examinations and how some elements currently included in the oral examinations might be assessed as part of the written examinations;
4. Ascertain how cases should be revised to better accomplish the goals of orals examinations; and
5. Review and develop new cases.

***Emergency Medicine Oral Examination Review Workshop (Monday, February 11, 2008)**

This one-day workshop is intended for all Emergency Medicine ABPS Diplomates, who will commit to being Emergency Medicine Oral Examiners at the April 2008 testing administration and who are approved to participate in advance of the review workshop. This workshop is open by invitation only. CME credit will be awarded for full-day participation.

Objectives

Participants in the workshop will:

1. Review and critique cases developed in preparation for upcoming administrations of the Emergency Medicine Oral Examinations;
2. Address the types of cases available for future administrations and ascertain what types of cases need to be developed.

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The American Association of Physician Specialists, Inc. (AAPS) is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

CME CREDIT STATEMENT

The AAPS designates this educational activity for a maximum of 16 hours in Category 1 credit toward the AMA Physician's Recognition Award. Each physician should claim only those hours of credit that he/she actually spent in the activity. Written Examination Development Workshops - 8 hours in Category 1 credit toward the AMA Physician's Recognition Award is available for this workshop per day. Oral Examination Development Workshops – 8 hours in Category 1 credit toward the AMA Physician's Recognition Award is available for this workshop per day. Emergency Medicine Oral Examination Review Workshop – 7.5 hours in Category 1 credit toward the AMA Physician's Recognition Award is available for this workshop.

FACULTY

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Mark Pastin, Ph.D.

James T. Stewart



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Please Review Program Closely To Determine Your Schedule

Friday, February 8, 2008

- 7:30am – 11:30am Executive Committee Meeting (Closed Meeting)
Silvio A. Garcia, M.D., FAAR, AAPS President
- 9:00am – 5:00pm Medical Ethics Course (Separate Fee and Registration Required)
- 12:00pm – 5:00pm Board of Directors' Meeting (Session I)
Silvio A. Garcia, M.D., FAAR, AAPS President
- 7:00pm – 10:00pm Board of Directors' Dinner (By Invitation Only)

Saturday, February 9, 2008

- 7:30am – 12:00pm Board of Directors' Meeting (Session II)
Silvio A. Garcia, M.D., FAAR, AAPS President
- 7:30am – 9:00am Continental Breakfast
- 8:00am – 6:00pm Written Examination Committee Sessions
(By Invitation Only)
- 12:00pm – 2:00pm Auxiliary Luncheon Meeting
Linda Russo, Auxiliary President
- 12:00pm – 1:00pm Past Presidents' Meeting (Closed Meeting)
- 12:00pm – 1:00pm General Membership Luncheon
- 1:15pm – 2:15pm Membership Committee Meeting
David G.C. McCann, M.D., FAASFP
- 1:15pm – 2:15pm Governmental Affairs Committee Meeting
Thomas A. Castillo, D.O., MBA, FAASS, Chair
- 2:15pm – 3:15pm Political Action Committee Meeting
TBD
- 3:15pm – 4:15pm State Medical Board Planning Session
Brian Shuford, AAPS Manager of Governmental Affairs
- 3:15pm – 4:15pm CME Committee Meeting
Arthur L. Berman, D.O., FAAIM, Co-Chair
Stephen A. Montes, D.O., FAASOS, Co-Chair
- 4:15pm – 5:15pm Education Standards Committee Meeting
Douglas L. Marciniak, D.O., FAAIM
- 4:15pm – 5:15pm Editorial Committee Meeting
Jeff Hersh, M.D., Ph.D., FAAEP, Chair
- 7:30pm – 9:30pm Cocktail Reception with Light Fare

Sunday, February 10, 2008

- 7:30am – 9:00am Continental Breakfast
8:00am – 6:00pm Open Item Writing Sessions
8:00am – 9:00am Council of Academy Presidents' Meeting
Michael F. Reeh, M.D., FAASFP, FAAGM, President
8:00am – 10:00am American Academy of Disaster Medicine Meeting (Closed Meeting)
Lewis W. Marshall, Jr., M.D., J.D., FAAEP, President
8:00am – 11:00am American Board of Physician Specialties' Committee Meeting
Edward V. Reardon, D.O., Chair
10:00am – 12:00pm American Board of Disaster Medicine Meeting (Closed Meeting)
David G. C. McCann, M.D., FAASFP, Chair
11:00am – 12:00pm Medical Mission Outreach Committee Meeting
Thomas A. Castillo, D.O., MBA, FAASS, Co-Chair
David G. C. McCann, M.D., FAASFP, Co-Chair
12:00pm – 1:00pm Public Member Meeting
12:00pm – 1:00pm General Membership Luncheon
1:15pm – 2:15pm BOARD OF CERTIFICATION MEETINGS:
Board of Certification in Family Practice (BCFP)
David G. C. McCann, M.D., FAASFP, Chair
Board of Certification in Orthopedic Surgery (BCOS)
Allen R. Prince, D.O., FAASOS, Chair
Board of Certification in Radiology (BCR)
Maria Crumes, M.D., Chair
Board of Certification in Surgery (BCS)
Joseph M. Damiani, M.D., FAAPRS, Chair
2:15pm – 3:15pm BOARD OF CERTIFICATION MEETINGS:
Board of Certification in Anesthesiology (BCA)
Thomas S. Wood, D.O., FAAA., Chair
Board of Certification in Geriatric Medicine (BCGM)
Allan C. Genteman, D.O., Chair
Board of Certification in Internal Medicine (BCIM)
Thomas G. Pelz, D.O., FAAIM., Chair
3:15pm – 6:15pm Board of Certification in Emergency Medicine (BCEM)
David M. Lemonick, M.D., FAAEP, Chair

Monday, February 11, 2008

- 7:30am – 9:00am Continental Breakfast
8:00am – 4:30pm Emergency Medicine Oral Examination Review Workshop
(By Invitation Only)
8:00am – 5:00pm Written Examination Development Workshop
Oral Examination Development Workshop

Tuesday, February 12, 2008

- 7:30am – 9:00am Continental Breakfast
8:00am – 5:00pm Written Examination Development Workshop
Oral Examination Development Workshop

FACULTY DISCLOSURE

The AAPS believes in full disclosure. Each faculty member or sponsor is required to disclose real or apparent conflicts of interest relating to topics of the educational activity, as well as disclosure of unlabeled/unapproved uses of drugs or devices during their presentation(s). Faculty disclosure will be made at the beginning of each presentation. All faculty members have indicated they have no relationship with industry to disclose relative to the content of the CME activities.

Eight Good Reasons to Participate in the Certification Exam Development Workshops

- Earn CME
- Network with your colleagues
- Gain credit toward the distinguished Degree of Fellow
- Support and strengthen your Certification Specialty
- Exchange ideas
- Enhance your medical expertise
- Be recognized for your contribution to the certification process at both the Leadership Meeting and Annual Scientific Meeting
- Strengthen the standards and enhance the examination process and simultaneously position ABPS as a certification body of excellence



GENERAL INFORMATION

Hotel Information

Grand Hyatt Tampa Bay
2900 Bayport Drive
Tampa, Florida 33607
Phone: (813) 874-1234
www.grandtampabay.hyatt.com

Hotel Room Reservations

The American Association of Physician Specialists, Inc. (AAPS) has reserved a limited number of rooms for conference attendees at the preferred rate of \$179.00 per night plus applicable taxes and service charges. To reserve a room, call 800-233-1234 by **December 30, 2007**. Plan on making your room reservations early to ensure that you receive the preferred rate as rooms are limited. Hotel availability and room rates can not be guaranteed after **December 30th**.

Dining and Entertainment

The Grand Hyatt 35-acres bayside setting is in Tampa Bay's vibrant Westshore Business District, minutes from downtown and the beautiful west coast beaches. In addition, the Grand Hyatt is close to Busch Gardens, Florida Aquarium, Ybor City, the Raymond James Buccaneers Stadium, the St. Pete Times Lightning Hockey Arena, Performing Arts Center and Museum of Science and Industry (MOSI).

The Grand Hyatt restaurants include Armani's featuring award-winning northern Italian cuisine; Oystercatcher's waterfront location with a Key West flair to enjoy sunsets; Petey Brown's casual dining as well as Perk's Coffee Bar.



Transportation Information

By Air: Grand Hyatt Tampa Bay is only 1.5 miles from Tampa International Airport and provides quick and efficient complimentary airport shuttle service from 5:00 am – 1:00 am - seven days/week.

By Car: From the South: I-275 North to Exit 39 toward Tampa Airport/Clearwater (S.R. 60 West). Following merge onto W. Courtney Campbell Causeway (SR 60 to Clearwater) turn left at first traffic light onto Bayport Drive.

From the East: I-4 to I-275 South to Exit 39 toward Tampa Airport/Clearwater (S.R. 60 West). Following merge onto W. Courtney Campbell Causeway (SR 60 to Clearwater) turn left at first traffic light onto Bayport Drive.

From the North: I-275 South to Exit 39 toward Tampa Airport/Clearwater (S.R. 60 West). Following merge onto W. Courtney Campbell Causeway (SR 60 to Clearwater) turn left at first traffic light onto Bayport Drive.

From Tampa International Airport: Follow the sign to S.R. 60 West (Clearwater) and following merge onto W. Courtney Campbell Causeway (SR 60 to Clearwater) turn left at first traffic light onto Bayport Drive.

Climate and Clothing

The average temperature in February is in the mid to high 70s and the mid to high 50s in the evening. Business casual attire is appropriate for all conference events.

TWO EASY WAYS TO REGISTER:

Fax:

(813) 830-6599
if paying by credit card

Mail:

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All attendees must register for the 2008 Leadership Conference and Certification Workshops in advance. The registration fee covers conference materials, scheduled breakfasts, lunches, coffee breaks, cocktail reception, and certification workshops. To be considered registered for the meeting, all fees must be paid in full. **Registration Cut-Off is December 30, 2007.**

Confirmation of Registration

A confirmation letter will be mailed within two (2) weeks of AAPS receiving your registration information. Please retain copies of your registration information. If you do not receive a confirmation letter, please contact the AAPS Executive Offices immediately.

AAPS Meeting Attendance and Cancellation Policy

All persons attending any portion of the 2008 Leadership Conference and Certification Workshops must register and pay the entire registration fee regardless of purpose or the number of meetings attended. Written cancellations must be received by the AAPS prior to the registration cut-off, **December 30, 2007** in order to receive a full refund of meeting registration fees. Written cancellations received after **December 30th** may receive a credit towards a future AAPS meeting.

REGISTRATION:

Name _____ Address _____
Home Phone _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Work Phone _____ Fax _____ E-mail Address _____
Special Needs (Diet, Accessibility) _____

- Medical Ethics Course (separate registration fee applies) \$350.00 per person
 AAPS Member Registration **BEFORE or on December 30, 2007:** \$250.00 per person
 AAPS Member Late Registration **AFTER December 30:** \$450.00 per person
 Spouse/Guest Registration: _____ \$100.00 per person @ _____ # of guest(s)

TOTAL \$

Method of Payment: (Please check your method of payment)

- Check American Express Visa Master Card

Card Number _____ Expiration Date _____
Cardholder's Mailing Address (if different than mailing address above) _____
Signature _____ Date _____

CERTIFICATION WORKSHOP REGISTRATION (DIPLOMATES ONLY)

(Please check the session(s) you plan on attending)

Monday, February 11th

- Written Examination Development (specialty name) _____
 Oral Examination Development (specialty name) _____
 Emergency Medicine Oral Examination Review (Emergency Medicine Diplomates Only)

Tuesday, February 12th

- Written Examination Development (specialty name) _____
 Oral Examination Development (specialty name) _____



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