Management of Complex Benign Esophageal Disorders

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Intent and Objectives
At the completion of the course the attendees should have:

• Become familiar with the various management strategies for complicated GERD
• Gained an understanding of the surgical and interventional techniques which are used to treat Achalasia
• Become familiar with the status and effectiveness of the various endolumenal antireflux procedures
• Gained knowledge in the controversies and approaches to the management of giant paraesophageal hernia
• Developed an understanding of the potential pitfalls related to patient selection in the context of complicated benign esophageal disease.

Who Should Attend
This course is designed for general surgeons, thoracic surgeons, minimally invasive team members and gastroenterologists.

Continuing Education Credit
The University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine is accredited by the ACCME to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

The University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine designates this educational activity for a maximum of 15.0 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™. Physicians should only claim credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

Other health care professionals are awarded 1.5 continuing education units (CEU’s) which are equal to 15.0 contact hours.

Cover photos from top to bottom: The Pittsburgh Skyline; The Cathedral of Learning on the campus of the University of Pittsburgh; Frank Lloyd Wright’s Fallingwater; the Duquesne Incline climbs down the steep hill of Mt. Washington to the city of Pittsburgh below; in-line skating on the Roberto Clemente Bridge.

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania has been named by Frommer’s Guide as one if its top destinations for 2008. This year Pittsburgh is celebrating its 250th Birthday. A city rich in history that boasts internationally acclaimed cultural arts, champion sports teams and eclectic neighborhoods, Pittsburgh offers a variety of affordable and easily accessible activities like kayaking, hiking, biking, in-line skating, or fly-fishing. And it’s within an hour’s drive of Frank Lloyd Wright’s world famous Fallingwater and Ohiopyle’s world-class rapids, as well as the beautiful farmlands of Western Pennsylvania.

Schedule – Tuesday, April 22, 2008

Session 1

7:30 am Registration and Breakfast
7:50 am Welcome and Introduction
James Luketich, MD, FACS
8:00 am The Antireflux Barrier: The Anatomic Basis for GERD
Blair Jobe, MD, FACS
8:20 am The Medical Management of GERD: Long-Term Outcomes
Kenneth Fasanella, MD
8:40 am The Surgical Management of GERD: Long-Term Outcomes
Matthew Schuchert, MD
9:00 am Endolumenal Therapies for GERD: Past, Present and Future
William Richards, MD, FACS
9:20 am The Cutting Edge in Esophageal Physiology Testing and Imaging
Blair Jobe, MD, FACS
9:40 am Break

Session 2

10:00 am Redo Antireflux Surgery: The Good, The Bad, The Ugly
Rodney Landreneau, MD
10:20 am Complex Patient Selection and Preoperative Workup: From Vomiting to Laryngopharyngeal Reflux
Jeffrey Hagen, MD
10:40 am The Surgical Approach to Paraesophageal Hernia Repair: Which Practices Does the Evidence Support
Jeffrey Hagen, MD
11:00 am  The UPMC Approach to Paraesophageal Hernia Repair: Technique and Outcomes
James Luketich, MD, FACS

11:20 am  Question and Answer Session

11:40 am  Session 3 (Working Lunch)

Noon  Technique Video: Avoiding the Pitfalls of Redo Antireflux Surgery
James Luketich, MD, FACS

12:15 pm  Technique Video: Epiphrenic Diverticulum
Miguel Alvelo-Rivera, MD

12:30 pm  Technique Video: Endolumenal Antireflux Surgery – Esophyx
Manisha Shende, MD

12:45 pm  Technique Video: Transoral Zenker’s Diverticulotomy
Peter Ferson, MD

1:00 pm  Technique Video: Safe Transhiatal Mediastinal Dissection and Wedge Collis Gastroplasty
Blair Jobe, MD, FACS

1:15 pm  Break

1:40 pm  Session 4

1:40 pm  The Status of Non-Surgical Therapies in the Treatment of Achalasia
Kevin McGrath, MD

2:00 pm  Surgery for Achalasia: Technique and Outcomes
Arjun Pennathur, MD

2:20 pm  Antireflux Surgery After Heller Myotomy: Rationale and Evidence
William Richards, MD, FACS

2:40 pm  Treatment Options for Failed Primary Therapy and Sigmoid Esophagus
Sebastien Gilbert, MD

3:00 pm  The Surgical Treatment of Cervical Dysphagia With and Without Diverticulum
Jeffrey Hagen, MD

3:20 pm  Panel Discussion / Closing Remarks

3:40 pm  Tuesday Adjournment

5:30 pm  Technology Displays at the Fox Chapel Golf Club

7:00 pm  Optional Course Dinner – Fox Chapel Golf Club (see page 9)

Schedule – Wednesday, April 23, 2008

7:00 am  Case Reports and Live Demonstrations

Registration and Breakfast

7:30 am  Case Presentations
Blair Jobe, MD, FACS

8:30 am  Moderation of Live Surgeries:
Moderators: Jeffrey Hagen, MD and William Richards, MD, FACS
• Laparoscopic Giant Paraesophageal Hernia Repair
• Laparoscopic Heller Myotomy with Partial Fundoplication
• Endolumenal Antireflux Surgery - Esophyx
• Minimally Invasive Esophagectomy for Achalasia

12:00 pm  Lunch

12:30 pm  Completion of Cases

3:30 pm  Panel Discussion / Closing Remarks

4:00 pm  Conference Adjournment
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$150  Outside Residents, nurses, and other health care professionals

Registration fee includes:
• Continuing education credit
• Registration and course materials
• Continental breakfast, refreshments and lunch

Course Dinner (optional)

$35 – Tuesday, April 22, 2008 – Fox Chapel Golf Club
(transportation provided from the Wyndham)

Fox Chapel Golf Club
426 Fox Chapel Road
Pittsburgh, PA  15238

Meeting Location

The conference will be held at the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center, Biomedical Science Tower South, S120.

Accommodations

For hotel reservations, contact the Wyndham Garden Hotel and ask for the Management of Benign Esophageal Disorders room block.

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