Minimally Invasive Approaches to the Management of Achalasia and Other Benign Esophageal Disorders

June 18th – 20th, 2014
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

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Intent and Objectives

This two-day program will consist of a series of lectures as well as live case demonstrations highlighting the surgical management of benign esophageal disorders, including the role of esophageal surgeons in the use of endoscopic therapies. With world renowned guest speakers and our own experts, we will cover the full spectrum of topics under benign esophageal diseases. These experts will present technical aspects of various esophageal procedures, along with the risks, benefits, and outcomes.

Who Should Attend

This course is designed for general and thoracic surgeons, gastroenterologists, minimally invasive team members (MD, DO, RN, PA, NP), allied health professionals, and any interested medical, radiation, or surgical oncology specialists.

Continuing Education Credit:

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

The University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine designates this live activity for a maximum of 20.75 AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s). Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

Other health care professionals are awarded 2.0 continuing education units (CEU’s) which are equal to 20.7 contact hours.

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Physicians (Entire Conference, including Hands-On Wet Lab): $1,600
Physicians (Thursday and Friday Only): $300
Hands-On Wet Lab (Wednesday Only): $1,500
Other Healthcare Professionals (Thursday and Friday Only): $150
*Fees waived for UPMC Physicians and Staff (Thursday and Friday Only)

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Meeting Locations

**Wednesday, June 18th, 2014**
Peter M. Winter Institute for Simulation Education and Research (WISER)
230 McKee Place, Suite 300
Pittsburgh, PA 15213

**Thursday, June 19th, 2014**
Herberman Conference Center at UPMC Shadyside
5230 Center Avenue, Medical Building, 2nd Floor
Pittsburgh, PA 15232

**Friday, June 20th, 2014**
Charles G. Watson Center for Surgical Education
UPMC Presbyterian, Suite F600
200 Lothrop Street
Pittsburgh, PA 15213

COURSE AGENDA

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 18th, 2014**

12:00 PM: Lunch
1:00 PM: Hands-On Wet Lab
   - LINX Procedure
   - Per Oral Endoscopic Myotomy (POEM) Procedure
6:00 PM: Wednesday Adjournment

**THURSDAY, JUNE 19th, 2014**

7:30 AM: Registration and Breakfast
8:00 AM: Welcome and Introduction
James D. Luketich, MD, FACS
8:10 AM: Medical Workup and Diagnostic Testing for Benign Esophageal Disorders
Klaus Bielefeldt, MD
8:40 AM: Surgical Myotomy for Achalasia
Lee L. Swanstrom, MD

Registration by Fax or Postal Mail

If you are unable to register online, please contact Victoria Willman at (412) 648-6342 for a paper registration form. Registration forms must be completed and returned by Friday, June 2nd, 2014 to:

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The Department of Cardiothoracic Surgery
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PHONE: 412-864-1633
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**Registration is not accepted without payment**

Cancellation

All cancellations must be in writing and sent to us via U.S. mail, e-mail, or fax (see contact information below). Tuition for cancellations postmarked or date stamped before June 6th, 2014 will be refunded in full. After June 6th, 2014, a 30% administrative fee will be assessed, the remaining amount refunded, and no refunds will be made after June 13th, 2014. Cancellation requests can be sent to Victoria Willman.

The UPMC Center for Continuing Education in the Health Sciences reserves the right to cancel this program if sufficient registrations are not received. In the case of cancellation, the department will fully refund all registration fees.

Special Needs

Participation by all individuals is encouraged. Advance notification of any special needs will help us provide better service. Please notify us of your needs by June 6th, 2014 by calling (412) 648-6342.

Accommodations

For hotel reservations, contact the Hilton Garden Inn- University Place Hotel and ask for the UPMC Cardiothoracic Surgery Department- Benign Esophageal room block before Friday, June 6th, 2014 or go to this link to book your room:

http://tinyurl.com/BenignEsophageal

Hilton Garden Inn- University Place
University Place, 3454 Forbes Avenue
Pittsburgh, PA 15213
(P): 412-683-2040

For Additional Information, Contact:
Victoria Willman
9:10 AM: Avoiding Complications: POEMs Training Models and Credentials
Jeffrey M. Marks, MD, FACS, FASGE

9:30 AM: UPMC Achalasia Experience
James D. Luketich, MD, FACS

9:50 AM: Robotic Heller Myotomy
Benny Weksler, MD, MBA, FACS

10:15 AM: Coffee Break

10:30 AM: GERD and Lung Disease: Medical Approach
Matthew R. Morrell, MD

10:45 AM: GERD and Lung Disease: Surgical Approach
Jonathan D'Cunha, MD, PhD

11:00 AM: My Approach to the Routine GERD Patient Requiring Surgery
Lee L. Swanstrom, MD

11:30 – 12:30 PM: Lunch and Round-Table Discussion
• Case Presentations:
  - David D. Odell, MD, MSSc
  - Shawn G. Groth, MD

12:30 PM: Giant Paraesophageal Hernia: When and How I Do It?
Lee L. Swanstrom, MD

1:00 PM: Robotic Giant Paraesophageal Hernia Repair
Inderpal S. Sarkaria, MD

1:15 PM: UPMC Experience for Giant Paraesophageal Hernia
Katie S. Nason, MD, MPH

1:30 PM: Gastropexy for Paraesophageal Hernia: When and How I Do It?
James D. Luketich, MD, FACS

1:45 PM: Giant Paraesophageal Hernia: Nissen, Collis, or Partial- Does One Size Fit All?
Jonathan D'Cunha, MD, PhD

2:00 PM: Management of the Diaphragm and Crus in the Large Giant Paraesophageal Patient
Ryan M. Levy, MD

2:15 PM: Failed Surgery for Giant Paraesophageal Hernia: When to Consider Esophagectomy or Roux-En-Y
Omar Awais, DO

2:30 PM: Coffee Break with Round Table Discussion

3:00 PM: Medical Management of the Failed Nissen and When to Consider Surgery
James D. Luketich, MD, FACS

3:45 PM: New Technologies for GERD (LINX and Others)
Lee L. Swanstrom, MD

4:15 PM: Management of Esophageal Perforation
Benny Weksler, MD, MBA, FACS

4:30 PM: Round Table Discussion

5:00 PM: Conference Adjournment

FRIDAY, JUNE 20th, 2014:

7:30 AM: Breakfast and Registration

8:00 AM – 11:30 AM: Moderation of Live Surgery Broadcast
Moderator: Katie S. Nason, MD, MPH

11:30 AM – 12:30 PM: Lunch

12:30 PM: Resume Moderation of Live Surgery Broadcast
Moderator: Katie S. Nason, MD, MPH

5:00 PM: Conference Adjourned

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Registration for this course will be accepted as long as space is available, so register early. Registering online is the quickest and easiest way to reserve your space at this conference:

1. Visit our online registration site at: https://ccehs.upmc.com/liveFormalCourses.jsf
2. Scroll down to “June 18, 2014 – Minimally Invasive Approaches to the Management of Achalasia and Other Benign Esophageal Disorders”
3. Click the Registration button and enter all the requested information.
4. After registering, an electronic confirmation will be sent to the email address you provided during registration.

Please note: Registration is not complete until you receive the confirmation email. If you do not receive this email within 5-7 days of registration please contact us at (412) 648-6342. You must bring the confirmation with you to the conference.