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INTERNAL MEDICINE FOR PRIMARY CARE: CARDIOLOGY/INFECTIOUS DISEASES/SLEEP MEDICINE

**San Diego, CA - Hotel del Coronado
March 13 - 15, 2026**

Friday, March 13, 2026

7:00 am

Check-In

7:30 am - 8:30 am - Cardiology

Work-up of Patients with Suspected CAD

Risk factor evaluation and risk assessment models; Test selection including ECG, echo, nuclear and newer imaging modalities (including discussion of appropriate use criteria--AUC); The usefulness of CT scanning; The role of bio markers and EBCT; Suspected CAD in special populations (women, diabetics, the elderly)

8:30 am - 9:30 am - Cardiology

Hypertension

The 2017 AHA/ACC Hypertension Guidelines; The 2024 ESC Guidelines for hypertension; Approaches to treatment thresholds and goals; Choices for initial and combination therapy; Resistant hypertension; Treating special populations: diabetics, the elderly, patients with renal failure

9:30 am - 9:40 am

Coffee Break

9:40 am - 10:40 am - Cardiology

Heart Failure

Etiologies and stages of heart failure; ACC/AHA Heart Failure Guidelines; Heart failure with reduced EF (HFrEF) and heart failure with preserved EF (HFpEF); Determining patients for referral using biomarkers, eg NT Pro BNP; Treatment options: ACE inhibitors, ARBs, ARNI, beta blockers, mineralocorticoid receptor antagonists, SGLT2i; The role of devices in treatment and antiplatelet drugs; Issues related to the hospitalized patient with acute decompensated heart failure and readmissions

10:40 am - 11:40 am - Sleep Medicine

How Sleep Works

The drivers of sleep and integration of how these drivers can be used to improve sleep; Basic principles of sleep drive, circadian rhythm and sleep associations will be discussed; Related to cases to highlight these principles.

11:40 am - 12:40 pm - Sleep Medicine

Approach to the Patient Who Can't Sleep

Discussion of Insomnia, one of the most common complaints related to sleep; Determination of the underlying contributors; Review of a straight forward way to approach the complaint of inability to sleep and construction of therapeutic plans directed at the underlying issues; Common presentations of insomnia and the approach to restless legs syndrome.

12:40 pm

Session Adjourns

Saturday, March 14, 2026

7:00 am

Arrival

7:30 am - 8:30 am - Sleep Medicine

Evaluation and Treatment of the Excessively Sleepy Patient

Daytime sleepiness impairs approximately 15% of adults from getting the most out of their day; Review of the common and less common causes of daytime sleepiness including, behavioral insufficient sleep, narcolepsy, idiopathic hypersomnia and sleep related breathing disorders; The approach and therapeutic options for each disorder.

8:30 am - 9:30 am - Sleep Medicine

Restless Legs Syndrome and Other Nocturnal Events

This lecture will review the recent changes in our understanding and approach to Restless Legs Syndrome and Periodic Limb Movements of Sleep including newer treatment paradigms. In addition, the lecture will review the approach to evaluating and treating other nocturnal events.

9:30 am - 9:40 am

Coffee Break

9:40 am - 10:40 am - Cardiology

Primary & Secondary Prevention of CAD

Definitions; AHA/ACC and other lipid guidelines updates; HDL Cholesterol: The good cholesterol?; Metabolic syndrome and/or obesity; Who needs treatment and how much; The role of lifestyle changes, exercise and cardiac rehabilitation; Drug therapy updates; Risk calculation

10:40 am - 11:40 am - Infectious Diseases

Skin & Soft Tissue Infections

Presentation on important skin and soft-tissue infections and their prompt recognition, emphasizing evaluation and management strategies

11:40 am - 12:40 pm - Infectious Diseases

Respiratory Tract Infections

Discussion highlighting critical points regarding the diagnosis and management of pneumonia and bronchitis – with a focus on the impact of multidrug resistant pathogens

12:40 pm

Session Adjourns

Sunday, March 15, 2026

7:00 am

Arrival

7:30 am - 8:30 am - Infectious Diseases

Genitourinary Infections

Presentation on a relevant and clinically practical approach to the patient with genitourinary complaints focusing on the latest guidelines for the range of urinary tract infections and highlights of selected and important sexually-transmitted disease syndromes.

8:30 am - 9:30 am - Infectious Diseases

Gastrointestinal Infections & Clostridioides Difficile

Presentation on important enteric pathogens and their recognition, diagnosis and management; special emphasis on clostridioides difficile colitis and related updates from the ID and infection control literature

9:30 am

Conference Adjourns

Target Audience

This program is targeted to office-based primary care providers and other health professionals with updates in primary care medicine

Learning Objectives

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

- Describe the work-up, risk assessment and test selection of patients with suspected CAD
- Explain current concepts in the diagnosis and treatment of hypertension
- Implement treatment strategies reflective of recent guidelines and current evidence based medicine for heart failure
- Implement lifestyle changes as well as lipid and cholesterol guidelines for the prevention of CAD
- Discuss the basic mechanisms of sleep and circadian rhythm disorders
- Develop a therapeutic plan related to common complaints surrounding insomnia and restless legs syndrome
- Review therapeutic options for excessive sleepiness and obstructive sleep apnea
- Describe medical issues surrounding RLS, parasomnias and other special sleep issues
- Review epidemiology and microbiology of skin and soft tissue infections (SSTI)
- List common causative pathogens for various respiratory tract infections
- Diagnose and manage genitourinary infections
- Evaluate the severity of diarrhea and evaluate the need for treatment

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