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Chicago Essential Evidence Topics

The University of Illinois at Chicago Department of Family Medicine and the Illinois Academy of Family Physicians are pleased to announce that online registration for the Chicago Essential Evidence Topics conference, taking place **April 11-12, 2014** at UIC, is now open!

Family physicians, more than any other health care providers, are required to be knowledgeable of the most recent practices in a wide array of medical specialties. As such, these clinicians face an almost overwhelming task of staying abreast of current research and assessing it for clinical implications. This educational activity is designed to address primary care clinicians' knowledge and educational needs through short presentations that review and analyze recent findings from pertinent clinical research, with a specific focus on research studies that have immediate implications for practice.

Most of the studies reviewed will be randomized clinical trials and meta-analyses, which are considered the highest level of evidence for clinical effectiveness.

This activity is designed for family physicians, general internists, nurses, nurse practitioners, physician assistants and other health care professionals who have an interest in primary care.

For additional information about this exciting CME/CE program, [view our online brochure](#). To register visit [the IAFP Website](#) or call 630-435-0257.

IAFP Needs Speakers and Subject Matter Experts for 2014 Programs

The IAFP is pleased to announce that the 2014 Online Call for Speakers and Subject Matter Experts is now OPEN!

This includes, but is not limited to:

- 60 minute live webinar presentations.
- 30 minute up-to-date clinical topics for Annual Meeting.
- Patient education materials.
- Web-based and written enduring CME materials.

Are you interested in speaking about or developing education in a certain topic area? We welcome you to submit on more than one topic for any and all of the above formats.

IAFP members are our greatest resource for speakers and subject matter experts - Don't hesitate, complete your [online submission](#) today!

Questions? Email Sara Ortega at sortega@iafp.com.

Family Medicine Midwest - Innovate and Invigorate

2014 Call for Abstracts Now Open!

Physicians, Residents, Students, Healthcare Professionals, and Non-Healthcare Professionals are invited to submit proposals for the 3rd Annual Family Medicine Midwest Conference, taking place Friday, October 3 - Sunday, October 12, 2014 at the Radisson Plaza Hotel in Minneapolis, MN.

Submit an abstract within any of the following teaching method categories: Beginner Level Workshop, Intermediate Level Workshop, Seminar/Lecture, Case Study, Panel Discussion, Round Table Discussion, Paper & Research Presentation, and Poster Presentation.

[Click here](#) for the full abstract instructions.

All abstracts must be submitted via the online form.

Important Deadlines:

May 19 - For all presentations of any kind.

June 2 - Student Poster submissions ONLY.

Questions? Contact Sara Ortega at sortega@iafp.com

2014 Mini Needs Assessment Surveys

Fill Out the Surveys to Win a Gift Card!

The IAFP Education Team needs your feedback to provide the CME that you need. Throughout 2014, CME Connections will include a short, topical survey.

For each survey you complete, you will receive one entry into a quarterly drawing for a \$250 Visa gift card.



Complete the March Needs Assessment on Preventative Health Services today!

IAFP Lunch and Learn Webinars

Join us for the exciting March Lunch and Learn TOMORROW and earn FREE CME! Please note that seating is limited and could fill up. Don't hesitate - secure your spot today!

March Lunch and Learn Webinar - Quality Programs for the Medical Practice: Selecting Programs and Quality Measures

Presented by: William K. Faber, MD, MHCM, Chief Medical Officer, Health

Directions, LLC

Thursday, March 27, 2014, 12:00-1:00pm CST

Learning Objectives:

At the end of this session participants will:

- 1: Have a methodology for choosing discretionary quality metrics
- 2: Know the population health quality metrics most commonly valued in the market
- 3: Be able to think strategically about how their team can improve outcomes on these metrics
- 4: Have at least three tactical approaches to improving performance on commonly targeted quality metrics

[Register Online](#)

April Lunch and Learn Webinar - Diabetes Group Visits

Presented by: Alvia Siddiqi, MD, FAAFP, Illinois Health Connect PCCM, Automated Health Systems

Thursday, April 24, 2014 12:00-1:00pm CST

The Illinois Academy of Family Physicians and Illinois Health Connect (IHC) are pleased to co-host April's Lunch and Learn Webinar on Diabetes Group Visits.

Learning Objectives:

At the end of this session, participants will:

1. Understand how to promote and improve awareness of diabetes group visits as an innovative method to improve diabetes patient care. Attendees will
2. Learn the steps needed and resources available for how to conduct successful diabetes group visits.
3. Discuss the strengths and limitations of diabetes group visits.

[Register Online](#)

E-Cigarette Webinar Recording Available Online

Did you miss the March 17th Truth About E-Cigarettes and Your Patients webinar presented by Bechara Chourcair, MD and Michael Fiore, MD, MPH, MBA? The recording is now available online!

After watching the recording, participants will be able to:

- * Describe what is currently known about the potential harmful effects of e-cigarette use
- * Formulate a plan for talking to patients and answering their questions about the use of e-cigarettes
- * Compare and contrast the effects of using cigarettes versus e-cigarettes
- * Explain to patients current laws regarding e-cigarette use in Chicago

To access the recording, [click here!](#)

Emergency and Urgent Care Live Course in Chicago, IL (Wheeling)

With an average of two hours to assess, test, and stabilize a patient, knowing the latest treatment options during the evaluation is crucial.

Be prepared by attending the [AAFP's Emergency and Urgent Care live course](#) in Chicago, IL (Wheeling), April 2-5.

Take a trip - just north of the windy city, earn up to **28.5 AAFP Prescribed credits**, and learn best practices with evidence-based information on:

- **Clinical topics** that include vascular emergencies, lacerations and burns, new drugs of abuse and more
- **Emergency processes** to quickly move from assessment to stabilization
- **Effective treatment plan** prep for patients who may require inpatient care or referral
- **Diagnosis, treatment, and management** of patients who present with any number of conditions

Learn from leading experts in family medicine and other specialties on neurologic emergencies, ENT issues, pediatric emergencies, trauma, environmental emergencies, metabolic derangements, respiratory emergencies, cardiovascular emergencies, fatal rashes, abdomen-related emergencies, urologic emergencies, radiology and ultrasonography, headaches, orthopedic injuries, pain and sedation, suturing, vascular emergencies, acute renal failure, and [more](#).

Save when you register by March 4. [Register now](#) or call (800) 274-2237.

Other CME Opportunities

Pediatric Symposium - Office Evaluation and Management Musculoskeletal Conditions for the Primary Care Provider

Saturday, April 26, 2014

Presented by: Shriners Hospitals for Children - Chicago in Conjunction with the Chicago Medical Society

Who Should Attend: Pediatricians, family-practice physicians, nurse practitioners, physician assistants, school nurses with clinical responsibilities including a focus on pediatric practice.

Tuition: \$50. Includes continental breakfast. Due to limited seating, registration before Friday, April 11, 2014 is recommended.

Location: Shriners Hospitals for Children® - Chicago
2211 North Oak Park Avenue, Chicago, IL 60707-3392

General Information or Questions: Please contact: Cynthia Anderson, BSN, RN, cyanderson@shrinenet.org | 773-332-4921

For further details, please [view the brochure](#). To register, [click here](#).

**Annual Dinner Seminar: Breastfeeding - The New Standard of Care:
What Your Medical Practice Needs to Know**

Hosted by: The Chicago Area Breastfeeding Coalition

Presented by: Dr. Todd Wolynn, MD, MMM, IBCLC, President and CEO of Kids Plus Pediatrics; Executive Director of the Breastfeeding Center of Pittsburgh

May 5, 2014, 6:00-8:30pm

Johnson Auditorium, Advocate Lutheran General Hospital, 1775 West Dempster, Park Ridge, IL

With the Affordable Care Act in place, insurers have increased their coverage of breastfeeding support. Learn from a well-known national advocate what you need to know about breastfeeding trends and what influences them, how to support breastfeeding effectively and sustainably, and why now is the right time to improve the quality of breastfeeding help you provide your patients.

At this event the Chicago Area Breastfeeding Coalition will again be recognizing local Physicians and Nurse Practitioners for their role in providing outstanding breastfeeding support to families in the Greater Chicago area.

Registration is open to all. 1.5L CERPs have been applied for from the International Board of Lactation Consultant Examiners. Final registration deadline is April 28. Register before April 21 to avoid late registration fee.

For additional information and to register, please visit [the event website](#).

Questions? Comments? Contact Sara Ortega, Education & Accreditation Manager at sortega@iafp.com.