

Accreditation

This program has been certified by the College of Family Physicians of Canada and the British Columbia office for up to 7.75 Group Learning credits.

The University of British Columbia Division of Continuing Professional Development (UBC CPD) is fully accredited by the Committee on Accreditation of Continuing Medical Education (CACME) to provide study credits for continuing medical education for physicians. This course has been reviewed and approved by the UBC Division of Continuing Professional Development. This course is an Accredited Group Learning Activity eligible for up to 7.75 MOC Section 1 credits as defined by the Maintenance of Certification program of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada. Each physician should claim only those credits he/she actually spent in the activity.

This program was co-developed with Island Health Authority South Division of Gastroenterology and Nova Clinical Services and was planned to achieve scientific integrity, objectivity and balance.

Objectives

As a result of attending this program, the participant will be able to apply current knowledge to treat a wide range of gastrointestinal disorders.

As a result of attending specific presentations in this conference participants will be able to:

- Define, identify and discuss at least one of these three conditions: Inflammatory Bowel Disease, the Planning and Execution of a Polypectomy and Physician Burnout
- Reflect upon, discuss and be able to evaluate the Clinical Pathways in GI Disease
- Confidently discuss how to investigate and manage Atypical GERD with Poor Response to PPI
- Identify and discuss Rheumatological Manifestations of Inflammatory Bowel Disease
- Reflect upon and discuss what is new in the Future of Interventional Endoscopy
- Formulate a plan of medical care based on the Dermatological Manifestations of GI Disease
- Debate and evaluate what's new in Bariatric Surgery in 2018
- Define, identify and confidently discuss at least three of these five conditions or situations: what's new in GI Medical Imaging, Beta Blockers & Liver Disease, Hepatic Encephalopathy & Driving, How to Implement FODMAP and Other Diets, and Management of Acute and Chronic Pancreatitis.
- Confidently discuss providing medical care in disaster zones

Disclosure of Financial Support

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Potential for conflict(s) of interest:

A number of speakers have previously received grants/research support, been a member of a speakers bureau/honoraria or have received consulting fees or are members of advisory boards or received payment or honorariums for research or presentations from organization supporting this program or organizations whose products are being discussed in this conference.

Mitigating Potential Bias

The scientific planning committee has been assured by presenters that funds previously received by speakers were either irrelevant to the topic, were not applicable, that all relevant data both good and bad will be reviewed, that specific biologics will not be discussed, pharmaceuticals will not be mentioned by trade name, and only evidence based literature will be used.