



# ACG's Hepatitis School

**For Physicians, Physician Assistants,  
Nurse Practitioners and Nurses**



**An Intensive Clinical Update on  
Hepatitis Management**

**Friday, June 12, 2015 • 8:00 am – 4:15 pm**

**Seaport Hotel & World Trade Center  
Boston, Massachusetts**

*Course Co-Directors:*

**David E. Bernstein, MD, FACG**

**Mitchell L. Shiffman, MD, FACG**

**7.25  
CME  
credits!**

**Includes a 10-point MOC module!**

- 6:45 am **Registration and Continental Breakfast**
- 8:00 am **Introduction**  
*David E. Bernstein, MD, FACG*
- 8:10 am **HBV – Natural History and Management**  
*Mitchell L. Shiffman, MD, FACG*  
Discuss the natural history of hepatitis B, screening recommendations for HCC in HBV, and review HBV serologies and different immune stages of the disease.
- 8:30 am **HBV Treatment**  
*Paul Y. Kwo, MD, FACG*  
Explain current recommendations for the treatment of HBV and summarize the use of anti-HBV drugs to minimize transmission risk during pregnancy and to prevent reactivation of occult HBV during immunosuppression.
- 8:50 am **HCV: Epidemiology, Screening and Natural History**  
*Bruce A. Luxon, MD, PhD, FACG*  
Evaluate the presence of hepatitis C in the U.S. and describe the natural history of HCV infections and apply the current CDC screening recommendations in daily practice.
- 9:10 am **Diagnostic Testing and Staging**  
*David E. Bernstein, MD, FACG*  
Assess the current assays used in the diagnosis of hepatitis C and identify the current available point-of-care assays used for diagnosis of HCV; discuss current modalities available for staging fibrosis in HCV.
- 9:30 am **Break**
- 10:00 am **HCV – Treatment of Genotype 1: Now and in the Future**  
*Mitchell L. Shiffman, MD, FACG*  
Summarize the management of patients with genotype 1 and describe what the future holds for the management of these patients.
- 10:30 am **HCV – Treatment of Genotypes 2, 3 and 4: Now and in the Future**  
*David E. Bernstein, MD, FACG*  
Summarize the management of patients with genotype 2, 3 and 4 and describe what the future holds for the management of these patients.
- 11:00 am **HCV – Treatment of Cirrhosis**  
*Paul Y. Kwo, MD, FACG*  
Explain the current and future anti-viral treatment of the cirrhotic patient.

**Program Description and Accreditation/CME:** Hepatitis School is a day-long interactive educational program providing an immersion in hepatitis B and hepatitis C management, and a clinical update on new therapeutic modalities and approaches. The program will focus on the epidemiology and treatment of hepatitis B, the epidemiology of hepatitis C, assessing candidates for therapy, the currently approved therapies for hepatitis C and the pipeline of new drug development for the treatment of hepatitis C, approaches to patients with HCV-HIV co-infection and how to navigate the complex insurance processes related to HCV treatment. After completion of Hepatitis School, attendees will be able to identify appropriate candidates for therapy, describe the pre-treatment evaluation, recommend appropriate therapies for naïve and previously treated hepatitis C patients based on genotype and be able to address the side effects of these therapies, and understand the timeline of new drug development for the treatment of hepatitis C infection. Participating in this education activity will enable learners to analyze the challenges in treating patients with HIV/HCV co-infection, describe the drug-interactions specific to patients with co-infections, and explain (a) current approved therapies for HCV/HIV co-infection, (b) the use of HCV protease inhibitors in the treatment of patients with co-infection and (c) the current anti-viral treatment of the cirrhotic patient.

The program is designed primarily for clinicians in GI/hepatology as well as physician assistants, nurse practitioners and other advanced practice healthcare professionals interested in an aggressive but scientifically sound approach to the management of GI and liver illnesses.

The American College of Gastroenterology is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

The American College of Gastroenterology designates this live activity for a maximum of 7.25 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

- 11:20 am **HCV Pitfalls in Treating Patients: If It Is So Easy, Why Are There Still Errors?**  
*April Long, NP*  
Discuss the approved criteria for the treatment of HCV and review difficult to treat patient populations and resistance in HCV treatment.
- 11:40 am **Q & A**
- 12:00 noon **Lunch and Faculty Case Presentations**
- 1:00 pm **HCV/HIV Co-infection**  
*Bruce A. Luxon, MD, PhD, FAGC*  
Analyze the challenges in treating patients with HIV/HCV co-infection, describe the drug interactions specific to patients with co-infections, and explain current approved therapies for HCV/HIV co-infection and the use of HCV protease inhibitors in the treatment of patients with co-infection.
- 1:20 pm **HCV and HCC**  
*Paul Y. Kwo, MD, FAGC*  
Explain the relationship between HCV and HCC, discuss screening strategies for evaluation of HCC and prognosis of HCC after diagnosis.
- 1:40 pm **HCV Treatment Pre- and Post-Transplantation**  
*Mitchell L. Shiffman, MD, FAGC*  
Explain the natural history of HCV after transplantation and discuss recent studies evaluating direct acting anti-virals pre- and post-liver transplantation.
- 2:00 pm **HCV Treatment: Assessing the Patient Prior to Treatment. How Will This Change in the Future?**  
*Bruce A. Luxon, MD, PhD, FAGC*  
Describe how assessing patients prior to treatment will change in the future.
- 2:20 pm **HBV/HCV Treatment: Side Effects and Management**  
*David E. Bernstein, MD, FAGC*  
Outline common side effects of hepatitis B and C therapies and the strategies to treat common side effects. Differentiate between reversible and irreversible side effects of HBV and HCV treatments.
- 2:40 pm **Break**
- 3:00 pm **HCV: How Do We Get the Medications to Our Patients?**  
*April Long, NP*  
Discuss the process of obtaining HCV medications for patients including the pre-approval process. Review the appeal process, if therapy is denied.
- 3:20 pm **Case Discussions**
- 4:15 pm **Wrap-up and Adjourn**

**Accommodations:** The program will be held at the Seaport Hotel & World Trade Center. Located in the Seaport District, also known as South Boston Waterfront, you'll find the Institute of Contemporary Art, Boston Children's Museum, HarborWalk, plus numerous restaurants to choose from. To make your reservations at the Seaport Hotel & World Trade Center, call 877-732-7678 or 617-385-4000. Special meeting rates per night are \$229/single and \$239/double plus tax (tax is currently 14.45%). Additional fees of service charge and tax may apply. The hotel accepts MasterCard, VISA, American Express, Discover and Diner's Club. **Reservations must be made by May 21, 2015.** There are a limited number of rooms available at the meeting rate. There is no guarantee that rooms will be available up to the deadline date, and there is no guarantee that rooms will be available at the ACG meeting rate. Rates quoted are on a space available basis only. Cancellations made within 24 hours of arrival will be penalized for one night's room and tax. Cancellations made at least 24 hours prior to arrival will not be penalized. Check-in is 3:00 pm. Check-out is 12:00 noon. The Seaport Hotel & World Trade Center is located at One Seaport Lane, Boston, Massachusetts 02210.

**Registration:** The registration fee includes a course syllabus. All registrants must pay the full registration fee; one-day registration for the Postgraduate Course or other partial registration is not available. Full refund of registration fees will be given, less a \$25 administrative fee, if written notice of cancellation is received by ACG by May 29, 2015. No refunds will be given after this date. Attendees may register by submitting the enclosed registration form with payment in U.S. funds to the College headquarters by fax to 301-263-9025, by mail to ACG, 6400 Goldsboro Road, Suite 200, Bethesda, MD 20817, or online at [www.gi.org/education-and-meetings/regional-meetings](http://www.gi.org/education-and-meetings/regional-meetings).

**More Information:** For more information about this course, call ACG at 301-263-9000. Americans with Disabilities Act: Attendees of this ACG course who need additional reasonable accommodations or who have special needs (including dietary needs) should contact the ACG office at 301-263-9000 no later than May 21, 2015.



## Registration Form

### ACG's Hepatitis School

June 12, 2015, Boston, Massachusetts

## Participant Information

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## Hepatitis School MOC Module Available to All Attendees

Attend ACG's Hepatitis School on Friday, June 12, and earn 10 MOC points when you successfully complete the 30-question online module, which is free to all Hepatitis School attendees.

Instructions on how to access the online MOC module will be provided at the conclusion of the program.

Physician Assistants who successfully complete the module may earn 2.5 AAPA Category 1 Self-Assessment CME credits.

