

CME Calendar

Schedules are subject to change. For more information about any of these events, call Ochsner's CME Department at 800 778-9353 or 504 842-3702 or visit www.ochsner.org/cme. Online registration is available.

March 13-16, 2003
Piedmont Society Meeting
Charleston Place, Charleston, SC

The Annual Piedmont Society Meeting is targeted to General and Colorectal Surgeons and Residents and it provides a forum for disseminating information and for encouraging open discussion between the society members and the academic surgeons. The small forum promotes the dialogue surrounding the controversial treatment and diagnostic issues. Registration: \$225.

May 1-3, 2003
Twelfth Annual Endocrinology Update
Hyatt Regency, New Orleans, LA

The purpose of this course is to provide the physicians who care for patients with different endocrine disorders an update of new diagnostic and therapeutic techniques on managing endocrine diseases. The Ochsner Clinic Foundation designates this educational activity for a maximum of a tentative 17.25 hours of Category 1 credit towards the AMA Physician's Recognition Award.

March 28-29, 2003
Practical Stroke Diagnosis, Management, and Prevention
Hyatt Regency Hotel, New Orleans, LA

There are many new therapies for the diagnosis, treatment, and prevention of stroke. Many of these therapies have been developed in the last 5 years and are just now becoming part of standard of care. Practicing physicians are often not aware of the uses and implications of recent literature or risk stratification and use of these therapies. This new technology has led to many requests on the part of caregivers, as well as a perceived need from local experts for a formalized course addressing practical concerns. Registration: \$250.

May 2-3, 2003
2ND Annual 24-Hour Physiology: Clinical Medicine & Sleep
Hyatt Regency Hotel, New Orleans, LA

This conference is designed for Internists, Sleep Medicine Professionals, Endocrinologists, Respiratory Therapists, and Respiratory/ Pulmonary Physicians to discuss topics related to sleep/circadian physiology as they impact various areas of general medicine. This conference will be conducted in classroom style seating. The field of sleep medicine offers new and exciting information and perspectives relevant to general medicine, but this information is seldom communicated to practicing physicians. Registration: \$175.

April 27-28, 2003
A Jazzfest Update in Gastroenterology and Hepatology
Brent House Hotel, Ochsner Clinic Foundation, New Orleans, LA

General update covering a wide variety of topics: Treatment of Hepatitis B and C, Applications of the video capsule, Use of Endoscopic Ultrasound, Treatment of Hepatocellular Carcinoma, Fatty liver disease, and Challenging cases in gastroenterology and hepatology. The course is designed for the practicing gastroenterologist, although would be applicable to general internists and surgeons who have a specific interest in these disorders.

May 16-18, 2003
Gulf Coast All Cancer Conference
Grand Casino, Biloxi, MS

In light of the advances in the field of cancer care, the "All Cancer Conference" will feature the biologic background of cancer, its translation into cancer screening including changing reimbursement for these services. New medical, radiation-based, and surgical approaches to patients with various forms of malignancy will be thoroughly reviewed. Also highlighted will be some system approaches to better identify and treat patients with diagnosed cancer.

May 1-3, 2003
Optimal Management of the Hospitalized Patient, A Jazz Fest Symposium
Hyatt Regency Hotel, New Orleans, LA

This conference will serve to update practicing physicians of the newest concepts in the various specialties of Internal Medicine relating to conditions requiring hospitalization. These concepts will include the newest advances in pharmacology, technology, clinical pathways and evidence based standards of care, as well as practice guidance and risk management.

May 30-31, 2003
Ochsner Clinic Foundation Breast Imaging Symposium
Brent House Hotel, Ochsner Clinic Foundation, New Orleans, LA

Innovations in technology, as well as increase public awareness around minimally invasive surgical offerings, have created a need for physicians to become more aware of new approaches in diagnostic and staging techniques. The purpose of these programs is to enhance physician awareness and comprehension of minimally invasive approaches in diagnosis and staging of cancer and to discern what role these procedures might have in their practice.