Program Objectives:
1. Describe the steps in identifying an acute ischemic stroke and rationale for treatment decisions.
2. Differentiate two types of hemorrhagic stroke and neurosurgical decisions related to treatment options.
3. Describe the role of interventional radiology in the management of acute stroke.
4. Discuss patient management decisions for the pregnant patient with acute intracranial crisis.
5. Analyze patient selection, treatment efficacy and safety in decision-making for use of IV TPA in emergency department.
6. Describe triage decision steps for acute ischemic stroke in a community hospital emergency department.
7. Describe patient care, monitoring and safety concerns during an intracatabil transfer for stroke care.
8. Review key concepts of the NIH stroke scale in assessing the severity of a stroke patient.
9. State four emergency nursing priorities in caring for the acute stroke patient.
10. Identify tools, processes and approaches in building a successful stroke team.

Target Audiences:
Neurology, neurosurgery, emergency medicine, internal medicine, family practice, neuroradiology, obstetrics, residents, registered nurses, nurse practitioners, prehospital care providers, case managers, administrators, allied health staff.

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Conference Agenda

Day 1 • Thursday, May 14, 2009
4:30–5:55 p.m. Registration and dinner
4:55–5 p.m. Welcome
P. Mark Li, M.D., Ph.D
5–6 p.m. Acute Ischemic Stroke: The Neurologist’s Perspective
John Castaldo, M.D.
6–7 p.m. Acute Hemorrhagic Stroke: The Neuroradiologist’s Perspective
P. Mark Li, M.D., Ph.D.
7–7:15 p.m. Break
7:15–8:15 p.m. Acute Interventional Radiology and Stroke
Darryn Shaff, M.D.
8:15–8:30 p.m. Closing remarks and evaluation

Day 2 • May 15, 2009
7–8 a.m. Obstetrical Stroke Emergencies—Saving MOM...The Perfect Storm
Onor Ross, M.D.
John Castaldo, M.D.
P. Mark Li, M.D., Ph.D.
8–8:25 a.m. Registration and Continental Breakfast
8:25–8:30 a.m. Welcome
John Castaldo, M.D.
8:30–9:30 a.m. Stroking Together: Emergency Stroke Care
Richard Mackenzie, M.D., FACEP
9:30–10:30 a.m. Emergency Stroke: The Community Hospital Experience
John Wheary, D.O.
10:30–11 a.m. Break and Exhibits
11 a.m.–noon MedEc: Support—Stroke a Pilot’s Perspective From 5,000 Feet
Joseph Ryciec, R.N., CFWN
12–1 p.m. Lunch
1–2 p.m. Clinical Exam 101—NIH Stroke Scale
Jay Varrato, D.O.
2–3 p.m. Acute Stroke: The Nurse’s Perspective
Ciarane Mathiesen, M.S.N., R.N., C.R.N.P.
3–3:15 p.m. Break
3:15–4:15 p.m. Putting It All Together: How to Get Stroke Team Collaboration That Works
John Castaldo, M.D.
4:15–4:30 p.m. Closing remarks and evaluation

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