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Dear WMSHP Members,

We are excited to announce our Spring 2017 event entitled "**Breaking Ground:**

Enhancing Clinical Knowledge in**Pharmacotherapeutics"! This event will****feature topics which include: Infectious****Diseases, Cardiology, Critical Care,****Alternative Medicine, Compounding, and****Policy. This event will take place on Sunday May 21st starting at 7:00am at Holy Cross Hospital in Silver Spring, MD.**

This year's keynote speaker is none other than **Dr. Glenn Wortmann, MD**- Section Chief of Infectious Diseases and the Chair of Infection Control Committee at Medstar Washington Hospital Center. In addition, we will also feature: **Dr. Harish Jarett, MD**- speaking on current updates in cardiopulmonary therapeutics, **Dr. Muideen Adigun, PharmD**- delving into one of his favorite pharmacotherapeutic topics of advanced medicine, **Dr. Pia Puatrakul, PharmD**- offering a unique perspective on alternative medicine, **Dr. Vaiyapuri Subramaniam, PharmD**- to deliver comments on updates in USP 797 Compounding, and **Dr. Cristina Klafehn, PharmD** - to speak on the fascinating topic of the FDA's "Medwatch".

In addition to our amazing speaker's line-up, we will also have our wonderful Industry Representatives discussing information about their products. Furthermore, raffle tickets will be handed out to everyone who stops by their respective booths. Breakfast and Lunch will be included to all who attend. Please mark the date on your calendar and look out for registration information later next month (see website for additional details).

Warm regards and best wishes,

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President, WMSHP

Clinical Capsule

Options in the Management of Sickle Cell Disease

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ABSTRACT: Sickle cell disease (SCD), a hereditary blood disorder that causes the body to produce abnormal sickle hemoglobin (HbS), has become the driving force for a series of resultant medical complications. Such clinical manifestations include anemia via hemolysis, iron overload secondary to repeated blood transfusions, bacterial infections, pulmonary complications, vascular occlusion, and episodic pain crises. Preventative therapy most commonly consists of hydroxyurea, routine vaccinations, and prophylactic antibiotics. However, iron chelation therapy and pain management are considered mainstay treatment options as the disease persists. Because SCD can drastically reduce quality of life and life expectancy, it is vital that the pharmacist plays a fundamental role in providing an optimal treatment and management plan for each individual patient combating this disease.

US Pharm. 2015;40(7)(Specialty&Oncology suppl):4-7.

Read the full article at: <https://www.uspharmacist.com/article/options-in-the-management-of-sickle-cell-disease#sthash.ZGELdKrJ.dpuf>

Upcoming Events

Spring 2017 Meeting

Location:

Holy Cross Hospital
1500 Forest Glen Road
Silver Spring, MD 20910
Conference Room A

RSVP:

Registration Opens Early
April (TBD)

Reducing Readmission Rates

(NON-CE Event)

Location TBD

Tuesday, March 28, 2017
6:30 PM

Must RSVP WMSHP by
Sunday, March 26, 2017

Email webwmsHP@gmail.com
or visit <http://wmsHP.org/event-registration.php>

Registration is closed

Photo Gallery



Understanding Re-Admission
Tuesday, March 26, 2017 Il Maggiano's

