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Pediatric Evening Lecture Series
September 10, 2020 • January 14, 2021 • March 25, 2021
6:30pm - 8:00pm | ZOOM URL to be provided upon registration

September 10, 2020 • 6:30pm - 8:00pm
Identifying Medically Intractable Epilepsy: Who is a Candidate for Epilepsy Surgery?
David Hersh, MD
Division of Pediatric Neurosurgery; Connecticut Children’s; Assistant Professor of Surgery, UConn School of Medicine
Jennifer Madan Cohen, MD
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Objectives:
1. Define medically intractable epilepsy and describe its prevalence in the pediatric population
2. Describe the medical and social consequences of uncontrolled epilepsy
3. Identify pediatric patients who warrant additional work-up in an epilepsy center

January 14, 2021 • 6:30pm - 8:00pm
Adolescent Gynecology: Contraception and STDs
Alyssa Bennett, MD
Division Head, Adolescent Medicine Connecticut Children’s; Assistant Professor of Pediatrics, UConn School of Medicine
Jessica MacCormac, DO
Attending, Adolescent Medicine, Connecticut Children’s

Objectives:
1. List common contraindications to combined hormonal contraceptives and be able to identify sources to seek additional information for guidance in using these methods in patients with medical comorbidities.
2. Demonstrate effective counseling techniques to promote contraception, particularly LARC methods.
3. Identify clinical features of various STIs and formulate an appropriate management plan.

March 25, 2021 • 6:30pm - 8:00pm
Ophthalmology Basics for the Pediatrician
Caroline DeBenedictis, MD
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Janine Collinge, MD
Attending, Division of Ophthalmology, Connecticut Children’s Specialty Group, Connecticut Children’s; Assistant Professor of Surgery, UConnSchool of Medicine

Objectives:
1. Explain the basics of common pediatric eye conditions
2. Identify appropriate treatment options for common pediatric eye conditions

Introduction: Through the Pediatric Evening Lecture Series, Connecticut Children’s Department of Continuing Medical Education offers educational programs dealing with a wide spectrum of medical topics of interest to the medical community.

Needs Assessment: Topic selection is based on needs identified through hospital admission and referral patterns, clinical guidelines developed by specialty organizations, licensing and certification criteria, input from Connecticut Children’s sub-specialists, and feedback from the practicing community. The Office of Continuing Medical Education plans evidence-based, CME activities that enhance physician competence and performance, improve patient outcomes, and better equip physicians and other health care providers to practice in a changing healthcare environment. The Pediatric Evening Lecture Series strives to present a practical and evidence-based approach to common pediatric topics that impact primary care practitioners.

Target Audience: This activity is designed for pediatricians, family practitioners, pediatric advanced-practice nurse practitioners, physician assistants, registered nurses, and school nurses also may find the information valuable.

Format: Virtual Lecture/Workshop, interactive breakout sessions, Q&A

Accreditation: These activities have been planned and implemented in accordance with the Essential Areas and Policies of the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) by Connecticut Children’s. Connecticut Children’s designates the Pediatric Evening Lecture Series for a maximum of 4.5 AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s) TM. Physicians should claim credit commensurate with the extent of their participation.

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The Andrulonis Child Mental Health Evening Lecture Series

October 20, 2020 • April 20, 2021
6:30pm – 8:00pm | ZOOM URL to be provided upon registration

October 20, 2020 • 6:30pm – 8:00pm
Navigating Autism in the 2020: A Toolkit for Pediatric Primary Care

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Attending physician Developmental-Behavioral Pediatrics, Connecticut Children’s; Assistant Professor Pediatrics, UConn School of Medicine

Ana Garnecho, MD
Attending physician Developmental-Behavioral Pediatrics, Connecticut Children’s; Assistant Professor Pediatrics, UConn School of Medicine

Goals:
1. Provide attendees a skill set to navigate screening, evaluation, and management for autism spectrum disorders from the primary care setting.
2. Develop awareness of racial and socioeconomic disparities related to autism spectrum disorders.

Educational Objectives:
Attendees will be able to:
1. Describe and apply current research about healthcare disparities related to autism.
2. Discuss which services are beneficial for patients given their level of autism severity and comorbidities.
3. Apply a systems-based framework to navigating and advocating for autism services and treatment from the primary care setting.

April 20, 2021 • 6:30pm – 8:00pm
Helping Children with Learning Attentional and other Developmental Disorders/Understanding Educational/Neuropsychological Evaluations and How Students Qualify for Intervention Services at School

Gary Isenberg, Psy.D
Pediatric Neuropsychologist, Connecticut Pediatric Neuropsychology Associates, Connecticut Children’s

Lisa Namerow, MD
Associate Clinical Professor of Psychiatry and Pediatrics, UConn School of Medicine

Objectives:
1. Explain how to interpret educational and neuropsychological evaluations
2. Review the process by which children can potentially qualify for intervention service through their public school system
3. Distinguish when to advise that children undergo an independent educational or neuropsychological evaluation and how parents can effectively advocate for this with their school district

Introduction: This lecture series is supported by the Dr. Paul A. “Tony” Andrulonis Memorial Fund for Child and Adolescent Mental Health. We are pleased to be able to present this lecture series as part of Tony’s legacy - a reminder of his dedication to excellence and education in child psychiatry and mental health.

Needs Assessment: Using a variety of needs assessment tools, including: surveys of the target audience, Connecticut Children’s admissions data, state and local data, approved standards of care, licensing and certification criteria, and input from Connecticut Children’s sub-specialists, the Office of Continuing Medical Education plans evidence-based CME activities that enhance the competence and performance of health care providers, improve patient outcomes, and better equip physicians to practice in a changing healthcare environment. With increasing frequency, primary care pediatric practitioners are required to diagnose and manage a variety of mental health issues. The Andrulonis Child Mental Health Evening Lecture Series is structured to improve the skill sets required to meet this challenge.

Target Audience: This activity is designed for pediatricians, family practitioners, psychiatrists, pediatric advanced-practice nurse practitioners and physician assistants. Child and adolescent psychologists, registered nurses, school nurses and school social workers also may find the information valuable.

Format: Virtual Lecture/Workshop, interactive breakout sessions, Q&A

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