



2026 BOARD REVIEW COURSE

AGENDA

SATURDAY, OCT 3, 2026

Baylor St Luke's Medical Center - McNair
Conference Room A & B
7200 Cambridge Street
Houston, Texas 77030

7 AM Registration & Breakfast
7:40 AM Welcome Remarks, Course Orientation and Overview

Esophagus

8:00 AM	Reena Choksi, MD	Esophageal Motility and Functional Disorders
8:20 AM	Kalpesh Patel, MD	GERD & Reflux Testing
8:40 AM	Mimi Tan, MD	Barrett's Esophagus and Esophageal Neoplasm
9:00 AM	Jessica Bernica, MD	Esophageal Potpourri
9:20 AM	_____	BREAK _____

Stomach

9:30 AM	David Szafron, MD	Non-variceal Upper GI Bleeding and PUD
9:50 AM	Rehman Sheikh, MD	Gastric Motility and Functional Disorder
10:10 AM	Clark Hair, MD	Lumps and Bumps of the UGI Tract
10:30 AM	Suneal Agarwal, MD	Gastric Cancer and Mucosal Disorders
10:50 AM	_____	BREAK _____

Small and Large Intestine Part I

11:00 AM	Nabil Mansour, MD	Chronic Diarrhea and Small Bowel Disease
11:20 AM	Krish Subramanian, MD	IBD Clinical Features and Treatment
11:40 AM	Disha Kumar, MD	Small Bowel Potpourri
12 PM	_____	LUNCH _____

Small and Large Intestine Part II

12:40 PM	Hamidreza Moein, MD	Colon Polyps/Colorectal Cancer, Hereditary Colon Cancer
1:00 PM	Milena Gould, MD	Diverticular Disease/Lower GI Bleeding
1:20 PM	Jared Sninsky, MD	Non IBD Colitis
1:40 PM	_____	BREAK _____

Small and Large Intestine Part III

1:50 PM	Robert Sealock, MD	Pancreas Neoplasm and Cysts
2:10 PM	Wasif Abidi, MD	Acute Pancreatitis
2:30 PM	Mohamed Othman, MD	Chronic Pancreatitis
2:50 PM	Fares Ayoub, MD	Gallbladder and Biliary Disease
3:10 PM	Ruben Hernaez, MD	Informed Consent, Ethics, and Biostatistics
3:30 PM	_____	ADJOURN _____



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Liver

8:00 AM	Avegail Flores, MD	PSC, Autoimmune Hepatitis, DILI, Hascular Liver Disease
8:30 AM	Howard Lee, MD	Inherited Liver Disease
9:00 AM	Maryam Zafar, MD	Steatosis Liver Disease and MASLD
9:30 AM	Gagan Sood, MD	Viral Hepatitis
10:00 AM	—————	BREAK —————

Liver Part II

10:10 AM	Shilpa Jain, MD	Liver Histopathology
10:30 AM	Saira Khaderi, MD	Liver Masses
10:50 AM	Prasun Jalal, MD	Acute Liver Failure and Liver Transplantation
11:10 AM	Rise Stribling, MD	Liver Disease in Pregnancy
11:30 PM	Nagasri Shankar, MD	Portal Hypertension: Management of Varices and Ascites
11:50 PM	Maya Balakrishnan, MD	Portal Hypertension: HE, HRS, Portopulmonary Hypertension
12:10 PM	—————	ADJOURN —————

Needs Statement

Updating practicing physicians and other health professionals in both the diagnosis and management of gastrointestinal and liver diseases/conditions is essential to providing quality care leading to improved patient outcomes. This activity is designed to increase knowledge, improve competence and enhance performance of the physician learners in practice to ultimately better patient care and outcomes in gastroenterology.

Learning Objectives

At the conclusion of the conference, participants should be able to:

- Evaluate and manage esophageal disorders including esophageal motility and functional disorders, GERD and reflux testing, Barrett's esophagus and esophageal neoplasms, and esophageal conditions such as foreign body impaction, eosinophilic esophagitis, and esophageal infections.
- Diagnose and manage gastric conditions including non-variceal upper GI bleeding and peptic ulcer disease, gastric motility and functional disorders, subepithelial lesions (gastric polyps, stromal tumors, and gastric neuroendocrine tumors), and gastric cancer with associated mucosal disorders such as intestinal metaplasia and Helicobacter pylori infection.
- Recognize and manage small bowel and inflammatory conditions including chronic diarrhea, celiac disease, small bowel infections, benign and malignant small bowel neoplasms, vascular disorders of the small bowel, inflammatory bowel disease, and non-IBD colitis.
- Evaluate and manage colorectal conditions including colorectal motility and functional disorders (IBS and SIBO), colon polyps, colorectal cancer, hereditary colorectal cancer and polyposis syndromes, and diverticular disease with lower GI bleeding.
- Diagnose and manage pancreaticobiliary disorders including pancreatic neoplasms and cysts, acute and chronic pancreatitis, and gallbladder and biliary disease.
- Identify and manage parenchymal and metabolic liver diseases including primary sclerosing cholangitis, autoimmune hepatitis, drug-induced liver injury, vascular liver disease, inherited liver diseases (iron overload, Wilson disease, alpha-1 antitrypsin deficiency, cystic fibrosis, and sickle cell hepatopathy), steatotic liver disease (MASLD), viral hepatitis, liver histopathology, and liver masses.
- Evaluate and manage acute and decompensated liver disease including acute liver failure, liver transplantation, liver disease in pregnancy, and complications of portal hypertension such as variceal bleeding, ascites, hepatic encephalopathy, hepatorenal syndrome, and portopulmonary hypertension.
- Apply principles of informed consent, medical ethics, and biostatistics to clinical decision-making and evidence-based practice in gastroenterology and hepatology.

Target Audience

Gastroenterologists, hepatologists, internists, primary care physicians, nurses, nurse practitioners, physician assistants, fellows, medical trainees and students in the field of Gastroenterology.

Educational Methods

Lecture, question & answer session and panel discussion

Activity Evaluation

Evaluation by questionnaire will address program content, presentation and possible bias.

Accreditation/credit designation statement

Physician

Baylor College of Medicine is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

Baylor College of Medicine designates this live activity for a maximum of 10.25 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

Ethics

The presentation, Informed Consent, Ethics, and Biostatistics, has been designated by Baylor College of Medicine for 0.25 credit of education in medical ethics and/or professional responsibility.

ABIM MOC Credit

Successful completion of this CME activity, which includes participation in the evaluation component, enables the participant to earn up to 10.25 MOC points in the American Board of Internal Medicine's (ABIM) Maintenance of Certification (MOC) program. Participants will earn MOC points equivalent to the amount of CME credits claimed for the activity. It is the CME activity provider's responsibility to submit participant completion information to ACCME for the purpose of granting ABIM MOC credit.