

2020 Special Edition

Sessions

General Session: because I said I would.

Keynote Speaker Alex Sheen, founder and CEO of because I said I would, an international social movement and nonprofit inspiring millions of people around the world to keep their promises.

A Call to Action: Raising Awareness About Nutritional Health

This session provides a convenient and unique opportunity for clinicians to participate in medical education which focuses on the need for the PA profession to address the critical public health topic of nutrition.

A Day in the Life of a Hospitalist PA

Care of the hospitalized patient is complex and encompasses a multitude of clinical conditions. This session is designed to lead participants through a typical day of a hospitalist PA, including performing admissions and daily rounds and addressing calls from nurses. Clinical scenarios are utilized to engage participants. This session is applicable not only to hospital internal medicine PAs but also to PAs in other hospital-based medicine and surgical subspecialties.

Burn Baby Burn! The Evaluation and Diagnosis of Oral Lesions

Oral lesions are common in all patient populations and can be very similar in presentation and appearance, which often makes them difficult to diagnose. This session presents a real-life patient scenario, from patient presentation to diagnosis, focusing on the differences between similar oral lesion presentations and provides clinical pearls to increase the participant's knowledge and ability to correctly diagnose patients with oral lesions.

Diabetes Case Studies: Navigating the Alphabet Soup of Treatment Options

This interactive, case-based session features real world clinical scenarios to demonstrate optimization of diabetes treatment plans. The session explores critical decision-making when selecting from the variety of available anti-hyperglycemia agents with an effort at reducing complications and hypoglycemia.

Early Intervention Improves Outcomes

This session outlines how to diagnose obesity and pre-obesity and identify obesity-related complications. The components of comprehensive treatment is reviewed, as well as how to make appropriate referrals, whether in a primary or specialty care setting. Strategies for early intervention is also provided and reinforced with case studies.

Emergency Medicine Update: A Case-Based Review of Recent Impactful Literature

This case-based session reviews the current emergency medicine literature. The presenter has filtered the vast quantity of recent emergency medicine literature to present the most relevant articles for practice. Some presented content is also highly applicable to outpatient acute care. Topics includes chest pain disposition, anticipatory guidance on concussions, bag-mask ventilation during intubation, a clinical prediction rule for febrile infants, point-of-care ultrasound, and management of pediatric vomiting and diarrhea.

Substance Use Disorder Simplified

This session is a primer on substance use disorder (SUD), covering the DSM 5 diagnostic criteria but also includes a review of the 'source' of addiction. The patient presentation of commonly abused substances is reviewed.

Telemedicine: Legal Considerations

PAs and other healthcare providers working in telemedicine may not be aware of some of the potential legal pitfalls regarding this type of patient care. This session addresses how you can comply with legal and regulatory requirements when providing patient care through digital platforms.

The Impact of COVID-19 on Healthcare Systems

This session offers a high-level view of how the COVID-19 pandemic evolved during 2020. It covers how it has affected every aspect of healthcare including hospitals, nursing homes, emergency medical services, ambulatory care practices, dialysis units and cancer centers. Finally, this session reflects how COVID-19 will shape the future of care delivery.