

2004 PET Learning Center Dates Set; Symposia Series to Debut

Dates and locations have been announced for the 2004 SNM PET Learning Center weekend sessions for physicians and technologists. The successful continuing education program will expand this year to offer 22 sessions at the PET Learning Center headquarters in Reston, VA, and in Knoxville, TN, and Palo Alto, CA. Also in 2004, a series of 1-day sessions on specific aspects of PET imaging and technique will be added, including cardiac PET, neurological PET, PET radiopharmaceuticals, and PET physics.

New One-Day Sessions on PET Topics

The first 1-day session on "Cardiac PET: Expanding Nuclear Cardiology" will be held on January 24 at the Sheraton Wild Horse Pass Resort and Spa (Chandler, AZ), just outside Phoenix. The course is open to nuclear medicine physicians, radiologists, cardiologists, technologists, pharmacists, and affiliated health care professionals. It will provide an in-depth look at the current state of cardiac PET and its application to the diagnosis of cardiovascular disease. The program will focus on clinically established uses of PET; for example, the diagnosis of coronary artery disease and assessment of myocardial viability. Technical aspects unique to cardiac PET will be explored along with promising approaches to the identification of early coronary atherosclerosis.

Formal didactic lectures will be supplemented by clinical case studies. Participants will gain an understanding of the basic aspects of PET methodology, diagnostic approaches that expand current applications of standard SPECT myocardial perfusion imaging, and ways that these approaches can contribute to improved patient management and outcomes. The course will carry 6.25 hours of American Medical Association continuing education credit, 6.25 hours of VOICE credit, or .62 CEUs from the American Council of Pharmaceutical Education.

The 1-day Neurological PET course will be offered in Washington, DC, on April 17. Dates for additional 1-day courses are being finalized and will be announced soon.

2004 PET LEARNING CENTER FOR PHYSICIANS

January 17-18	Reston, VA
February 21-22	Reston, VA
February 28-29	Knoxville, TN
March 6-7	Reston, VA
April 24-25	Palo Alto, CA
May 1-2	Reston, VA
May 22-23	Knoxville, TN
July 17-18	Reston, VA
July 24-25	Knoxville, TN
August 7-8	Reston, VA
August 21-22	Reston, VA
September 11-12	Reston, VA
September 18-19	Reston, VA
October 2-3	Reston, VA
November 6-7	Palo Alto, CA
November 20-21	Reston, VA
December 4-5	Knoxville, TN
December 11-12	Reston, VA

2004 PET LEARNING CENTER FOR TECHNOLOGISTS

March 19-21	Reston, VA
July 9-11	Palo Alto, CA
October 15-17	Reston, VA
November 12-14	Reston, VA

Monitor the SNM Web site (www.snm.org) regularly for updates.

Space is limited, and *all* PET Learning Center classes fill quickly. Prospective attendees may register by mail, fax, on-line, or over the phone by contacting Shawneece Hennighan (shennighan@snm.org), Meeting Services Department, Society of Nuclear Medicine, 1850 Samuel Morse Drive, Reston, VA, 20190; 703-708-9000 x1229; fax: 703-709-9274. ❀