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IACME Annual Alliance Event 2010 Mark Your Calendars

Thursday, January 28, 2010

Members in attendance at the Alliance for CME Annual Conference in New Orleans should plan to attend the IACME Reception at the Crescent City Brewhouse from 6:00-9:00pm.

Online registration and additional details are available at www.iacmeonline.org/events. Deadline to register is January 22, 2010.

IACME’s Annual Summer Educational Conference Friday, May 21, 2010

New for 2010, the Annual Conference will be held in May. The event will include educational presentations and breakout groups. Additional details will be available soon!

IACME Needs You!!!

IACME is encouraging its members to reach out to their colleagues to become part of the IACME network.

If you, or someone you know, would like to renew or join the IACME, fill out the membership form at <http://www.iacmeonline.org/membership> or email your interest to admin@iacmeonline.org.

January 2010 Issue: Editorial

As the New Year starts ticking away, I am excited to share that the IACME Communication Committee is getting ready for a fresh round of monthly electronic newsletter releases.

To help shape the direction of the publication for the upcoming year, our group solicited member feedback through both formal and informal channels.

Our recent membership survey, for instance, revealed that most of you, members, (98%), are in favor of the electronic newsletter as the best way for IACME to communicate with you. In addition, a significant portion of you, (42%), indicate that besides information on upcoming industry events, member organization profiles and job opportunities, you would like the newsletter to include CME case studies.

Recognizing your needs, we will present a series of articles and relevant case studies addressing updated accreditation criteria. The articles and the case studies will offer provider-type-specific approaches to the new criteria, and will alternate on a bi-monthly basis.

The February newsletter will feature a follow up piece on PI CME in the Correctional Setting, a collaborative CME project by DIME. The article/case study sequence will begin in March 2010.

The first article will present provider experiences in meeting updated

accreditation criteria 2 and 3, and a relevant case study would follow in April. Similarly, the sequence will continue through most of the year to cover criteria 11 & 12 (May), 7, 8, 9 & 10 (July), and 4, 5, & 6 (September). We'll close the year with an article addressing CME funding (November), and an adjunct case study (December).

There are outstanding CME success stories to be told, and our group is willing to help you share them with the rest of the colleagues. Therefore, we encourage you to submit content for both the articles and the case studies. This is not only an opportunity to learn, but also a chance to network, possibly, to collaborate, and certainly, to help grow our profession.

For details on content submission, please contact Nikki Berry, IACME Executive Secretary at ilalliance@aol.com.

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IACME Communication Committee Co-Chair

Connect with other IACME members on Linked In!

Stay connected with members of the IACME all year by joining the IACME group on Linked In (www.linkedin.com)! This group has been created so members-only can engage in discussions with each other, share ideas and solutions, find business opportunities, post jobs, etc. This group belongs to all members, so we encourage you to join and utilize this tool!

Linked In is a free online networking site mainly used for professional networking that allows members to communicate with each other by posting questions and responses, sharing news and updates, etc. The IACME group is only open to members of the Illinois Alliance for CME, and members of this group have access to view all other members of the group as well. So, we hope you feel comfortable in joining and sharing information. This doesn't have to bog down your inbox either—you can adjust your own personal Linked In settings to receive an email digest of group activity daily, weekly, or not at all. You can also share as much or little about yourself as you prefer.

All members with an email address on file with IACME will receive an invitation to join the IACME group on Linked In. This group can also be found by searching the Linked In groups for "IACME." We invite you not only to join the group, but also to post questions and ideas for the membership to also share their insights or learn from!

Call for CME Case Studies

Have you encountered a situation in your practice of CME that was a learning experience that you are willing to share? The IACME is asking members to help contribute to the shared expertise of our group by publishing cases from real life experience. Please write them up in a brief paragraph and send to Nikki Berry at ilalliance@aol.com. Please let us know if you would like to be acknowledged or remain anonymous.

Upcoming CME Related Events:

Alliance for CME's 35th Annual Conference

It is not too late to make plans for the which will be held from Wednesday-Saturday, January 27-30, 2010, at the Hilton™ New Orleans Riverside in New Orleans, LA. For more information and to register, visit: <http://www.acme-assn.org/ac/annc.html>

Announcing an ABMS Workshop on Simulation & MOC in Spring '10!

April 12 – 14, 2010*, Chicago (Downtown)

*Registration includes an Evening Poster Session on April 12, in addition to the day-long workshop on April 13, 2010. (A working session will be held on April 14, 2010, for ABMS invitees only.)

This ABMS workshop will highlight some current applications of simulation in medical education and assessment and explore their potential role in MOC (Parts II, III, and IV). Examples and research presented will reflect the spectrum of medical practice – from primary care to procedural settings. Please feel free to forward this announcement to your colleagues!

If you have questions or need additional information please send an e-mail to ABMS_MOC_Support_Program@abms.org

ACCP is hosting the Guidelines International Network Conference in August 25 - 28, 2010, in Chicago.

As host of the Guidelines International Network (G-I-N) Conference 2010, the American College of Chest Physicians (ACCP) invites you to participate as an attendee and supporter of this international effort to improve patient care through the development and implementation of clinical practice guidelines. The G-I-N Conference 2010 will bring together the various professionals involved in evidence synthesis, guideline development, implementation, quality improvement, and health policy to integrate knowledge and, ultimately, improve patient outcomes.

Support

A wide range of program support levels, as well as promotional and networking opportunities, is available. The ACCP also will work with companies and organizations to help customize support programs to meet their needs. You may elect to be a general supporter of the conference and/or a supporter of specific opportunities. If you choose to support the overall conference, you will be recognized accordingly, based on your level of support. For more information about exciting funding opportunities, please contact David Eubanks, EdD, RRT, FCCP (Hon) or Jeanne Schaschway of the American College of Chest Physicians at +1 (847) 498-8324.

Call for Abstracts

Be part of the G-I-N Conference 2010 program by submitting an abstract of your original research for presentation at the meeting. Watch for more information on specific areas of focus and abstract requirements. **Submit your abstracts online at www.gin2010.org**

Abstract Submission Deadline: February 1, 2010, at 12:00 PM (CT), 7:00 AM (GMT)

Registration

Registration for the G-I-N Conference 2010 will open in early 2010. Watch www.gin2010.org for details and early registration discounts.

