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Monday, Oct. 5 through Friday, Oct. 9, 2015 Gatlinburg Convention Center Gatlinburg, Tenn.

For registration forms and more information, including online registration, visit www.tnpa.com.

Comtinuing Medical Education Credit This program is not yet approved for CME credit Conference organizers plan to request 38 bours of AAPA Category ICME credit from the Physician Assistant Review Panel. Total number of approved credits yet to be determined.





PREMIT NO. 1446 PAID U.S. POSTAGE PAID PAID Join fellow PAs at the Gatlinburg Convention Center in Gatlinburg, Tenn. from Monday, Oct. 5 through Friday, Oct. 9 for TAPA's 39th Annual FallFest continuing medical education (CME) conference, offering quality CME training. The Gatlinburg and Pigeon Forge areas offer not only one-of-a-kind outdoor experiences in the Smoky Mountains, but are also home to fantastic shopping and entertainment for the whole family.

Attend FallFest to learn about the newest advances in medicine, including the latest treatment guidelines and therapeutic advances. TAPA is also pleased to present three specialty blocks – endocrine, women's health and dermatology – as well as many individual lectures that are specifically developed in accordance with the NCCPA Content Blueprint in order to assist PAs and PA students in preparing for the NCCPA certification/recertification exam.

TAPA plans to request CME approval for 30 Category I CME credits during the main conference agenda and an additional seven Category I CME credits through optional workshops. There is also an optional CME luncheon, for a total of 38 CME credits offered at FallFest.

# WORKSHOPS

## ADVANCED EKG REVIEW

During this two-hour workshop on Tuesday, Oct. 6, attendees will discuss the systematic assessment of an EKG rate including rate, rhythm, intervals and axis; give an accurate descriptive analysis of multiple EKGs; and give an accurate clinical impression of multiple EKGs. This workshop is limited to 25 participants. Workshop cost: \$50

## OPTIMIZING DIABETES TREATMENT IN A SEA OF OPTIONS WORKSHOP

This one-hour interactive case-based workshop serves as the counterpart to a one-hour didactic lecture on Tuesday, Oct. 6. It will focus on the topic of T2DM and the use of newer therapy classes. This workshop is limited to 25 participants. *This workshop is complimentary for attendees, but RSVPs are required.* 

## BLS CERTIFICATION AND RECERTIFICATION

This three-hour workshop on Wednesday, Oct. 7 will review the American Heart Association's new guidelines and changes for Basic Life Support (BLS) certification. Refresh skills on performing one- and two-rescuer cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) on adults, children and infants. Become proficient in automated external defibrillator and bag mask use, and review rescue breathing and the Heimlich maneuver. Workshop cost: \$60.

## **ICD-10 WORKSHOP**

During this two-hour workshop on Wednesday, Oct. 7, attendees will learn more about the new billing system in two parts. The first section focuses on basics of office coding, and the remaining time will be devoted to a self-assessment exercises for PAs to earn SA-CME. This workshop is limited to 40 attendees, so be sure to register early to guarantee your spot. Workshop fee: \$50.

## ADULT IMMUNIZATIONS WORKSHOP

This one-hour workshop serves as the counterpart to a one-hour didactic lecture on Thursday, Oct. 8. It will be based on implementation science and will review strategies for optimizing adult immunization rates and the completion of an 'action plan' handout. Participants will learn how to develop a PI-CME project utilizing these immunization strategies. This workshop is limited to 40 participants. Workshop cost: \$50

## PA STUDENT SUTURING WORKSHOP

This two-hour workshop on Monday, Oct. 5 will give PA students the practice they need to improve their suturing skills. The course will review basic suturing principles and will define and give the appropriate use of five basic suturing methods. By the end of the session, participants will show proficiency in using the simple interrupted, vertical mattress, horizontal mattress, buried and running sub-Q sutures. This workshop is only open to PA students enrolled in an accredited PA program. The workshop is limited to 40 participants. Workshop cost: \$25.

## PA STUDENT EKG WORKSHOP

This two-hour workshop on Monday, Oct. 5 will focus on the basics of assessment and analysis of EKGs as an introduction or review for PA students. This workshop is only open to PA students enrolled in an accredited PA program. The workshop is limited to 40 participants. Workshop cost: \$25.

Workshops are intended to refresh or enhance the skills of practicing PAs. Due to the advanced skill set required for these sessions, workshops are not open to PA students unless otherwise noted.

# **CME** TOPICS

FallFest lectures will cover the following therapeutic topics. Please refer to the final schedule for more detailed information and speakers.

\*Addison's and Cushings Adult Immunizations Approach to the dizzy patient \*Autism/Aspergers Cardiac tamponade Choosing the best birth control option Clearance of sports injury and concussions \*Congestive Heart Failure Ebola/Infectious disease/Emerging Epidemics \*Endometriosis Geriatric Hip Injuries \*Hitchhiker's guide to rashes \*Mixed Dementia New vaccines and the vaccine debate \*Optimizing Diabetes Treatment in a Sea of Options Pediatric Fever \*Pediatric rash review Pediatric Trauma Pericarditis: Unusual cardiac presentations \*Pituitary/Thyroid \*Prescribing Practices Religions and medicine \*Seizures \*Stroke Terrorism in the healthcare setting TN and Southeast Flu Epidemic Vertigo

\*These lectures are being developed in accordance with the NCCPA Content Blueprint and are designed to assist PAs and PA student in preparing for the NCCPA certification/recertification exam

## STUDENT TRACK

TAPA is pleased to present our first full day student track at FallFest on Monday, Oct. 5. These sessions are specifically designed to prepare students for graduating and entering the PA workforce.

In addition to the two workshops and a clinical session, topics are to include: Kick It Up: Studying for the Boards Crisis Intervention: The Ten Minute Session Planning Your Future: Milestones of a PA Career Compassion Fatigue: Caring for Yourself as a PA

## EXHIBIT HALL

Be sure to take time during the conference to stop by the Exhibit Hall, which will be open Monday afternoon at 4 p.m., as well as all day Tuesday and Wednesday morning. Visit with representatives as they share the latest innovations in healthcare to improve patient care and enhance the delivery of healthcare services. A continental breakfast will be held in the Exhibit Hall Tuesday and Wednesday, as well as breaks.

## **DRESS FOR CME SESSIONS**

Dress for the CME sessions is business casual. Attendees are advised to bring a jacket or sweater as temperatures fluctuate in the lecture hall.

## SPECIAL EVENTS

## **KEYNOTE ADDRESS**

TAPA is pleased to welcome Dr. Dawn Morton-Rias, PA-C as the keynote speaker at FallFest. Dr. Morton-Rias has been the president/CEO of the National Commission on Certification of Physician Assistants (NCCPA) since June 2, 2014. She is the first PA to serve as the CEO of the NCCPA in its 38-year history.

Dr. Morton-Rias has been a certified PA for 30 years, practicing as a primary care PA for more than 15 years. She has also practiced in hospital-based and ambulatory gynecology, and in-patient medical management of patients with addictive disorders. She spent many years in academia, most recently serving as the dean of the College of Health Related Professions and professor at SUNY Downstate Medical Center prior to her appointment at the NCCPA. She was also the president of the Physician Assistant Education Association (2005-2006) and served as a commissioner on the Accreditation Review Commission on Education for the Physician Assistant (ARC-PA).

## WELCOME RECEPTION

The Exhibit Hall will open with a Welcome Reception on Monday, Oct. 5 from 4-5:30 p.m.Attendees can enjoy light hors d'oeuvres, complimentary cocktails and listen to a live band while they visit with Trade Show exhibitors and fellow PAs. Catch up with old friends and meet new ones at this informal networking event. There is no cost for this reception for conference attendees, but individuals are asked to RSVP on the conference registration form. Guest passes can also be purchased using the registration form.

## POSTER PRESENTATIONS

TAPA is pleased to showcase another year of poster presentations at FallFest. This will give PAs and PA students the opportunity to present their research. Posters will be on display from Monday, Oct. 5 through Wednesday, Oct. 7. Authors will present their posters from 3:30-5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 7

Please visit the FallFest page at www.tnpa.com for submission guidelines.

### **CME LUNCHEON**

Join us on Monday, Oct. 5 for a one-hour luncheon on Achieving Equilibrium in Diabetes with GLP-1 Receptor Agonists: Avoiding Hypoglycemia When Treating Postprandial Hyperglycemia presented by Creative Educational Concepts, Inc. *There is no cost for this luncheon for conference attendees, but individuals are asked to RSVP on the conference registration form. Attendees will receive one-hour of CME credit.* 

### TAPA AWARDS LUNCHEON AND MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Each year, TAPA recognizes the best and the brightest in the PA profession at the annual TAPA Awards Luncheon. At this year's luncheon, TAPA will recognize PA of the Year, Preceptor of the Year, PA Student of the Year and PA/Physician Team of the Year. Additionally, Hall of Fame inductees are recognized at this luncheon.

PAs will also receive reports from the TAPA Board of Directors and Committee Chairs and learn how to become more involved in the Academy. You won't want to miss this inspirational luncheon scheduled for Tuesday, Oct. 6. This luncheon is a ticketed event. *There is no cost to attend, but registration is required.* 

### FAMILY NIGHT EVENT

Join us Tuesday, Oct. 6 for the Dixie Stampede family night event. Visitors and locals agree that Dolly Parton's Dixie Stampede Dinner and Show is a fun-filled, action-packed extravaganza that everyone should experience. Filled with friendly North and South competition, thrilling horse riding stunts, spectacular special effects, phenomenal musical productions plus a mouth-watering four-course feast complete with a delicious dessert! Meet the bus in front of the Gatlinburg Convention Center at 5:15 p.m. *Dixie Stampede cost: \$58 per adult, \$42 per child.* 

### PRODUCT THEATER LUNCHEON

Join us on Wednesday, Oct. 7 for a Product Theater Luncheon on *Non-obstructive and coronary microvascular Angina* presented by Gilead Sciences, Inc. *This luncheon is a ticketed event. There is no cost to attend, but registration is required.* 

### LEGISLATIVE LUNCHEON

New laws and regulatory decisions can greatly impact the ability of PAs to care for their patients. With a stroke of the pen, the PA Practice Act can be dramatically changed - and not always for the better! Attend the Legislative Luncheon to receive informative updates on TAPA's legislative efforts and find out how to become more involved in TAPA's grassroots lobbying activities. This year, we are particularly pleased to welcome Rep. Matthew Hill as the keynote speaker. Rep. Hill is a member of the House Health Committee. You won't want to miss what he has to say about what is happening on Capitol Hill. *This luncheon is a ticketed event. The cost to attend is \$20 for conference participants and \$30 for guests.* 

TAPA is pleased to offer complimentary luncheons. Attendees are asked to be conscientious of adding unnecessary costs to the conference by only requesting tickets if they will be attending the luncheon. Seats left unfilled by no shows unnecessarily drive up the overall costs of CME conferences.

### ABOUT GATLINBURG

Located at the entrance of the Great Smoky Mountains National Park, the most-visited national park in the United States, Gatlinburg welcomes visitors from around the world and has much to offer. Numerous restaurants, activities and museums compliment the hiking trails and wildlife viewing offered within the national park. The Gatlinburg trolley takes visitors throughout the city and even offers a route to the Arts and Crafts Community for those interested in local artistry. In the Gatlinburg Convention Center, just downstairs from FallFest, attendees can visit the Gatlinburg Craftsmen's Fair, with more than 200 booths featuring artisans and crafts people offering some of the nation's finest work. To learn more about Gatlinburg, visit www.gatlinburg.com.

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Hotels	Location	Phone	Rate	Dates of Block
Gatlinburg Town Square Condominiums	515 Historic Nature Trail	(888) 548-2563 Code:TAPA	\$105 1-bedroom; \$90 Studio \$115 2-bedroom \$120 2-bedroom, Phase II	Oct. 4-10 Cutoff:Aug. 23
Clarion Inn & Suites	1100 Parkway	(865) 436-5656 Code:TAPA	\$112 double queen \$162 king and king suite	Oct. 4-8 Cutoff: Sept. 21
Holiday Inn Club Vacations	404 Historic Nature Trail	(866) 327-3014 www.holidayinn.com/ gatlinburgtn Code:TPA	\$169 1-bedroom \$215 2-bedroom	Oct. 5-9 Cutoff:Aug. 5
The Park Vista- DoubleTree	705 Cherokee Orchard Road	(800) 421-7275 Code:TAPA	\$128 king/double	Oct. 5-11 Cutoff: Sept. 11

**Refunds and Cancellations:** Cancellation/refund requests must be submitted in writing. Requests postmarked, fax-dated or sent by email by the following dates will receive the corresponding refund: Before Aug. 31: 100 percent; between Sept. 1-18: 50 percent; beginning Sept. 19 no refunds will be given.

**Note:** There is a minimum number of participants required to register in order for workshops and special events to take place. In the event of a workshop or special event cancellation due to low participation, registrants will receive a full refund. All workshop participants will receive certificates of completion at the conclusion of the session.