

****** CALL FOR ABSTRACTS ******
HAWAII CHAPTER AMERICAN COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS
Representing All Physicians in Internal Medicine and its Subspecialties

Annual Scientific Regional Meeting
Saturday, January 9, 2010
Ko‘olau Country Club

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF ABSTRACTS IS NOVEMBER 13, 2009 !!

All medical students, internal medicine residents and fellows, and internal medicine physicians and internal medicine subspecialists are invited to submit abstracts of their scientific work. The abstract must be related to the field of internal medicine or a subspecialty of internal medicine, medical education, or medical management.

Ten podium presentations and **thirty poster presentations** will be accepted. Abstracts will be sorted into two categories:

Clinical Vignettes: These are a description of cases with unusual diagnoses or approaches to therapy. The number of cases discussed in a clinical vignette is typically 1-2. If there are more than 9 patients included, the abstract will fall within the research category as a retrospective case series.

Research: This includes all other studies. Abstracts not associated with a research protocol approved by an institutional review board will be penalized in the competition scoring.

Abstracts will be screened for inclusion by a selection committee and the top abstracts will be invited to present as an oral or poster presentation.

Applications are welcome from applicants outside of Hawaii but successful applicants must obtain their own travel funds to attend the meeting. Non-Hawaii applicants are not eligible for awards.

Awards are given for the best medical student and resident or fellow oral and poster presentations. In past years, the ACP governor has sent the top ACP associate research abstract to the national ACP meeting. If the presenter of the top ranked resident abstract is an ACP associate, s/he may be funded to attend the national ACP meeting (“*Internal Medicine 2010*”) in Toronto, Canada April 22-24, 2010.

Note: Presenting at a regional meeting such as this does not disqualify the authors from presenting the same work at a national meeting or at a different regional meeting. Trainees are especially encouraged to gain experience by presenting at the chapter meeting. Faculty are encouraged to support their trainees by helping in the preparation of presentations, arranging for time off to attend the program, and supporting travel, if needed. Associates may simultaneously submit their Clinical Vignettes or Research Papers to the ACP Meeting in Toronto in April 2010 (see <http://www.acponline.org/PortalServices/AbstractsPortal/DesktopDefault.aspx>)

You must submit a registration form in order to attend the Hawaii Chapter meeting. A registration form will be sent to authors of all accepted abstracts. Abstracts are **not to exceed 450 words**, font size not less than 10 pt., and should be sent by e-mail attachment as a document to allow them to be “blinded” for the selection committee.

Abstracts accepted for presentation at this meeting will be published in the Hawaii Medical Journal unless declined on the application form.

SPECIAL EVENT along with WINE TASTING AND RECEPTION

Join your colleagues for an action-packed contest of medical knowledge! An ACP Medical Resident ‘jeopardy-style’ competition will be held at the **Koolau Country Club** between **4:30 PM and 7:00 PM** on **Saturday, January 9, 2010**, following the Annual Meeting. Guests are welcome to attend. Registration for the annual meeting is not required to attend this event.

SUBMIT Abstracts by e-mail to acphawaii@hawaii.rr.com

SAMPLE ABSTRACT (BODY LIMITED TO 450 WORDS)

Title: **Distribution of Infective Endocarditis in Patients Undergoing Chronic Hemodialysis**
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Background: Chronic renal failure and hemodialysis itself are independent risk factors for infective endocarditis, which is considered to be the most serious complication of bacteremia, a common finding in patients on chronic hemodialysis. Bacteremia in the setting of hemodialysis is considered to result from migration of bacteria from the skin or contamination of the catheter lumen. This represents an almost similar mechanism of infection as in intravenous drug users, which present with right-sided endocarditis. However, the few data available addressing infective endocarditis in dialysis patients' reports mostly valves involving of the left heart. Our aim was to highlight the distribution of infective endocarditis in end stage renal disease patients.

Methods: Retrospective chart review of patients with infective endocarditis who are on hemodialysis for end stage renal disease admitted to three major hospitals on Oahu.

Results: We have identified thirty episodes of Infective Endocarditis affecting native heart valves in patients undergoing chronic hemodialysis. 70% of the cases involved valves on the left side of the heart and only 30% the right side, respectively.

Conclusion: Although the route of infection is considered to be identical in patients undergoing chronic hemodialysis and in patients presenting with endocarditis who are using intravenous drugs, the distribution of the valves affected in infective endocarditis is different. This might be explained by a greater amount of bacteria inoculated with the puncturing of the vein.

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