31ST ANNUAL CONTROVERSIES, PROBLEMS & TECHNIQUES IN SURGERY











Learning Objectives

- Better manage abdominal wall hernias.
- Identify bioprosthetics and their appropriate use for hernias.
- Understand the risk of Manpower shortages in surgical specialties.
- Understand how quality performance metrics and malpractice rates.
- Describe options for the timing of operation in acute appendicitis.
- Identify MIS approaches to empyema.
- Describe how technology aids reconstruction in congenital chest wall defects.
- List the principles in managing pancreatic cysts, adrenal and thyroid nodules.

AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™

Continuing medical education credits will be provided for this activity

About the Event

For 30 years, Controversies, Problems & Techniques in Surgery has provided its audience a medium where they can hear expert opinions on what constitutes best practices in surgical techniques and patient care. We are pleased that year-to-year, attendees inform us they have taken away information from the meeting, which has helped them to implement changes in their practices and positively affect patient outcomes.

Hotel Accomodations

Waldorf=Astoria New York

A block of superior rooms has been reserved at the Waldorf=Astoria New York for \$409 per night single/double occupancy, plus taxes and fees. **Please be sure to make hotel reservations prior to**

November 25th to receive the group rate.

This is a very busy time in New York City. Please call the hotel at 1-877-GROUP-WA to check availability.

Online reservations may be made at www.surgerysymposium.org

Meeting Location

WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 17

Postgraduate Course: Management of Gastroesophageal Reflux Disease

Montefiore Institute for Minimally Invasive Surgery Montefiore Medical Center 2nd Floor, Holfheimer Pavilion 111 East 210th Street Bronx, New York 10467

*Transportation will be available to and from the Postgraduate Course and the Waldorf Astoria.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 18 AND FRIDAY DECEMBER 19

31st Annual Controversies, Problems and Techniques in Surgery

Waldorf=Astoria New York 301 Park Avenue New York, NY 10022

Meeting Registration

Register online at www.surgerysymposium.org or use the registration form included.

Airport & Transportation Information

The two recommended airports for flying into New York City for the meeting are **John F. Kennedy International Airport (JFK)** and **La Guardia Airport (LGA).**

JFK is approximately one hour away from the Waldorf=Astoria Hotel (traffic pending). Taxis are available at all airport terminals and can be hailed outside of baggage claim. A taxi ride to the Waldorf=Astoria Hotel will cost approximately \$62 (plus bridge tolls and tip).

LGA is approximately 45 minutes away from the Waldorf=Astoria Hotel (traffic pending). Taxis are readily available at all airport terminals and can be hailed outside of baggage claim. A taxi ride to the Waldorf=Astoria Hotel will cost approximately \$32 (plus bridge tolls and tip).

The Waldorf=Astoria Hotel does offer limousine service. Please use the contact information below for any inquiries or reservations.

Capricorn Limousine Service

Telephone: (212) 872-4585

Parking

There is parking available at the Waldorf=Astoria Hotel. Parking costs \$50 per day with no in or out privileges.



Weather

Experience all the magical sensations of being in New York City during the holiday season! Although average December temperatures range from 35°F-45°F, the hustle and bustle of the city and festive cheer will warm your spirit. Make sure to pack closed toe walking shoes and dress in layers to ensure your optimal comfort. The meeting attire is business professional.



Activities

Welcome to the city that never sleeps! This cosmopolitan mecca has something for everybody. Below are a few highlights of all the excitement you can experience while in New York City for the symposium. For assistance, please call the Waldorf concierge, 212-872-4790.

Radio City Christmas Spectacular

Don't miss the 2013 Radio City Christmas Spectacular, CHRISTMAS SHINES! There is no better place to be this holiday than at the Radio City Christmas Spectacular[®]! It is a one-of-a-kind celebration for family, friends, and loved ones. The radiant Radio City Music Hall is decked out for the season and the Rockettes shine like never before in a breathtaking new number that transforms the stage into a glistening winter wonderland! Share in the joy with Santa, the Nutcracker, and the unforgettable Living Nativity. No one does it better than the Radio City Christmas Spectacular!

http://www.radiocitychristmas.com/newyork.html#the-show

Holiday Shopping and Ice Skating at Rockefeller Center

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http://www.patinagroup.com/restaurant.php?restaurants_id=74

New York City Broadway

The infamous New York City Broadway shows have become a staple in many New York City itineraries. Experience the thrill and joy of seeing some of the most elite theatre performances in the world. It is highly advised to make reservations as far in advance as possible. For a listing of Broadway shows in December, please visit the following website. For the Waldorf Theater Desk, please call 212-872-4597 http://www.newyorktheatreguide.com/whatson/musicals.htm

For more information and ideas, please call the concierge at the Waldorf=Astoria Hotel, 212-355-3000.

Agenda

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2014

Montefiore Institute for Minimally Invasive Surgery Bronx, NY

Register for either the AM or PM Lab Course

*Transportation will be provided between the lab course and the Waldorf=Astoria Hotel

Postgraduate Course: Management Of Gastroesophageal Reflux Disease

Course Director: Diego Camacho, MD

Montefiore Institute for Minimally Invasive Surgery

Montefiore Medical Center

2nd floor, Hofheimer Pavilion

111 East 210th Street

Bronx, New York 10467

718-920-5182

8:00-8:30 a.m.	$\label{lem:modern} \textbf{Modern Management of Gastroesophageal Reflux and the Difficult Esophagus} \\ \textbf{Alonso Alvarado, MD}$
8:30-9:00 a.m.	State of the Art of Diagnosis and Best Medical Therapy Aaron Tokayer, MD

9:00-9:30 a.m. Endoluminal Treatment of GERD

Natan Zundel, MD

Registration/Introduction

9:30-9:45 a.m. **Break**

7:30-8:00 a.m.

9:45-10:15 a.m. Surgical Management of GERD

Jenny Choi, MD

10:15-10:45 a.m. Paraesophageal Hernia

Flavio Malcher, MD

10:45-11:15 a.m. **GERD** in the Obese Patient

Diego Camacho, MD

11:15-11:45 a.m. **Lunch**

12Noon-3:00 p.m. **Wet Lab**

15 Person Maximum

GOAL: At the end of this activity, participants:

- Understand various technologies for incisionless approach to GERD.
- Become familiar with basic techniques to apply endoluminal technology.
- Recognize the common clinical scenarios that can be treated with antireflux therapy.

Agenda continued

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2014

Waldorf Astoria New York 301 Park Avenue

New York, New York 10022

7:00-7:30 a.m. Continental Breakfast

7:30-7:45 a.m. Welcome and Orientation

Robert E. Michler, MD

7:45-9:45 a.m. Scientific Session I:

The Difficult Abdominal Wall

1) Open Abdominal Wall Management

Flavio Malcher, MD

2) Review of Synthetic Materials

Mike Rosen, M.D

3) Revisional Surgery

Natan Zundel, MD

4) Component Separation

Mike Rosen, MD

Panel Discussion

9:45-10:00 a.m. Coffee Break & Exhibits

10:00 a.m.-12Noon Scientific Session II:

Economics of the Practice

1) System Quality Control and Malpractice Costs

Peter Shamamian, MD, Montefiore Medical Center

 $2) \ \textbf{Paying to Make a Doctor: the Future of} \\$

Graduate Medical Education

Andrew Racine, MD, Montefiore Medical Center

3) Lessons Learned as a "Seller",

Now a "Buyer" Under Obamacare

Jefferey Menkes, MD, Montefiore Medical Center

Panel Discussion

12Noon-1:00 p.m. Lunch on Own

1:00-3:00 p.m.

3:00-3:15 p.m.

3:15-5:15 p.m.

Scientific Session III:

Controversies in Acute Care Surgery:

Timing of Surgery in Appendicitis

1) Urgent Operation

Sofia Naz, MD

2) Antibiotics

Vance Smith, MD

3) Interval Appendectomy IS Indicated

Norman Sas, MD

4) Interval Appendectomy is NOT Indicated

Dominique Jan, MD

Panel Discussion

Coffee Break & Exhibits

Scientific Session IV:

Acute Care Surgery: Colectomy for Diverticulitis

1) Colectomy for Diverticulitis

Arnold Berlin, MD

2) The Acute Care Team approach for

Acute Cholecystitis

Prashanth Sreeramoju, MD

3) Acute Care Surgery Model in the

World of Specialty Surgery

Adrian Park, MD

Panel Discussion

Agenda continued

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2014

7:00-7:45 a.m. Continental Breakfast

7:45-8:00 a.m. Welcome and Orientation

Robert E. Michler, MD

8:00-10:00 a.m. Scientific Session V:

Thoracic Surgery for Surgeons

1) Management of Lung Nodule

Steven Keller, MD

2) Modern Treatment of Aortic Aneurysm

Evan Lipsitz, MD

3) Modern Approaches to Empyema

Amit Bhargava, MD

4) Congenital Defect of the Thoracic Wall

Samuel Weinstein, MD and Evan Garfein, MD

Panel Discussion

10:00-10:30 a.m. **Coffee Break & Exhibits**

10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Incidentalomas: Work up and Management

1) Adrenal Lesions

Amanda Laird, MD

2) Pancreatic Cysts

Peter Muscarella, MD

3) Soft Tissue Masses

Katia Papalezova, MD

4) Thyroid Nodules

Steven Libutti, MD

Panel Discussion

12:30-1:30 p.m. **Lunch on Own**

1:30-2:15 p.m. Managing Population Health in the 21st Century

Moderator - Steve Safyer, MD

President and CEO, Montefiore Medical Center

2:15-3:00 p.m. **Key Note Oration:**

What is General Surgery in the Era of Subspecialty and Acute Care Surgery?

Frank Lewis, MD

Executive Director, American Board of Surgery

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