Statement of Need

There are many recent technological advances in imaging techniques which can be applied in current clinical practice. Maintenance of certification requires continued review of essential imaging techniques in all areas of radiology, including body, thoracic, and pediatric applications.

Target Audience

Clinical radiologists in academic or private practice.

Description

This four-day course is intended to provide an overview of current state of the art imaging techniques that can be applied to a variety of practical clinical situations. The course will focus on MDCT, PET-CT, MRI and US. Topics covered will include: lung disease and cancer, chest pain (including ischemic heart disease and acute pulmonary thrombopulmonary embolism), abdominal disease (renal, pancreatic, biliary tract, gynecological and hepatic, small bowel and colon), and pediatric imaging.

A faculty of experts has been assembled for this meeting and the course has been designed to promote audience participation with them.

Educational Objectives

1. Based on new advances in imaging techniques, you will assess the relative contributions of MR, MDCT and PET-CT in evaluating abdominal disease with particular emphasis on renal, pancreatic, biliary tract, gynecological and hepatic disease.
2. You will improve your ability to effectively evaluate focal lung disease/lung cancer by learning the latest imaging techniques in PET-CT and MDCT.
3. Given patients presenting with acute and/or atypical chest pain, including ischemic heart disease and acute pulmonary thrombopulmonary embolism, you will improve patient care in the evaluation of these diseases.
4. As a result of new technological advances, you will assess the benefits of using CT and ultrasonography in evaluating the acutely ill child.
5. You will compare and contrast current applications of CT for evaluating small bowel and colonic disease with particular emphasis on indications and limitations of colon cancer screening with virtual colonoscopy.

Accreditation Statement

The NYU Post-Graduate Medical School is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

Credit Designation Statement

The NYU Post-Graduate Medical School designates this educational activity for a maximum of 19 category 1 credits toward the AMA Physician’s Recognition Award. Each physician should claim only those credits that he/she spent in the activity.

Disclosure Statement

The NYU Post-Graduate Medical School adheres to ACCME Essential Areas and policies, including the Standards for Commercial Support regarding industry support of continuing medical education. In order to resolve any identified Conflicts of Interest, disclosure information is provided during the planning process to ensure resolution of any identified conflicts. Disclosure of faculty and commercial relationships as well as the discussion of off-label or investigational use of any drug, device or procedure by the faculty is listed at the symposium.

Registration Information

The tuition for this four-day course is $875; $595 for residents/fellows/retirees, NYU alumni, V.A. employees, Canadians and physicians who do not permanently reside in the U.S. On-line registration is the fastest and easiest way to enroll. Fees include course materials, breakfast and breaks for registrants, a welcome reception for the entire family, and course materials. Please be sure to provide your email address for a confirmation/receipt when registering.

Cancellations

If you need to cancel your enrollment, you will need to provide written notification and if this is made 30 or more days in advance, a $75 service charge will apply. For last-minute cancellations less than 30 days in advance, a $150 service charge will apply.

Special Needs

The Post-Graduate Medical School of the New York University School of Medicine, in compliance with the legal requirements of the Americans with Disabilities...
Act, requests any participant of this CME course who is in need of accommodation to submit written requests to our office at least one month prior to the course date.

Dietary Restrictions
Please indicate any dietary restrictions on the registration form or when you register on-line.

Special Topics/Questions
If there is a specific topic or question that would help fulfill your educational needs, please submit it on the registration form or on-line form.

Costa Rica
Costa Rica has more ecological preservation, sightseeing and recreational activities per square mile than any other country in the world. A quarter of the country is dedicated to national parks and wildlife preserves, while tropical rain forests, active volcanoes, miles of unspoiled beaches, and climatic zones provide visitors with an incredible travel experience. Temperature is an average 80º year round.

Four Seasons Resort Costa Rica at Peninsula Papagayo
Spilling down a lush mountainside to an isthmus of golden sand, Four Seasons introduces exemplary luxury and service to this pristine setting. Amenities include: two large beaches, three swimming pools, a tropically serene luxurious spa, Arnold Palmer-designed championship golf course, the magic of the tropical forest and dynamic eco adventures on land and at sea.

Garden rooms are located on the ground floor and offer views of the natural tropical gardens or forest. Deluxe rooms offer partial ocean view or bay views as well as vistas of the tropical gardens from the second floor. Premium rooms overlook the tropical forest and bay or ocean from treetop height. All rooms include: high speed internet access, down pillows, duvets, CD and DVD players, hair dryer, in-room safe, iron and board, terry robes, and twice-daily housekeeping service.

The following special room rates have been confirmed for NYU attendees and guests and are available only through Travel Planners, Inc.:

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Above rates are effective for arrival on Saturday, January 7, through departure on Saturday, January 14, 2006. Extended stays are subject to availability. Rates are single or double occupancy, plus sales tax (currently 13%), 3% tourism tax and 10% resort fee*. Children under 18 stay free with parents/guardians using existing bedding. Additional $75 per night plus taxes and fees will be charged for third adult sharing a room. Maximum of 2 adults/2 children or 3 adults per room. A deposit of 2 nights is required to confirm reservations. If providing a credit card, the hotel will charge the deposit approximately 30 days prior to arrival.

*Resort fee includes gratuities to bellmen, housekeeping, pool and beach attendants.

Airport/Hotel Transfers (Liberia Airport)
The International Airport at Liberia is located approximately 45 minutes drive from the Four Seasons Resort. Optional arrival transfers may be purchased at $60 per person. Transfers include porter tips at the airport and English speaking guide.

Note: San Jose airport is approximately a 5 hour drive from the Four Seasons Resort.

Rental Cars
Reservations may be made in conjunction with your airline reservations.
Monday, January 9, 2006

Corobici River Float
1:30–7:00pm
$95.00 per person

Enjoy a box lunch while on the scenic drive to the Corobici River, located approximately 1½–2 hours from the resort. Spend two hours floating safely on river rafts, while viewing exotic birds and wildlife. The tropical flora along the river is the perfect background for this unforgettable and unique float. Includes: round trip transportation, and box lunch.

Minimum 4 persons.

Snorkel Sail
2:30–6:00pm • $89.00 per person

Explore the shores on a luxury Catamaran. Board the boat right from the Four Season’s beach and embark on an adventure around the Gulf of Papagayo. This may be an opportunity to see ocean wildlife in the fresh air! Included: wine, beer, sodas, snacks, and snorkel equipment. Minimum 30 persons.

Tuesday, January 10, 2006

Cooking Class
10:00am–12:00pm • $135.00 per person

Join one of the Four Seasons chefs in their kitchen for a cooking demonstration featuring a “Latin” menu. Lunch to follow, sampling the fare you’ve just learned to make! Includes: Chefs fee, lunch with coffee and tea, taxes, and gratuities.

Minimum 6 persons.

Golf Tournament
1:00–6:00pm • $135.00 per person

Set on the Papagayo Peninsula with cool, prevailing breezes, Four Seasons Golf Club Costa Rica boasts sweeping views of the Pacific Ocean on 14 of its 18 holes. This Arnold Palmer signature golf course has wide, undulating fairways with large and contoured greens, providing a fair and challenging test of your golf finesse. Includes: shotgun start, green fees, cart fees, range fees, club and shoe rental, yardage books, scorecards, divot tools, ballmarkers, pencils, tees, complimentary water, bag tags and service fees.

Minimum 4 persons.

Palo Verde National Park Tour
8:00am–4:00pm • $89.00 per person

Palo Verde National Park is a wildlife sanctuary located approximately 2 hours from the resort. Scientists from all over the world come to study this rich ecosystem that combines rivers, marshland, mangroves and dry forest. Cruise on the Tempisque River, the most important river in Guanacaste. Admire the natural beauty of the park while viewing crocodiles, monkeys, iguanas and various birds. Includes: round trip transportation, and lunch.

Minimum 10 persons.

Rincon de la Vieja National Park Tour
8:00am–3:30pm • $113.00 per person

In this nature hike, find the bubbling mud, steamy sulfur water ponds and fumaroles of the volcano area while exploring 2 miles of jungle trails. Along the way, your guide will describe all the secrets of the forest while pointing out local wildlife such as monkeys, toucans, and birds among many other species. Includes: round trip transportation, lunch and entrance fees.

Minimum 10 persons.

Costa Rica Adventure Tour
8:00am–6:30pm • $140.00 per person

A full day of magic awaits you in the surrounding areas of Rincon de la Vieja Volcano with time to relax in the Hot Springs! Apply a mud mask rich in minerals that will make you feel reborn. Visit one of the most beautiful waterfalls in Guanacaste. Enjoy a 1 hour guided horseback ride through the forest. After a typical Costa Rican lunch, experience the forest in the very unique way offered by the Canopy Tour. Includes: round trip transportation, English speaking guide, lunch, Canopy Tour, Horseback ride, Hot Springs, Turkish Bath, Water Slide and Waterfall.

Minimum 10 persons.

Dinner at Congos
6:00–10:00pm • $55.00 per person

Situated between the pool and the beaches, Congos pool bar and grill offers an nightly buffet. Enjoy a buffet of traditional Argentinean and Brazilian specialties while a local trio entertains. Reservations have been blocked in advance for the NYU
group for Wednesday night only. Dinner costs may be charged back to your room or paid for at the time of service. Please indicate on the reservation form if you wish to reserve your spot. Reservations are limited and must be made in advance. Rate is subject to change.

Thursday, January 12, 2006

Canopy Tour at Hacienda El Aromal

1:00–6:00pm • $69.00 per person

Located approximately 40 minutes from the resort, this is an unforgettable experience! Appreciate the conservation area, observing a great variety of flora, fauna and many animals in their natural environment as you zip among the tree tops! From the Canopy platforms, enjoy the fantastic views of some of the volcanoes of the area: Rincón de la Vieja Volcano and Tenorio Volcano. This Canopy Tour is one of the most highly recommended and longest canopy tours in the country, 2.5 km of distance. Includes: round trip transportation, and entrance fees.

Minimum 10 persons.

Discounted Airline Transportation

Low, promotional fares to Liberia, Costa Rica, are limited and early bookings are recommended. An air itinerary, fare (including $35 per ticket service fee) and booking policies will be provided for approval prior to ticketing. Benefits include: $200,000 free flight insurance and frequent flyer enrollment. Call 800-810-2695, 8:30am to 5:30pm Central Time, Monday through Friday and ask for the NYU air agent.

NOTE: A Costa Rica departure tax of $26 U.S. per person will be collected upon check-in for your return flight. Tax is payable in cash or by Visa only.

Documentation

All US Citizens, including children, must have a valid passport. Citizens of other countries should check with their nearest consulate for entry requirements.

General Information

Deadline for Reservations and Payment:

Costa Rica – November 14, 2005

Changes to Confirmed Arrangements: $35

Cancellation:

Hotel: $50 at any time; on or after November 14, 2005: $50 plus full stay unless room is resold. Documented Medical Emergencies will be considered.

Optional Tours: Costa Rica – After December 1, 2005: No Refund

Snorkel Sail

2:30–6:00pm • $89.00 per person

See Tuesday’s activities for tour description. Minimum 30 persons.

The hotel offers a nature hike each week at no cost, on a first come/first serve basis. It is recommended you call the Activities Desk upon arrival to make your reservations.

Deep Sea Fishing and Scuba Diving can be arranged. Please indicate on the reservation form if you want further information.

Gratuities and incidentals are not included on any of the optional activities unless indicated. A small amount of money should be brought along for these purposes. Sunscreen, hat, insect repellent, and camera should be brought on all tours. Appropriate shoes should be worn (walking/hiking where hike is involved; rubber-soled on boats). Swim suits along with change of clothes, towel and plastic bag for wet clothes. Long pants should be worn on the Canopy Tour. All items brought on the Canopy Tour should be able to be secured in a pocket. Any items dropped while zipping among the tree tops will be left in the forest!

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