Pulmonary hypertension: state of the art

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Purpose
Heart failure is the progressive stage of most cardiac diseases. As the only circulatory condition arising in incidence, prevalence and mortality, the treatment for heart failure has changed dramatically and become more complex in the past 10 years. In this symposium, we will present up-to-date knowledge to help clinicians and allied health providers identify, evaluate and treat heart failure and related conditions.

Audience
This symposium will be of value to Cardiovascular Surgeons, Cardiologists, Internal Medicine, Hospital Medicine, Family Practice, mid-level providers, allied health professionals and subspecialty trainees. It will also be of interest to non-clinicians who wish to improve their understanding of heart failure.

Objectives
All the audience participants should be better able to:
• Encourage application of primary and secondary preventive measures to reduce the incidence, prevalence and the economic burden of heart failure.
• Know the most current evidence-based diagnostic & therapeutic strategies in heart failure & pulmonary hypertension.
• Highlight innovation in the field of advanced heart failure.
• Understand prognosis and outcomes of various treatment strategies employed in managing heart failure.

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SESSION 3: Advanced Heart Failure
Moderator: Naif Sulaimanpoo, MD
1:15 p.m. Advance Heart Failure Therapies: When to Refer & Why?
Vinay Thohan, MD
1:40 p.m. Percutaneous Mechanistic Assist Devices: Indications & Outcomes?
Tariff Bajpai, MD
2:05 p.m. Mechanical Circulatory Support and Cardiac Transplant in 2018
Frank Downey, MD
3:30 p.m. To Pursue Advanced Heart Failure Therapy or NOT! A Case Based Discussion
Ocean Noah, MD; Jin Azad Chohan, MD
2:35 p.m. Panel Discussion with Moderator and Session Speakers
3:10 p.m. Break & Exhibits
SESSION 4: Breakout Sessions (choose one)
A Practical Issues with Heart Failure
3:30 p.m. Heart Failure Management: Strategies to Improve Quality & Metrics
Eric Roberts, MD
3:55 p.m. Advanced Heart Failure: Journey from Patient Perspective Facilitator: Chad Rockens, RN; Thomas Holdings, MD
4:10 p.m. Role of Palliative Care: How to discuss prognosis with patients?
Rose Champagne, NP
4:35 p.m. Panel Discussion with Moderator and Session Speakers
B Surgical Aspects of patients with HF
Moderator Frank Downey, MD
3:30 p.m. LVAD Management: For the Primary Care Provider
Kathy Schultz
4:10 p.m. Surgical Aspects of Heart Failure: State of the Art
Dianne L. Ziwicki, MD
10:10 a.m. Panel Discussion with Moderator and Session Speakers
10:25 a.m. Break & Exhibits
SESSION 2: It’s All About Management!
Moderator: Vinay Thohan, MD
10:45 a.m. Evaluation of Newly Diagnosed Heart Failure – Guideline Based Approach
Omar Cheema, MD
11:10 a.m. Diabetes Management in Heart Failure - Why is it Important?
Nasir Sulemanjee, MD; Vinay Thohan, MD; Frank Downey, MD
11:35 a.m. Multi-Modality Imaging in Heart Failure – Illustrious Cases
Renuka Jain, MD
12:15 p.m. Lunch
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