



Society of Correctional Physicians

2013 Annual Conference

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CANCER

Prevention, Diagnosis, and Care of the Incarcerated Patient

Cancer is the second leading cause of death among detainees in prisons, causing about one quarter of all deaths. End of life care is challenging in any setting, but dying in jail or prison brings additional challenges. Correctional practitioners need to have the skills to support patients through the process in a manner that is safe, compassionate, and pain free, and allows the patient to die with dignity.

ALSO – Dealing responsibly with hunger strikes is a serious and timely issue that will also be addressed, as it poses myriad challenges to physicians, demanding immediate, professional attention.

Program Agenda

6:45 a.m. **Registration Opens**

7:30 a.m. **Gathering, Coffee, Introductions**

8:00 a.m.

Viral Induced Tumors, Prognosis and Treatment

Richard Kosierowski, MD, Medical Oncology, Corizon Health

A small number of cancers have a strong causal linkage to viruses. Dr. Kosierowski will review the latest information on the links between viruses and these cancers, how to diagnose them, and treatment options. Most importantly, he will discuss what preventive tools we have and their role in prisons and jails.

8:30 a.m.

End-of-Life Care – The Angola Prison Experience

Leslie Lofton, RN, CCN/M, Hospice Manager
Tonia Faust, RN, CCN/M, Hospice Program Coordinator

The hospice program at the Louisiana State Penitentiary at Angola is one of the oldest correctional hospice programs in the U.S., serving patients with terminal cancer. Ms. Lofton and Ms. Faust will give us a virtual tour of their facility, explaining how it operates, and describing how Angola has met the challenges of running a hospice in a correctional environment.

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

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And Now A Word From Your American Cancer Society: What's New (And Controversial) In Cancer Screenings

Durado Brooks, MD, MPH, Director, Prostate and Colorectal Cancers, American Cancer Society, Inc.

As one of the American Cancer Society's experts on cancer prevention and early detection, Dr. Brooks is eminently qualified to bring us a national perspective on the latest cancer science. As providers of sometimes the first good health care patients have ever received, correctional practitioners are in a key position to identify new cancers and promote preventive measures. Dr. Brooks will review the state-of-the-art cancer screening with emphasis on the most common cancers.

10:45 a.m. **Break**

11:00 a.m.

Hunger Strikes: What should SCP's position be?

Marc Stern, MD, John May, MD, Scott Allen, MD, Audience

Hunger strikes are a unique phenomenon for correctional practitioners. They challenge our medical, psychological, social, and political skills and are an ethical struggle. In preparation for an SCP position statement on the subject, this session will lay out the existing national and international thinking, followed by participant input on principles and issues for inclusion in the statement.

Luncheon Speaker

12:00 Noon

Ethical Aspects of Inmate Hunger Strikes

Scott Allen MD, Co-Director, The Center for Prisoner Health and Human Rights

To continue the discussion of the previous session, as a thought leader and writer about physician ethics and hunger strikes, Dr. Allen will share his experience and opinions on the role of physicians during these difficult events.



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1:30 p.m.

General Membership Meeting (Does not count for CME hours)

2:00 p.m.

Operating an In-House Oncology Unit

Paul Noel, MD, Pennsylvania State Medical Director, Wexford Health Services

Dr. Noel runs one of the few in-house oncology operations in U.S. corrections. His presentation will answer basic questions: Does it make sense, clinically and fiscally, to operate my own in-house oncology suite? If so, how should I go about it? Should I provide all services or select services? What are the challenges...and solutions?

2:45 p.m. **Break**

3:00 p.m.

Oncologic Emergencies the Primary Care Doctor Shouldn't Miss...or Mismatch

Richard Kosierowski, MD, Medical Oncology, Corizon Health

Correctional practitioners need to be able to recognize and provide initial management of oncologic emergencies. Dr. Kosierowski will help us anticipate and recognize common and serious emergencies and will review the basic skill set for practitioners in providing initial management of these emergencies in the first minutes and hours until the patient receives more definitive care.

3:45 p.m. **Break**

4:00 p.m.

Joseph Paris Memorial Lecture: Cancer, A (Very Special) Patient's Perspective

Lynn Sander, MD, FSCP, Correctional Health Care Consultant, Past SCP President

At the end of the day...literally and figuratively...it's all about our patients. We must always be guided by, and responsive to, the needs of the patient. Our dear colleague (and past president of SCP) Lynn is waging her own battle against lung cancer. What better person is there for us to learn about the patient's perspective than from Lynn?

5:00 p.m. **Panel Discussion/Audience Questions**

5:30 p.m. **Adjournment**

Conference Goals and Objectives

The goal of the conference is to improve correctional practitioners' ability to prevent and diagnose cancer, to provide primary care to patients with cancer at various stages, and to monitor patients whose cancer is in remission, all in the setting of a correctional institution.

1. Improve correctional practitioners' ability to prevent cancer
2. Improve correctional practitioners' ability to diagnose cancer
3. Improve correctional practitioners' knowledge of emerging oncologic screening and treatment modalities
4. Improve correctional practitioners' ability to support patients undergoing specialty care for cancer
5. Improve correctional practitioners' ability to manage end of life care for patients with terminal cancer

CME

Application for CME credit has been filed with the American Academy of Family Physicians. Determination of credit is pending.

CME Certificates

To obtain your certificate on site, submit the CE registration form along with the completed evaluation at the Registration Desk upon your last attended session. Credit will only be given for sessions completed. For certificates not received on site, please mail the materials to: SCP, 1145 W. Diversey Pkwy., Chicago IL 60614 or FAX to (773) 880-2424. After January 1, 2014, there will be a \$25 processing fee to receive a copy of your certificate.