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April 6, 2022
“Slaying the Hydra: Recurrent Clostridioides Difficile Infections”

Jeffrey Tessier, M.D., FACP, FIDSA

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Objectives:

- Review the pathogenesis of Clostridioides difficile infections (CDI) and risk factors for recurrent CDI (rCDI).
 - Discuss therapeutic interventions to reduce the incidence of rCDI.

April 13, 2022

“Updates on COVID-19 Therapeutics”

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Objectives:

- Review COVID-19 therapeutics in hospitalized patients using an evidence-based fashion on the severity and stage of clinical disease.
 - Identify at least three effective outpatient therapies for COVID-19.
- Describe the impact of various COVID-19 variants on the effectiveness of monoclonal antibody therapies.

April 20, 2022

“Bankrupt America or Short-Change The Patient? An Ethical Decision-Making Framework for Selecting The ‘Right’ Medication”

Ellen Kitchell, M.D.

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Objectives:

- Analyze the implications of rising medication costs in the United States.
- Evaluate the differences between “science” and “ethics” and how each are used in combination to make medical decisions.
- Discuss an internally consistent ethical decision-making model for use in healthcare resource prioritization decisions.

April 27, 2022

“COVID-19 Update: Variants, Waves and Guidelines”

Roger Bedimo, M.D., M.S., FACP

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Objectives:

- Describe the impact of successive variants on COVID-19 epidemiology.
- Discuss the evolving preventive and therapeutic options management of COVID-19.
- Review the challenges of developing treatment guidelines during a pandemic health crisis.

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