



On-Line Evidence-Based Professional Development Courses

The PA Area Health Education Center Program presents Updates in Critical Health Areas for the Primary Care Physician and Other Health Care Practitioners

“In 1950, doctors in practice could expect the total amount of medical knowledge to double every 50 years. By 2020, it will take just 73 days.”¹ The complexity of primary health care continues to evolve with the advancing standards of care in medicine. For these reasons, professional development becomes synonymous with being a good clinician.

As part of our mission, PA AHEC is pleased to provide new evidence-based professional development video courses to promote continued excellence in patient care. These presentations focus on three critical conditions common to primary care practitioners: **heart failure, asthma management, and stroke prevention. Join us!**

Please login to the [paahec.org Professional Development](http://paahec.org/Professional%20Development) page using this **Enrollment Key: PD09012017** to view the courses. Each course has a corresponding forum for you to post comments and pose questions to the presenter. The answers will be provided in as timely a manner as possible.

Presenters and Topics

John Boehmer, M.D. “Update on the Evaluation and Treatment of Heart Failure.” Dr. Boehmer specializes in cardiovascular disease. He is a Professor of Medicine at Penn State Hershey College of Medicine and Program Director, Heart Failure Services. Dr. Boehmer completed his fellowship in Cardiovascular Medicine at Johns Hopkins University Hospital; his residency in Internal Medicine at the University of Massachusetts Medical Center; and received his medical degree from the Penn State College of Medicine.

Faoud Ishmael, M.D. “Current and Emerging Approaches to Asthma Management.” Dr. Ishmael specializes in allergy and immunology. He is an Associate Professor of Medicine and Biochemistry and Molecular Biology at Penn State College of Medicine, Division of Pulmonary and Critical Care. He completed his Fellowship in Allergy/Immunology at Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine; his residency in Internal Medicine at Penn State Milton S. Hershey Medical Center; and received his medical degree from Penn State College of Medicine.

Randall Bossler, M.D. “Primary and Secondary Stroke Prevention.” Dr. Bossler is a fourth-year resident in the Department of Neurology and Comprehensive Stroke Center at Penn State Hershey Medical Center; he received his medical degree from Penn State College of Medicine; previously, he was a mental health professional and will return to the U.S. Army next year.

¹ Poorman, Elisabeth. (2016, November 10). Staying Current in Medicine: Advice for New Doctors [Web blog post]. Retrieved August 22, 2017, from <https://knowledgeplus.nejm.org>.