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presents the workshop:

“12 Lead ECG Interpretation and Acute Coronary Syndrome with Case Studies from the Cardiac Catheterization Lab.”

The next three pages provide a brief summary of our Workshop Agenda and Educational Objectives.

The information contained on pages 5 through 12 is from the introduction to the textbook: “12 Lead ECG Interpretation in Acute Coronary Syndrome with Case Studies from the Cardiac Catheterization Lab.”

The textbook’s Table of Contents (pages 6 – 8) provide a more detailed description of our Workshop’s content.

The textbook serves as the sole foundation for our one-day ECG workshop bearing the same name. Therefore, all medical editing and reviews of the textbook concurrently apply to our workshop.

Participants who attend our workshop receive a 156 page color workbook which is synchronized with the workshop’s PowerPoint presentation. The workbook also contains review questions and practice ECGs, intended to reinforce participants’ knowledge of the material.

For those who need a detailed, specific breakdown of our workshop’s knowledge and skills objectives, presented in the format of Bloom’s Taxonomy, please contact our Program Director at the email address listed below.

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This one day workshop is intended for medical professionals whom are already competent with single-lead ECG rhythm strip interpretation, who desire to upgrade their skills to the 12 Lead ECG level. Our workshop prepares critical care practitioners to:

- Interpret 12 Lead ECGs
- Assimilate data derived from the 12 Lead ECG into a comprehensive patient evaluation process which is designed to compensate for the ECGs well known problems with lack of sensitivity and specificity
- Identify 13 patterns of myocardial ischemia and infarction, including the most subtle ECG changes which are often missed by veteran clinicians and the ECG machine’s automated interpretation software
- Correlate each lead of the ECG with specific regions of the heart – and the coronary arterial distribution that commonly supplies it
- Identify the infarct related artery via ECG interpretation in 11 common classifications of Acute Myocardial Infarction (AMI).
- Anticipate specific complications resulting from the failure of cardiac structures commonly supplied by the occluded arterial distribution in cases of AMI

The first half of the workshop focuses on the “fundamentals” of 12 Lead ECG Interpretation. We provide a comprehensive review of coronary arterial anatomy, which provides an essential foundation for those who want to understand the complications and pathophysiologies of several classifications of Acute Myocardial Infarction. We also provide useful information about Wolff-Parkinson-White and Long QT Syndromes; this is information that can be used to readily identify patients who are young and healthy whom are at high risk for potentially lethal dysrhythmias.

The second half of the workshop focuses on the ECG evaluation of Acute Coronary Syndrome (ACS). We present a comprehensive patient evaluation process designed to augment the clinician’s capability of identifying the most subtle indicators of ACS, with the goal of minimizing misdiagnosis of ACS patients. Multiple Cardiac Cath Lab cases studies of ST Segment Elevation MI (STEMI), Non-STEMI, Unstable Angina are presented. Using actual patient case studies, combined with presentation of the patient’s coronary angiography (cath lab films) significantly enhances the ability of participants to thoroughly understand the pathophysiological changes associated with each type of MI. We also present several “infarction mimics,” such as the Brugada Syndrome, which is a genetically acquired condition which is believed to cause 4 – 12% of all cardiac deaths in patients with a structurally normal heart: this includes pediatric patients and young, healthy adults.
WORKSHOP AGENDA:

AM SESSION: 12 Lead ECG Fundamentals - (5.0 CE Hours)

- Essential Cardiac Anatomy and Physiology
  - Coronary Artery Anatomy
  - Cardiac Electrical System
- Basic ECG Principles
  - Correlation of ECG Leads with Coronary Arterial Distributions
  - Cardiac Structures Served by Common Arterial Distributions
- Waveforms and Intervals
- QRS Patterns
- Long QT Syndromes
- Wolff-Parkinson-White Syndrome
- Bundle Branch Blocks
- Chamber Hypertrophy
- Axis Deviation and Rotation

PM SESSION: 12 Lead ECG Identification of ACS - (5.0 CE Hours)

- Acute Coronary Syndrome (ACS) Overview
- The "Quadrad of ACS" - The Key to Accurate Diagnosis
- ACS Symptoms: Typical and Atypical
- ECG Patterns of ACS Associated With:
  - Narrow QRS Complexes
  - LBBB and RBBB QRS Patterns
- Serial ECGs / Cardiac Markers / Risk Factor Profiles
- 15 and 18 Lead ECGs

CASE STUDIES:

- 10 ST Segment Elevation MI (STEMI)
- 9 Non-STEMI & Unstable Angina
- Brugada Syndrome
- STEMI Mimics

WORKSHOP ACCREDITATION:

Our one day 12 Lead ECG workshop has been awarded 10 CE Hours by the State of Florida Board of Nursing and the District of Columbia Board of Nursing.

We are a registered with CE Broker, Provider Number: 50-12998
WORKSHOP OBJECTIVES:

AM Session - Fundamentals of 12 Lead ECG Interpretation - (5.0 CE hours)

Upon completion of this program, participants will be able to:

- Recall sensitivity and specificity problems associated with the 12 Lead ECG
- Recall patient evaluation techniques designed to overcome problems with ECG sensitivity and specificity
- Recall conditions which cause abnormal heart sounds, and their correlating ECG abnormalities
- Recall the two most common coronary arterial anatomic configurations
- Recall critical cardiac structures supplied by each coronary artery
- Identify proper lead placement for obtaining 12 and 18 Lead ECGs
- Identify normal and abnormal ECG waveforms and intervals
- Recall ECG traits and pathophysiology of Long QT syndromes
- Indentify Bundle Branch and Fascicular Blocks
- Recall common factors that alter the 12 Lead ECG
- Identify Axis Deviation and Rotation Abnormalities on the 12 Lead ECG
- Identify the four most common causes of Abnormal Axis Rotation on the ECG
- Identify the presence of non-concealed Wolff-Parkinson-White Syndrome on the ECG
- Identify Atrial and Ventricular Hypertrophy on the 12 Lead ECG

PM Session - 12 Lead ECG Identification of Acute Coronary Syndrome - (5.0 CE hours)

Upon completion of this program, participant will be able to:

- Recall conditions which comprise Acute Coronary Syndrome (ACS)
- Describe the components of the Quadrad of ACS, and their relevance to maximizing diagnostic accuracy in patients with ACS
- Recall Typical and Atypical Symptoms of ACS
- Recall techniques to aid in the ECG Diagnosis of ACS in the presence of Right and Left Bundle Branch Block QRS Patterns
- Identify 13 ECG Patterns associated with ACS
- Identify the Infarct-Related Artery in 10 common classifications of ST Segment Myocardial Infarction (STEMI)
- Recall complications to be expected in 10 common classifications of STEMI
- Recall diagnostic criteria for Non-STEMI and Unstable Angina
- Recall the etiology, pathophysiology and ECG abnormalities associated with Brugada Syndrome
- Identify Patient Assessment and ECG characteristics associated with Acute Pericarditis, Myocarditis, Hyperkalemia and Early Repolarization
12 LEAD ECG INTERPRETATION

IN

ACUTE CORONARY SYNDROME

With CASE STUDIES
from the

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TARGET AUDIENCE:

This book is intended for medical professionals whom are competent in basic single lead ECG rhythm strip analysis, and desire to learn the basic concepts of 12 lead ECG interpretation, and to identify 12 lead ECG patterns associated with Acute Coronary Syndrome (ACS). It is not intended to teach “basic single-lead rhythm strip analysis.”

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A note from the author before you get started:

This work has evolved from a PowerPoint handout that I created for my 12 Lead ECG workshops, which I have been conducting since 1997. It encompasses everything I have learned from veteran medical practitioners (my mentors), books, medical journals, and from my own practical experience in the prehospital environment, emergency department, and from assisting with over 10,000 cardiac catheterizations and electrophysiology studies, spanning from 1978 to the current time.

Suffice to say, although this book represents the best I have to offer at the current time, I have no doubt that there are folks who will read this book, and will have thoughts they would like to share. From those of you who take the time to read my work, I appreciate your feedback, whether it’s complimentary or “constructive.” You can correspond with me at:

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