Program Information

Statement of Purpose

The educational content of this CME activity is intended for pathologists, medical technologists, pathology assistants, and cytotechnologists. This five-day postgraduate conference will focus on new developments in anatomic pathology with companion days in clinical pathology, cytopathology, and dermatopathology. This course is designed to provide a comprehensive update on selected problematic areas. Emphasis will be placed on the application of morphological criteria used to interpret most of the usual and some unusual challenges encountered in every day practice. A distinguished faculty of the nation’s experts will address the current diagnostic role of adjunctive techniques and evolving technical procedures. The core competencies addressed in this activity include patient care, medical knowledge, practice-based learning and improvement, and systems-based practice.

Learning Objectives

This course will be a didactic presentation of practical and critical issues in clinical pathology, surgical pathology, cytopathology, and dermatopathology. Case-based presentations will highlight commonly encountered problems in diagnosis. Upon completion of this program, the course participants should be able to:

- Explain the optimal use of multiplex molecular panels for infectious diseases.
- Apply diagnostic criteria to evaluate lesions of the mediastinum.
- Utilize the Papanicolaou Society of Cytopathology System to report pancreaticobiliary cytology.
- Avoid common pitfalls in interpreting cutaneous biopsies from the breast and vulva.

Accreditation

The Medical University of South Carolina is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

Credit Designation

The Medical University of South Carolina designates this live activity for a maximum of 30 AMA PRA Category 1 credit(s)™. Physicians should claim only the credits commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

Disclosure Statement

In accordance with the ACCME Essentials and Standards, anyone involved in planning or presenting this educational activity will be required to disclose any relevant financial relationships with commercial interests in the healthcare industry. This information will be made available to participants at the beginning of the activity. Speakers who incorporate information about off-label or investigational use of drugs or devices will be asked to disclose that information at the beginning of their presentation.

Evaluation Forms

Evaluations are an important tool to measure the success of our conference and to determine educational need for future conferences. Please take the time to give us your feedback. At the end of each day, you will receive a link by email to a daily evaluation survey to rate the effectiveness of each presentation and to indicate if learning objectives were met.
Following the conference, you will receive a link by email to the end-of-conference evaluation. Once completed, you will be able to access the MUSC CME Tracker and enter a CME Activity Code to claim your credits.

**CME Credit Claim Process**

The MUSC Office of Continuing Medical Education has an online system for completing end-of-conference evaluations through Survey Monkey and claiming CME/CEU credits. Once completed, you may print your CME/CEU certificate immediately.

**For CME/CEU credit you must:**

1. Document attendance daily by having the barcode on your badge scanned.
2. Complete the end-of-conference evaluation online.
3. Access the MUSC CME Tracker and enter the Activity Code.

**Self-Assessment Modules (SAMs) for Pathologists**

MUSC Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine is approved by the American Board of Pathology (ABP) to provide Self-Assessment Modules (SAMs) for pathologists. Participants will receive a SAMs letter electronically which certifies successful completion of the assessment for each activity.

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IMPORTANT: The MUSC Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine’s SAMs letter documents those activities listed on the CME credit letter for which you successfully completed an approved self-assessment. Submit both the CME credit letter and the SAMs letter to the ABP.

**Americans with Disabilities Act**

It is the policy of the Medical University of South Carolina not to discriminate against any person on the basis of disabilities. If you require services or the auxiliary aids mentioned in this act in order to fully participate in this continuing medical education activity, please contact Patty Houser at houserpa@musc.edu.

**Registration**

Registration includes breakfast buffets, breaks, luncheons, Friday evening Low Country Roast, conference materials, and credit processing. Additional fees apply to guests. Registrants will receive written confirmation of enrollment.

**Cancellations**

We reserve the right to cancel the program if necessary. Full registration fees will be refunded in the event of a cancelled program. The Medical University of South Carolina cannot be responsible for reimbursement of airline or other transportation fares, hotel or rental charges, including penalties.

**For additional information, please contact:**

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