

2018



ACG'S IBD SCHOOL & BOARD OF GOVERNORS/ ASGE BEST PRACTICES COURSE

JANUARY 26–28, 2018 | CAESARS PALACE, LAS VEGAS, NEVADA

ONE WEEKEND. TWO COURSES.

ACG'S IBD SCHOOL

Applying the evidence to everyday clinical practice
Friday, January 26

EARN UP TO **9 CME CREDITS** | EARN UP TO **9 MOC POINTS**

ACG BOARD OF GOVERNORS/ ASGE BEST PRACTICES COURSE

Addressing the spectrum of clinical GI and liver disease
Saturday and Sunday, January 27-28

EARN UP TO **13.5 CME CREDITS** | EARN UP TO **13.5 MOC POINTS**

**MEMBERS PAY ONLY \$99
FOR 1-DAY IBD SCHOOL**



A nighttime photograph of a cityscape, likely Las Vegas, featuring illuminated buildings and streets. A large, stylized white '2018' is overlaid on the top left. A purple and yellow curved graphic element separates the image from the text on the right.

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ACG'S IBD SCHOOL & ACG BOARD OF GOVERNORS/ ASGE BEST PRACTICES COURSE

Learn the who, what, why, and how in GI and hepatology diagnosis and management.

ACG'S IBD SCHOOL & THE 2018 ACG BOARD OF GOVERNORS/ASGE BEST PRACTICES COURSE.

Maximize your time and learning when you attend ACG's IBD School & the 2018 ACG Board of Governors/ASGE Best Practices Course, Friday-Sunday, January 26-28, at Caesars Palace, Las Vegas.

ACG's one-day IBD School will be held on Friday. Hear experts apply the evidence to everyday clinical practice. Spend the day immersed in learning the art and science of IBD diagnosis, treatment and monitoring.

Saturday and Sunday is the Best Practices Course, a joint program of the ACG Board of Governors and ASGE offered biennially. Best Practices will feature leading experts who will delve into the common and not-so-common GI and hepatology disorders. Attend and you'll leave Las Vegas with clinical pearls you can incorporate into practice.

January 26-28, 2018

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Enjoy your stay at Caesars Palace, which offers fine dining, shopping, and great casino action. The venue is centrally located on the Las Vegas Strip, so even more entertainment options are a short walk away. The programs will be offered during the bye week between the playoffs and the Super Bowl, so you won't miss any of your favorite sports action. Take a three-day weekend and earn CME and MOC while you enjoy a little rest and relaxation after a busy holiday season.

“... strong attention to areas seen in everyday practice while still providing useful information to the veteran gastroenterologist.”

—Best Practices attendee, 2016

MOBILE APP INFORMATION

Included with your registration is complimentary access to the course presentations via the ACG Mobile app. Download the ACG Mobile app and click on the Regional Courses icon. The app can be used to view faculty presentations on tablets, mobile devices, and laptops, and offers note-taking and highlighting capabilities. Take notes at the event and continue reviewing them when you get home.

PDFs of the presentations can be printed or downloaded directly from the app.

Pre-registrants will receive access to the app prior to the course, to view, download, or print the presentation slides. **(NOTE: A printed syllabus will not be provided.)**



ACG'S IBD SCHOOL—AGENDA

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Applying
THE EVIDENCE to everyday
CLINICAL PRACTICE.

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COURSE DIRECTORS:

Sunanda V. Kane, MD, MSPH, FACP, and David T. Rubin, MD, FACP

FRIDAY, JANUARY 26, 2018

7:00 am Registration and Continental Breakfast

8:00 am Welcome and Introduction
Course Directors

8:10 am Understanding the Epidemiology and
Natural History of IBD for Clinicians

David T. Rubin, MD, FACP

Describe the epidemiology, natural history, and theories regarding the development of IBD, and differentiate IBD from its mimics.

8:30 am Thoughtful Application of Diagnostic
Tools in IBD: When to Use What

Jonathan A. Leighton, MD, FACP

Discuss the appropriateness and timing of various diagnostic tools in IBD and review pearls for their proper use.

“Overall, the presentations were clinically relevant and practically useful to a community gastroenterology practice like mine.”

—IBD School attendee, 2017

9:00 am Goals of Caring for the IBD Patient

Raymond K. Cross, Jr., MD, MS

Analyze the available data and positioning in IBD management of patient-centered goals and published algorithms of care.

9:30 am How to Think About Immune Suppressive Agents in the Era of Biologics

Stephen B. Hanauer, MD, FACG

Explain the roles and positioning of immune suppressive agents, including steroids, thiopurines, methotrexate, and tacrolimus.

10:00 am Q & A

10:15 am Refreshment Break

10:35 am Biological Therapies in IBD: The Revolution in IBD

Stephen B. Hanauer, MD, FACG

Recognize the role of biologics, including appropriate candidates, the various mechanisms of action, and data to support each.

11:15 am Drug and Disease Monitoring

Raymond K. Cross, Jr., MD, MS

Critically analyze the available data supporting therapeutic drug monitoring, recommendations for pre-therapy testing, and proactive management while receiving therapies.

11:40 am Timing of Surgery and Prevention of Post-operative Recurrence

Susan Galandruk, MD, FACG, FACS, FASCRS

Outline the management of patients who are surgical candidates, and describe the management of patients in the post-operative period.

11:55 am Lunch With Faculty and Case Presentations

All faculty

1:30 pm Cancer Prevention in IBD

David T. Rubin, MD, FACG

Summarize primary and secondary cancer prevention in IBD patients, including the use of chromoendoscopy.

1:55 pm Management of EIM: Disease-related, Disease-unrelated, and Therapy-related

Jonathan A. Leighton, MD, FACG

Identify non-gastrointestinal conditions associated with IBD and their management.

2:20 pm Complementary and Alternative Medicine in IBD

Sunanda V. Kane, MD, MSPH, FACG

Interpret the evidence base for popular alternative therapies, including medical marijuana, herbal remedies, and probiotics.

2:45 pm Refreshment Break

3:00 pm Diet and Nutrition

Christina Y. Ha, MD

Outline the evidence for different diets in managing patients with IBD.

3:25 pm The Pregnant Patient With IBD

Sunanda V. Kane, MD, MSPH, FACG

Discuss IBD management strategies before and during pregnancy.

3:50 pm Microscopic Colitis

Christina Y. Ha, MD

Describe the epidemiology and management of microscopic colitis.

4:15 pm Case Presentations

All faculty

5:15 pm Q & A / Wrap-up

Sunanda V. Kane, MD, MSPH, FACG, and David T. Rubin, MD, FACG

5:30 pm Course Adjourns

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COURSE DIRECTORS:

Douglas G. Adler, MD, FACC, FASGE, Costas H. Kefalas, MD, MMM, FACC, FASGE, and Shivangi T. Kothari, MD, FACC, FASGE

SATURDAY, JANUARY 27, 2018

7:00 am Registration and Continental Breakfast in the Exhibit Hall

7:25 am Welcome Remarks and Announcements
Course Directors

SESSION 1: COLON

Moderator: Shivangi T. Kothari, MD, FACC, FASGE

7:30 am Quality Measures in Colonoscopy: How to Achieve Them and Why?
Aasma Shaukat, MD, MPH, FACC, FASGE

Describe current colonoscopy quality measures and why they are important in the GI practice.

7:50 am Failed Colonoscopy: What Next?
Steven A. Edmundowicz, MD, FASGE

Discuss various approaches and options when traditional colonoscopy fails.

8:10 am The Difficult Colon Polyp: Tricks and Options for Resection
Shivangi T. Kothari, MD, FACC, FASGE

Identify management and resection techniques for difficult colon polyps.

8:30 am Update in the Treatment of *C. difficile* Infection
Colleen R. Kelly, MD, FACC

Summarize treatment options for *C. difficile* including FMT.

8:50 am Q & A

SESSION 2: HEPATOLOGY

Moderator: Tram T. Tran, MD, FACG

9:05 am Autoimmune Hepatitis: Diagnosis and Management

Mitchell L. Shiffman, MD, FACG

Outline diagnosis and treatment options for autoimmune hepatitis.

9:25 am Managing the Patient with Decompensated Cirrhosis

Tram T. Tran, MD, FACG

Explain the approach to managing a patient with decompensated cirrhosis and its complications.

9:45 am Up-to-Date Treatment of Hepatitis C

Paul Y. Kwo, MD, FACG

Recognize current treatments for chronic hepatitis C.

10:05 am Q & A

10:20 am Refreshment Break / Visit Exhibits

SESSION 3: ESOPHAGUS

Moderator: Nicholas J. Shaheen, MD, MPH, FACG, FASGE

10:40 am The Refractory Benign Esophageal Stricture (RBES): What to Do?

Karen L. Woods, MD, FACG, FASGE

Define endoscopic and surgical approaches to patients with RBES and discuss treatment algorithms.

11:00 am Esophageal Motility Disorders: What You Need to Know

John E. Pandolfino, MD, MSCI, FACG

Discuss esophageal motility disorders and the role of manometry in their diagnosis and management.

11:20 am Barrett's Esophagus: Diagnosis, Treatment, and Surveillance

Nicholas J. Shaheen, MD, MPH, FACG, FASGE

Apply current management of Barrett's esophagus, emphasizing eradication techniques, including risks and benefits.

11:40 am Eosinophilic Esophagitis (EoE): Beyond PPI Therapy

Kenneth R. DeVault, MD, FACG

Propose therapeutic options for patients with EoE who fail first-line therapy.

12:00 pm Q & A

12:15 pm Break / Lunch Buffet

SESSION 4: PRACTICE MANAGEMENT SESSION

Moderator: Costas H. Kefalas, MD, MMM, FACG, FASGE

12:35 pm Telemedicine Opportunities for the GI Practice

Raymond K. Cross, Jr., MD, MS

Identify opportunities to utilize telemedicine in a GI practice.

12:55 pm Incorporating Non-Physician Clinicians Into Your Practice

Daniel J. Pambianco, MD, FACG, FASGE

Explain how to successfully incorporate non-physician clinicians into a practice setting.

1:15 pm Merit-Based Incentive Payment System (MIPS) in 2018

Costas H. Kefalas, MD, MMM, FACG, FASGE

List the requirements for MIPS in 2018.

1:35 pm Q & A

1:50 pm Break - Dessert in the Exhibit Hall

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SATURDAY AFTERNOON GENERAL SESSION AND HANDS-ON WORKSHOP SESSIONS*:

**Hands-on workshops do not offer CME.*

2:10 pm **Stump the Chumps!**

Case Presenter: Douglas G. Adler, MD, FACG, FASGE

Panel Members: John R. Saltzman, MD, FACG, FASGE, and David A. Greenwald, MD, FACG, FASGE

Compare diagnostic and treatment recommendations for a challenging case.

*OR Hands-on Workshop Session**

3:00 pm **I've Been Sued! Now What?**

Douglas G. Adler, MD, FACG, FASGE

Analyze the mechanics of a malpractice lawsuit and discuss strategies to reduce risk and to cope with realities of a lawsuit.

*OR Hands-on Workshop Session**

3:50 pm **Battling Physician Burnout**

Christina M. Surawicz, MD, MACG

Recognize, prevent, and treat burnout among physicians.

*OR Hands-on Workshop Session**

4:40 pm **Endoscopic Treatments for Obesity: Science Fact or Science Fiction?**

Ali A. Siddiqui, MD

Appraise current and proposed endoscopic treatments for obesity.

*OR Hands-on Workshop Session**

5:30 pm **Course Adjourns for the Day**

HANDS-ON WORKSHOP SESSIONS

Attendees have the opportunity to participate in the Hands-on Workshops at no additional charge. These sessions focus on specific endoscopic procedures, and offer participants a chance to gain tactile experience using a variety of tools and techniques. Faculty will demonstrate a device and/or technique, and attendees will have the opportunity to practice. While the hands-on workshop sessions do not offer CME, they are a valuable learning experience, and give attendees the chance to interact with the experts. Hands-on workshops will be concurrent with the general sessions on Saturday afternoon. There are limited spaces available. Registrants are able to select their top station when they register for the course. The College will assign station time based on availability.

“Endoscopic instruction stations were excellent for review of techniques and new equipment.”

—Hands-on Workshop participant, 2016

HANDS-ON WORKSHOP SESSIONS

**10 hands-on stations will be offered.
The stations are:**

- ✓ EMR – Cap
- ✓ EMR – Band
- ✓ ERCP
- ✓ ESD
- ✓ Foreign Body Removal
- ✓ Hemorrhoid Banding
- ✓ Hemorrhoid Energy Therapy
- ✓ Hemostasis
- ✓ Mucosal Ablation: Cryotherapy
- ✓ Mucosal Ablation: RFA

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SUNDAY, JANUARY 28, 2018

7:00 am Registration and Continental Breakfast in the Exhibit Hall

7:55 am Welcome and Announcements

Course Directors

SESSION 5: STOMACH AND SMALL BOWEL

Moderator: William D. Chey, MD, FACG

7:30 am Managing the Bloating Patient: Role of Diet, FODMAP, Antibiotics, and Probiotics

William D. Chey, MD, FACG

Discuss causes and management of bloating in irritable bowel syndrome and the role of the microbiome.

7:50 am GI Bleed Management: Tricks of the Trade

John R. Saltzman, MD, FACG, FASGE

Describe an overview and application of various hemostasis techniques.

8:10 am Dyspepsia in 2018: Evaluation and Management

Brian E. Lacy, MD, PhD, FACG

Compare approach and treatment strategy in the dyspeptic patient.

8:30 am Q & A

8:45 am Refreshment Break / Visit Exhibits

SESSION 6: PANCREATICOBILIARY

Moderator: Douglas G. Adler, MD, FACG, FASGE

9:00 am Post-ERCP Pancreatitis (PEP): How to Cause, How to Prevent!

Douglas G. Adler, MD, FACG, FASGE

Identify current knowledge regarding PEP, its prevention, and current controversies.

9:20 am Cystic Pancreatic Neoplasms: What's New in 2018?

Jeffrey H. Lee, MD, MPH, FACG, FASGE

Explain the management of cystic pancreatic neoplasms, with an emphasis on new guidelines..

9:40 am The Difficult Common Bile Duct Stone: What to Do?

Amit Rastogi, MD

Compare strategies to remove large or complex bile duct stones.

10:00 am Should I Stop Doing ERCP?

Ashley L. Faulx, MD, FACG, FASGE

Describe the nature of modern ERCP practice, quality benchmarks, and reasons to continue or stop doing these procedures.

10:20 am Q & A

SESSION 7: IBD

Moderator: David T. Rubin, MD, FACG

**10:35 am Management of Ulcerative Colitis:
Updated ACG Practice Guidelines**

David T. Rubin, MD, FACG

Apply updated ACG practice guidelines for the management of ulcerative colitis.

10:55 am Review of Biologics for the Treatment of IBD

Jean-Paul Achkar, MD, FACG

Evaluate available biologic agents for treatment of IBD and understand indications for their selection.

11:15 am The Role of Biosimilars in IBD: Principles and Indications

Stephen B. Hanauer, MD, FACG

Outline basic principles of biosimilars and define indications for their use in treating patients with IBD.

11:35 am Practical Approach to IBD Therapeutic Drug Monitoring

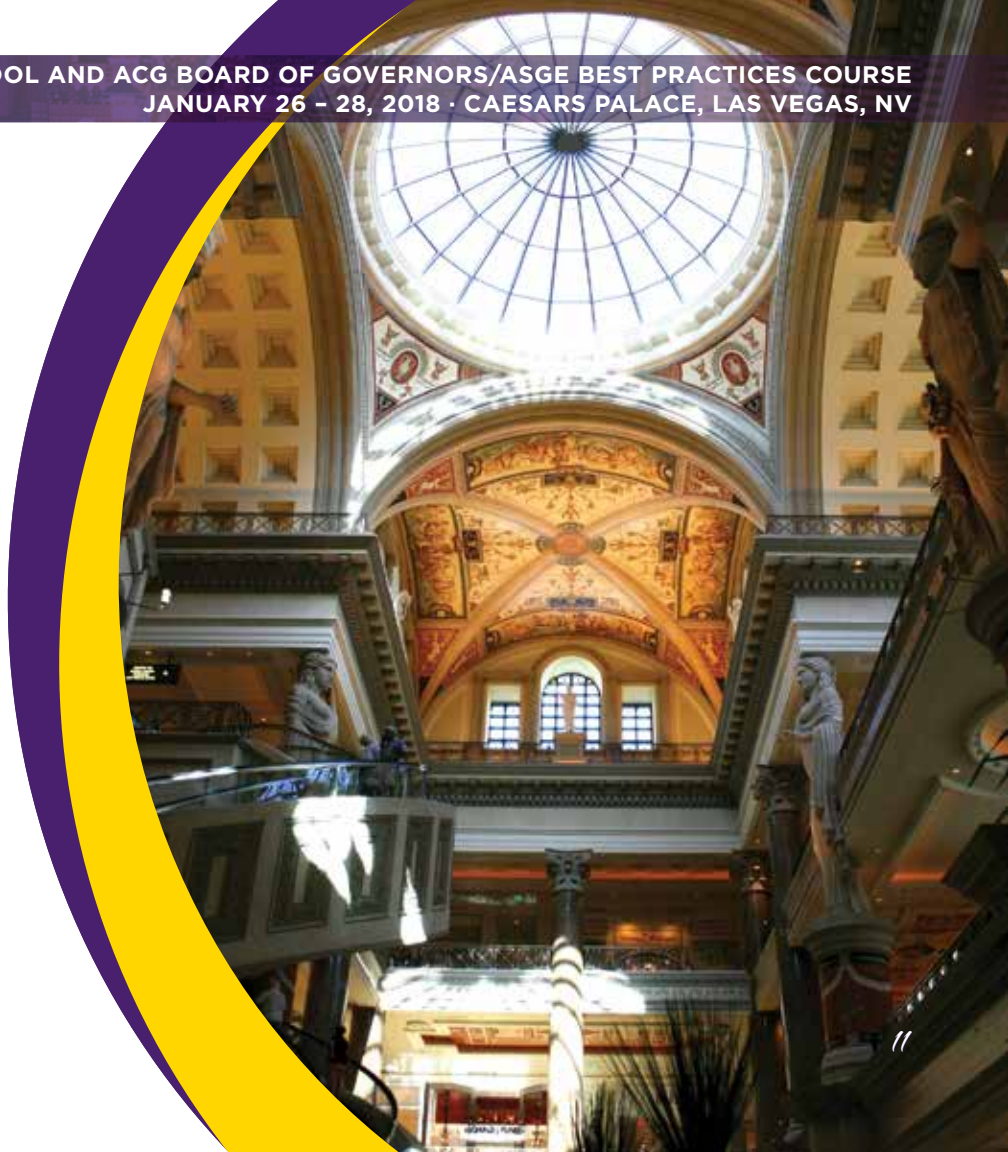
David A. Schwartz, MD, FACG

Define tests utilized to monitor drug therapy in IBD and explain when to order them.

11:55 am Q & A

12:10 pm Closing Remarks

12:20 pm Course Adjourns



PROGRAM DESCRIPTIONS / ACCREDITATION

ACG's IBD SCHOOL

IBD is an area of gastroenterology that continues to see rapid developments in diagnostic and medical therapeutic options. ACG's IBD School is a day-long educational program that combines an immersion in IBD management with a clinical update on new therapeutic and monitoring approaches. The goals of this course are to improve clinical judgment and to address the art and science of IBD management. The program will educate attendees in a practical manner regarding the natural history of disease, modifiable risk factors for adverse outcomes, diagnostic and prognostic testing, and rational decision making for medical treatment. The program will also address changes in epidemiologic trends, advances in laboratory, radiographic, and endoscopic modalities that directly impact diagnosis and management of IBD, as well as developments in surveillance of dysplasia in ulcerative colitis and Crohn's colitis. Some of the most challenging clinical scenarios, such as the approach to primary medication failure or secondary loss of response, will be discussed in great detail.

This program is designed for gastroenterologists, gastroenterology trainees, primary care physicians, nurses, physician assistants, and nurse practitioners interested in the latest information on IBD management.

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The introduction and advances of innovative diagnostic techniques and novel therapeutics has created an exciting range of approaches to many important areas of GI disease and patient care. This program is designed to address those compelling and controversial areas in the care of patients with gastrointestinal disease.

During this course, multiple topics will be covered including quality measures in colonoscopy, difficult colon polyps, autoimmune hepatitis, decompensated cirrhosis, esophageal disorders, EoE, endoscopic treatments for obesity, GI bleeding, dyspepsia, post-ERCP pancreatitis, and inflammatory bowel disease. Sessions will also feature practice management topics, practical advice on malpractice lawsuits and how to reduce risk, as well as the wildly popular interactive "Stump the Chumps!" session where leading experts are asked to give their recommendations on challenging cases and then the audience is asked for their opinions. The structure of the program includes a mix of didactic presentations delivered by expert faculty, breakout sessions, case presentations, interactive audience discussions as well as significant question and answer opportunities. Hands-on sessions will also be offered.

This program is designed for gastroenterologists, gastroenterology trainees, primary care physicians, nurses, physician assistants and nurse practitioners interested in the latest information on diagnostic GI and state-of-the-art treatment of these illnesses.

ACCREDITATION / CME / MOC

The American College of Gastroenterology is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

ACG's IBD School

The American College of Gastroenterology designates this live activity for a maximum of 9 *AMA PRA Category 1 Credits*™. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.



Successful completion of this CME activity, which includes participation in the evaluation component, enables the participant to earn up to 9 MOC points in the American Board of Internal Medicine's (ABIM) Maintenance of Certification (MOC) program. Participants will earn MOC points equivalent to the amount of CME credits claimed for the activity. It is the CME activity provider's responsibility to submit participant completion information to ACCME for the purpose of granting ABIM MOC credit.

ACG Board of Governors / ASGE Best Practices Course

The American College of Gastroenterology designates this live activity for a maximum of 13.5 *AMA PRA Category 1 Credits*™. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.



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**ATTEND BOTH COURSES to maximize
your 2018 CME CREDITS AND MOC POINTS**

REGISTRATION / ACCOMMODATIONS

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

There are separate registration fees for ACG's IBD School and for the ACG Board of Governors/ASGE Best Practices Course. The registration fee for each program includes admission to all sessions, continental breakfasts, and refreshment breaks. Lunch is provided for IBD School participants on Friday and Best Practices participants on Saturday. All registrants must pay the full registration for the respective course. Full refund of registration fees will be given, less a \$25 administrative fee, if written notice of cancellation is received by ACG by **January 3, 2018**. No refunds will be given after this date.

ACG'S IBD SCHOOL REGISTRATION

REGISTRATION CATEGORY	REGISTRATION FEE
ACG / ASGE Physician Member	\$99
Non-member Physician	\$149
ACG / ASGE Member Trainee / Resident	\$99
Non-member Trainee / Resident	\$149
ACG / ASGE Member Allied Health / NP / PA	\$99
Non-member Allied Health / NP / PA	\$149

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REGISTRATION CATEGORY	REGISTRATION FEE
ACG / ASGE Physician Member	\$399
Non-member Physician	\$499
ACG / ASGE Member Trainee / Resident	\$179
Non-member Trainee / Resident	\$229
ACG / ASGE Member Allied Health / NP / PA	\$249
Non-member Allied Health / NP / PA	\$299

ACCOMMODATIONS

Both programs will be held at Caesars Palace. Centrally located on the Las Vegas Strip, it is considered one of the top luxury hotels in the world with more than 3,000 rooms, dozens of diverse restaurants, pools, gardens, and a world-class resort spa. The Forum Shops, located on the property, feature high-end fashion retailers from around the world. Make your reservations early by contacting Caesars Palace at 1-866-227-5944. Special meeting rates per night are \$239 plus tax (tax is currently 12%) for single or double rooms. There is an additional resort fee of \$32 plus tax, per room, per night. The resort fee includes unlimited local calls, two (2) guest admissions per day to the fitness center, in-room internet access for up to two (2) devices per room, per day. Additional fees of service charge and tax may apply. The hotel accepts all major credit cards. **Reservations must be made by January 3, 2018.** There are a limited number of rooms available at the meeting rate. There is no guarantee that rooms will be available up to the deadline date, and there is no guarantee that rooms will be available at the ACG meeting rate. Rates quoted are on a space available basis only. Once ACG's room block is sold out, the hotel may charge a higher rate for any additional rooms made available. Cancellations made within 72 hours of arrival will be penalized for one night's room and tax. Cancellations made prior to 72

hours will not be penalized. Check-in is 4:00 pm. Check-out is 11:00 am. Caesars Palace is located at 3570 S Las Vegas Blvd, Las Vegas, NV 89109. Visit www.caesarspalace.com for more information about the hotel.

MORE INFORMATION

For more information about these programs, contact ACG at education@gi.org.

Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA): Attendees of these programs who need additional reasonable accommodations or who have special needs, including dietary needs, should contact the ACG office at registration@gi.org no later than **January 3, 2018**.



**Register online:
MEETINGS.GI.ORG**



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