

ANNUAL MEETING UPDATE

SGIM Annual Meeting 2012: Things to Remember

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It's hard to believe, but the 35th Annual Meeting of the Society of General Internal Medicine is fast approaching! By now, you should be working to submit your scientific abstracts, innovations, and clinical vignettes before the deadline on January 9, 2012.

The Annual Meeting Program Committee has been working hard to organize an outstandingly informative and fun meeting for you. This year's conference, May 9-12, 2012, is at the Walt Disney World Swan and Dolphin Resort. In between sessions, relax at the new Mandara Spa or dine at one of the 17 restaurants and lounges on the property. Soak up the sun at one of the five pools or at the local beach, or spend an afternoon at one of the nearby health clubs, tennis courts, or golf courses. The SGIM website will have links to discounted

rates for those wishing to visit the theme parks—consider bringing the whole family!

Registration for the meeting will open this month (keep an eye out for eNews), and we encourage you to register early to avoid the increased fees for late registration.

Consider coming to the sessions on Wednesday. You will have lots to choose from this year. In addition to precourses and the ACLGIM Leon Hess Management Training and Leadership Institute and the ABIM MOC modules, the SGIM Clinical Practice committee is offering an all-day Patient Safety/Quality Improvement course. Each session has a different fee structure, so be sure to check those details.

In addition to our standard oral presentation sessions, workshops, and poster sessions, we are planning

an expanded international program this year. In addition to the ever-popular clinical updates in general internal medicine and hospital medicine, a new update is scheduled addressing the care of cancer survivors. Medical educators should keep their eye out for the Update in Medical Education as well as special symposia on graduate medical education in the modern era, innovative models of medical education, and incorporating patient safety and quality improvement into residency education.

The key to the success of any SGIM meeting is the involvement of our members; we hope you come to share your work, network with friends and colleagues, and renew your enthusiasm for general medicine. We're looking forward to seeing you in sunny Orlando!

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