

IN THE KNOW

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Special points of interest

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GEF Lecture Additions and Updates

Graduate Education Foundation now has over 135 online lectures available. Two new lectures have been added:

- Acute Renal Failure Part 2 (1.5 credit hours)
- Introduction to Hospital Quality and Safety Improvement (2 credit hours)

The first lecture is a follow-up to an existing lecture and the second incorporates elements required by Connecticut and Florida for relicensing.

Three CMElectures.org and CEUlectures.org lectures recently have been increased from 1.5 credit hours to 2 credit hours. These expanded lectures are:

- Atrial Fibrillation 1: Pharmacologic Approach
- Atrial Fibrillation 2: Non-Pharmacologic Approach
- Metabolic Acidosis

And, thanks to our users, the expansion resulted from an internal audit prompted by feedback in user evaluations.

GEF currently is updating the following lectures:

- Benign Diseases of the Breast
- Breast Cancer

The updates to these lectures will reflect the controversy created when the U.S. Preventive Services Task Force issued new recommendations regarding self breast exams and mammography in the early detection of breast cancer. GEF anticipates releasing the updated lectures in February 2010.

State Requirements Update

New subject matter has been added to Connecticut's mandated topics for physicians. Effective October 1, 2010, Cultural Competency will be required continuing education for license renewal in Connecticut. GEF currently is working with the Connecticut State Medical Society to determine the optimum way to meet this need. While our staff constantly scans the medical environment for requirement changes, **we welcome user feedback on new and specific requirements for license renewal.**

From the GEF Desk



Happy New Year! CMElectures.org and CEUlectures.org continue to grow; programs now have been implemented in 186 hospitals in 32 states.

In this edition of *In The Know*, we've provided updates on our lectures, Connecticut re-licensure requirements and upcoming conferences that Graduate Education Foundation will be attending.

As always, we look forward to hearing your feedback about the newsletter and welcome comments and suggestions. Please feel free to get in touch with us at 877-263-5400 or by email at info@gefcme.org.



Upcoming GEF Appearances

- **January 27 – 30:** Alliance for Continuing Medical Education's 35th Annual Conference, **New Orleans, LA**
- **January 27 – 30:** 2010 Joint Meeting of the Medical Library Group of Southern California and Arizona (MLGSCA) and the Northern California Nevada Medical Library Group (NCNMLG), **Glendale, AZ**
- **February** (date TBA): Second Annual Graduate Education Foundation / Connecticut State Medical Society Connecticut User Group Meeting, **New Haven, CT**
- **February 9:** GEF will demonstrate CMElectures.org and CEUlectures.org at Bridgeport Hospital's library services vendor day event, **Bridgeport, CT**
- **May 22 – 25:** Medical Library Association Annual Meeting, **Washington, DC**
- **June** (dates TBA): Florida Medical Association / Medical Association of Georgia CME Conference, **Savannah, GA**
- **July 8 – 11:** National Nursing Staff Developmental Organization 2010 Convention, **San Diego, CA**

GEF Affiliates

We are grateful for the many medical societies, nursing associations and professional organizations that help make CMElectures.org and CEUlectures.org a successful program in hospitals across the country:

- American Academy of Physicians Assistants
- Arkansas Medical Society
- Connecticut State Medical Society
- Delaware Nurses Association
- Florida Medical Association
- The Maryland State Medical Society
- Missouri Nurses Association
- Mississippi State Medical Association
- Medical Society of New Jersey
- New Hampshire Medical Society
- Pennsylvania State Nurses Association
- Rhode Island Medical Society
- Tennessee Medical Association
- Utah Medical Association

To learn more about the many benefits of a professional organization partnership with GEF, please contact us at 877-263-5400 or info@cmelectures.org.

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Hospital Spotlight

In our next issue, we will highlight one of our hospitals and how they are using the program. If you would like to be featured in future issues, please contact Michelle Cassidy or Kim Nave at 877-263-5400 or mccassidy@gefcm.org and let us know how CMElectures.org/CEUlectures.org works for your institution.