

**NEW YORK STATE THORACIC SOCIETY 2018 ANNUAL ASSEMBLY
MARCH 23RD -24TH 2018
WESTCHESTER MEDICAL CENTER VALHALLA, NY**



COURSE INFORMATION SHEET

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

The NYSTS Annual Scientific Assembly is designed to cover a wide range of topics relevant to the daily practice of pulmonary and critical care medicine in a variety of settings. Domestic and international experts from a number of different specialties will present on topics of direct relevance to the field of pulmonary and critical care medicine. The aim is to familiarize the audience with ongoing controversies while also helping them deliver improved patient care by optimally applying established principles. There have been recent and ongoing developments in all of the areas the conference intends to cover, and at the same time all of them continue to be plagued by significant knowledge and practice gaps created by lack of definitive evidence that the invited speakers will attempt to address. Learning gaps will be narrowed through didactic sessions with the opportunity to ask questions of world-renowned experts, case presentations with audience participation, and a poster session with dedicated time for individual question/answer interactions with viewers. Lectures will include discussions of lung cancer staging and management, aspects of critical care related to different organ systems, ARDS management with and without ECMO, pleural diseases and interventional pulmonary procedures, a logical approach to the evaluation of cystic lung disease, as well as a special talk on the challenges of critical care delivery in the developing world as illustrated by the Ebola outbreak in Africa. The conference will conclude with a multidisciplinary thoracic tumor board session. Overall, this activity will improve the knowledge, competence, and clinical performance of providers practicing in the field of pulmonary and critical care medicine.

TARGET AUDIENCE:

Providers and trainees in the field of pulmonology, critical care, and sleep medicine.

COURSE OBJECTIVES:

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

- Will appreciate the rationale, or lack thereof, for the use of therapies designed for CF-bronchiectasis in non-CF bronchiectasis, which will refine therapeutic decisions
- Will increase familiarity with the changes in lung cancer staging introduced into the 8th edition of the staging system and therefore more accurately stage these patients
- Will gain a better understanding of the pleural disease management practices supported by randomized controlled trial data and apply them more widely in practice
- Will appreciate the management controversies in subarachnoid hemorrhage of relevance to the neurointensivist and thereby improve care coordination with the neurosurgeon
- Will gain better appreciation of the arguments in favor of continuous versus intermittent renal replacement therapy in the ICU and will thereby make more informed decisions in selecting the optimal modality for a given patient
- Will recognize the advantages and limitations of the various available technologies for assessing volume responsiveness in the shock patient and thus will better understand which modality is likely to provide the most reliable information
- Will recognize the limitations in the data supporting ECMO use in ARDS and how those limitations should inform clinical decision-making
- Will appreciate the risks inherent in performing or referring for bronchoscopic cryobiopsy and as a result make more informed decisions about this option versus surgical biopsy in ILD
- Will recognize the currently available methods of PEEP titration and which of them offers the best balance between practicability and utility
- Will appreciate considerations of patient selection for resection of early-stage lung cancer versus the pathway of non-surgical treatment options

CME ACCREDITATION AND DESIGNATION:

This activity has been planned and implemented in accordance with the accreditation requirements and policies of the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) through the joint providership of the American Thoracic Society and NEW YORK STATE THORACIC SOCIETY. The American Thoracic Society is accredited by the ACCME to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

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GENERAL INFORMATION:

❖ **Videotaping, audio taping, or photographing the course is NOT permitted.**

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