Time is a valuable resource for practicing allergists/immunologists. Our days are always busy and it’s not uncommon to feel like there just aren’t enough hours in the week. Luckily, the College understands the needs of all practicing allergists and immunologists. This year’s Annual Scientific Meeting is packed with practical tips, pearls and advice you can immediately put to use. Sessions are tailored for experienced allergists, those new to practice, Fellows-in-Training and allied health professionals. The meeting is designed to help you, the practicing allergist, practice excellence every day. You will receive top notch education to provide the best patient care and be the best leader possible.

Thursday begins with the return of the International Food Allergy Symposium, which includes timely and exciting topics about all aspects of food allergy by world-renowned expert speakers.

For those of us who didn’t have as much time to hit the journals last year as we would have liked, the Annual Literature Review Course on Friday is a must. Highlighting ‘everything you should have read last year but didn’t,’ the course features the best reads in almost every topic, plus the year’s best articles. Symposia on Friday will cover allergic skin diseases, hereditary angioedema and asthma-COPD overlap syndrome.

Biologic treatments for severe asthma offer a lot of promise, but these personalized treatments can be complicated. Attend biologic-focused sessions to find out what role these new treatments and techniques play, each new drug’s advantages and disadvantages, and how to deal with complications. “Biologics in Practice: Unique Opportunity for Allergist Expertise” and “Altering the Natural History of Allergist Diseases,” take place on Saturday, while “Severe Asthma: Persistent Challenges; New Therapies” takes place on Sunday.

The workshops are designed to keep you on the cutting-edge of the specialty. On Friday, learn the latest techniques and novel therapeutics for tough rhinosinusitis at “Difficult to Control Rhinosinusitis: What The Experts Do.” Saturday, see how to handle tricky drug allergies during “Delayed Hypersensitivity Drug Reactions: Dilemmas In Diagnosis and Treatment.” On Sunday, choose from “Are You Ready for SCID Newborn Screening?” “Skin and Lungs After 65,” “Diagnostic Tests for Food Allergy: Is Component Testing Ready for Prime Time?” or “All About Vaccines: Diagnosis, Management and Events.” Some of our most interesting workshops kick off on Monday, with new topics like “Alcohol and Additive Allergies,” “Enhancing the Survival of Allergists: Facing Current Challenges Including Changing Markets and ACO,” and “Navigating the Vapors.”

Maintenance of Certification (MOC) continues to grow in importance, and we’re offering more ways for attendees to get the information and tools needed to meet the requirements. Sunday, attend the symposium “ABAI/MOC: More than Meeting the Test.” What does it mean to be an ABAI Diplomate? What’s the best way to walk the MOC path? How does ‘the big picture’ of MOC affect you? You can get all of your questions answered straight from Mark Corbett, MD, FACAAI; Lois Nora, MD, ABMS president and CEO; Charles Siegel, MD, FACAAI; Brett Stanaland, MD, FACAAI; and Stephen Wasserman, MD, ABAI president.

Do you know how to navigate the changing fields of quality and compliance measures? The health care landscape is shifting dramatically – with EHR, ICD-10, PQRS, the repeal of SGR – and so much more. What does this mean for practicing allergists? Join us at the Town Hall meeting on Friday, and you’ll walk away with what you need to know.

Your favorite classics are still part of the meeting. The Great Raft Debate will feature the “Hottest Topic in EoE” on Saturday, moderated by William Dolen, MD, FACAAI and Maeve O’Connor, MD, FACAAI. We already have a great line-up of debaters, Elizabeth Erwin, MD, Amal Assa’ad, MD, FACAAI, Jonathan Spergel, MD, PhD, FACAAI, and Gailen Marshall, MD, PhD, FACAAI. And on Saturday evening the FIT Bowl will feature two-person teams of Fellows-in-Training going head to head in a fast-paced, college bowl environment where they must answer questions regarding topics in allergy, immunology, botany and the history of our profession. Don’t miss these outstanding events.

And remember to leave time in your schedule for all the fun events where you can reconnect with friends – and make new ones. Celebrate the achievements of your colleagues during the Awards Ceremony on Saturday, and then join me for the President’s Welcome Reception right after. Sunday, rock out with Grammy Award-winners Blood, Sweat & Tears, featuring American Idol finalist Bo Bice. Join us for the full evening with a cocktail reception and plated dinner, new this year, ‘show only’ tickets.

This meeting has new twists on your favorite classic sessions – and more new topics than ever before. When you return from the meeting, you’ll be equipped with new tools and ideas you can immediately start implementing in your practice. Refreshed from the sunny San Antonio weather, with new skills in practice management, food allergy and more, you will be the perfect example of someone who practices excellence, every day.
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Register Online at acaai.org
Housing Information
The ACAAI Annual Meeting will be held at the Henry B. Gonzalez Convention Center and the Grand Hyatt Hotel. The convention hotels include the Grand Hyatt (Headquarters Hotel), Marriott Rivercenter and the Marriott Riverwalk hotels. All hotels are within walking distance to the Convention Center.

Hotel reservations must be made through the ACAAI Housing Bureau either online, by phone, fax or mail using the housing form. A credit card guarantee is required. The hotels will not accept reservations directly.

Hotel Room Rates:
Grand Hyatt Hotel  
$230 Single / Double (+16.75% tax)  
(Headquarters Hotel – Adjacent to Convention Center)

Marriott Rivercenter Hotel  
$229 Single & $249 Double (+16.75% tax)  
(1 block from Convention Center)

Marriott Riverwalk Hotel  
$229 Single & $249 Double (+16.75% tax)  
(Across the street from Convention Center)
**Balcony upgrades available at $20 additional per night.

For best availability, make your reservation at:
- Internet:  
  https://resweb.passkey.com/go/8a167703
- Phone:  
  (210) 207-6734  
  Monday – Friday 8:00 am – 5:00 pm CT
- Fax:  
  Fax a completed housing form, one form per room, to (210) 207-6702
- Mail:  
  Mail a completed housing form to:  
  ACAAI Housing Bureau  
  203 S. St. Mary’s Street, Suite 200  
  San Antonio, TX 78205

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For additional housing questions, please call the ACAAI Housing Bureau at (210) 207-6734 or email to housing@visitsanantonio.com.

The deadline for reservations is Thursday, October 1, 2015.

Hotel reservations / rate availability are not guaranteed after the room block is full or after October 1, 2015. Please register early – only a limited number of rooms are available at each hotel.

Child Care Services
Please contact the concierge at the hotel at which you are staying for a list of bonded independent babysitters and babysitting agencies. Note: Children under 12 are not admitted to the Scientific Sessions or the exhibit area.

AACA Official Travel Agency
To book your airline reservation, call ACAAI’s official travel agency, Uniglobe Preferred Travel, at 1-800-626-0359 and after the prompt dial “0” (M-F 8:30 am – 5:30 pm CST). If you prefer you may:
- Book your travel online at www.uniglobepreferred.com.
  Click on the “down arrow” under the Business Travel tab and then click on Rapid-Rez link. When the booking page comes up, click on “Create New User”. Enter personal information, click “done”; the next page is for more detailed personal information – here you must enter a credit card number and billing address to make a reservation. Scroll down and click “Save”. Click on the “Travel Planner” tab to make a reservation and select ACAAI for the “Trip Reason”. Please record your User ID and your Password for future use.

Discount fares are automatically displayed on this site and booking on this site will have a reduced agency service fee of $15.

Registration Information
Your registration fee includes access to Plenary, Symposia, Concurrent Sessions, Exhibit Hall and various social events. It does not include the optional International Food Allergy Symposium, Literature Review, Fundraising Dinner, Meet the Professor Breakfasts, Workshops or other courses with a separate registration fee.

Because of limited seating capacity, admission to all general sessions and symposia will be on a first-come, first-served basis. Pre-registration is not required unless otherwise noted.

To register for the meeting, click here.

Exhibit Hours
Friday, November 6, 3:00 – 6:00 pm  
PM refreshment break in the exhibit hall

Saturday, November 7, 9:45 am – 4:30 pm  
AM and PM refreshment breaks in the exhibit hall

Sunday, November 8, 9:45 am – 2:00 pm  
AM refreshment break in the exhibit hall

San Antonio Information
Discover what there is to see and do in San Antonio.  
www.visitsanantonio.com/2015acaai

Temperature
The average temperature in November ranges from a low of 50°F to a high of 72°F.
This activity is supported by educational grants from commercial interests. Complete information will be provided to participants prior to the activity.

Target Audience
- All practicing allergists/immunologists
- Fellows in allergy/immunology training programs
- Primary care physicians who care for allergy patients
- Allied health professionals in the field of allergy and immunology

Overall Educational Objectives
At the conclusion of this activity, participants should be able to:
- Identify major advances in key areas of cutting edge research in immunologic mechanisms and allergic responses, including anaphylaxis and pathophysiology of the upper airways, lungs, eyes, skin and gastrointestinal tract
- Demonstrate knowledge of basic processes linking molecular and cellular biology and genetics with allergic pathophysiology and immunodeficiency
- Translate emerging clinical science principles to clinical practice in patients with allergic and immunologic diseases
- Evaluate and implement state-of-the-art diagnostic and therapeutic strategies for treating patients with allergic and immunologic diseases
- Explain the impact of environmental exposures and external influences on patients with allergic disorders
- Recognize emerging trends in the prevalence of allergic and immunologic disorders and discuss their impact on public health
- Evaluate the impact of new diagnostic and therapeutic strategies on health care costs and outcomes
- Discuss processes, tools and technologies for the efficient allergy and immunology practice

Accreditation and Designation
The American College of Allergy, Asthma & Immunology (ACAAI) is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

The American College of Allergy, Asthma & Immunology (ACAAI) designates this live activity for a maximum of 39.0 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

This continuing medical education activity has been reviewed by the American Academy of Pediatrics and is acceptable for a maximum of 39.0 AAP credits. These credits can be applied toward the AAP CME/CPD Award available to Fellows and Candidate Members of the American Academy of Pediatrics.

MOC Designated Sessions
NEW: We have expanded the number and type of MOC offerings to include plenaries and symposia in addition to workshops.

SIMPLIFIED: This year, in collaboration with the Program Committee, faculty and the ABAI, the College has streamlined the process for earning MOC credit at select sessions. The new procedure simply requires your attendance for the entirety of the designated session and participation in BOTH the pretest and the posttest using a keypad. Participation for MOC credit is on a first come, first serve basis – no exceptions. You must:
- arrive prior to the start of the session and pick up a keypad. Follow the instructions for entering your identification.
- answer all 4 pretest AND all 4 posttest questions on your keypad.
- attend the entire session.
- turn in your keypad at the end of the session.

Special Needs
In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, ACAAI requests that participants in need of special accommodation submit a written request to ACAAI well in advance.
Through its responsibility to provide quality CME to its membership, the ACAAI continues its support of the ABAI, which credentials and evaluates allergy and immunology specialists. Linking the education content of the ACAAI Annual Scientific Meetings to the MOC® program is one way ACAAI helps its members provide ABAI with evidence of their commitment to lifelong learning. Ultimately, CME activities for which MOC® credit is awarded may be cross-referenced to the ABAI examination content outline, available on the ABAI website: www.abai.org. Members are encouraged to select areas of interest from the program, which will enhance their knowledge of state-of-the-art allergy/immunology and improve the quality of patient care. The six core competencies include:

1. **Patient Care** – the ability to provide patient care that is compassionate, appropriate, and effective for the treatment of health problems and the promotion of health.
2. **Medical Knowledge** – the knowledge about established and evolving biomedical, clinical, and cognate sciences and the application of this knowledge to patient care.
3. **Practice-based Learning and Improvement** – the ability to investigate and evaluate patient care practices, appraise and assimilate scientific evidence, and improve their patient care practices.
4. **Interpersonal and Communication Skills** – the ability to demonstrate interpersonal and communication skills that result in effective information exchange and collaboration with patients, their families, and other health professionals.
5. **Professionalism** – reflects a commitment to carrying out professional responsibilities, adherence to ethical principles, and sensitivity to a diverse patient population.
6. **System-based Practice** – an awareness of and responsiveness to the larger context and system of health care, and the ability to call effectively on other resources in the system to provide optimal health care.

**MOC/CME Sessions**

The American Board of Allergy & Immunology (ABAI) will award MOC Part II credits to diplomates who appropriately complete any of the thirteen selected sessions and are currently enrolled in ABAI’s Maintenance of Certification (MOC) program.

Special note regarding MOC/CME eligibility for selected sessions: To be eligible for MOC Part II credit, participants must participate in the entire session and complete all necessary components, including brief Pre/Post Tests via ARS onsite as well as the usual CME Evaluation online. ACAAI will submit to ABAI the required MOC-eligibility reports. ABAI will then enter MOC Part II credits onto the ABAI web portal page equal to the amount of AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™ earned for the session. ABAI suggests that 6 of the 25 CME credits in allergy/immunology earned annually by diplomates be in self-assessment sessions such as these.

It is imperative that participants must participate in the entire workshop and complete all necessary components, as partial credits will not be permitted for MOC eligibility related to MOC/CME sessions. (Faculty are not eligible for credit related to a session at which they teach.)

**Please ARRIVE PRIOR to the start of an MOC/CME session! On-time attendance is required in order to participate in the Pre/Post Tests at the start and end of each of these MOC/CME sessions, as indicated in the Program Guide:**

- **Plenary** Biologics in Practice: Unique Opportunity for Allergist Expertise
- **Symposium** Altering the Natural History of Allergic Diseases With Immunotherapy
- **Workshop** Severe Asthma
- **Workshop** Food Allergies: What’s New in Prevention and Treatment
- **Plenary** Controversial Manifestations of Contact Dermatitis
- **Plenary** Human Microbiome: The Interface of Immunology and Microbiology
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- **Workshop** Living With an Itch: A Practical Approach to Diagnosis and Treatment
- **Workshop** Approach to Eosinophilic Esophagitis and Other Swallowing Disorders
- **Plenary** Food Allergy: Component Testing, CoFAR Studies, Practical Considerations
- **Plenary** Updates in Severe Asthma
- **Workshop** Unanswerable Questions: Conundrums in Anaphylaxis
- **Plenary** Update on Anaphylaxis
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International Food Allergy Symposium

Thursday, November 5

Separate Registration Fee • Admission by Ticket Only • Register online or forms available at www.acaai.org

Co-Chairs: Amal H. Assa’ad, MD, FACAAI and Sami L. Bahna, MD, DrPH, FACAAI

8:00 am Welcome and Introductions
Bryan L. Martin, DO, FACAAI

8:15 – 10:00 am Manifestations
Moderators: Sami L. Bahna, MD, DrPH, FACAAI and Helen Hei-ling Chan, MD, FACAAI

Description
These presentations will review: 1) food allergy and possible mechanisms of how it is caused and how it is treated; 2) treatment options and diagnostic criteria for EoE and FPIES; and 3) the mechanisms and risk factors predisposing a patient to life-threatening allergic reactions.

8:15 am Deciphering the Black Box of Food Allergy Mechanisms
Kari C. Nadeau, MD, PhD

8:45 am Update on Non-IgE Food Allergies
Jonathan M. Spergel, MD, PhD, FACAAI

9:15 am Anaphylaxis Mechanism as Relates to Food Allergy
Peter Vadas, MD, PhD

9:45 am Questions and Discussion

Learning Objectives
Upon completion of this session, participants should be able to:
• Distinguish the various pathophysiologic and immunologic pathways that lead to food allergy
• Diagnose and manage the non-IgE mediated food allergies, as exemplified in FPIES and eosinophilic esophagitis
• Apply the knowledge of the latest mechanisms of anaphylaxis to the diagnosis and management of patients

10:00 am Refreshment Break

10:15 am – noon Diagnosis
Moderators: Karen A. Freedle, MD, FACAAI and Mary C. Tobin, MD, FACAAI

Description
These presentations will cover: 1) seafood classification, seafood allergens, cross-reactivities of seafood, diagnosis of seafood allergy and medical disorders mimicking seafood allergy; 2) the most up-to-date and practical approach to diagnosis of food allergy utilizing diagnostic tests that are clinically available and others that are still in the research arena; and 3) current and potential future diagnostic modalities for eosinophilic esophagitis.

10:15 am Not Every Seafood “Allergy” is Allergy!
Sami L. Bahna, MD, DrPH, FACAAI

10:45 am What is New in Food Allergy Diagnostics?
Amal H. Assa’ad, MD, FACAAI

11:15 am ACAAI-Supported Research: Current and Potential New Diagnostic Tests for EoE
Kelly M. Maples, MD, FACAAI

11:45 am Questions and Discussion

Learning Objectives
Upon completion of this session, participants should be able to:
• Identify and manage all forms of seafood allergy
• Utilize diagnostic techniques such as component testing and food challenges in the management of patients with food allergy
• Discuss updates on research and clinical diagnostic methods of eosinophilic esophagitis

Noon Lunch Break (on own) and Poster Viewing
1:15 – 3:00 pm
**Dietary Management**

Moderators: Amal H. Assa’ad, MD, FACAAI and Matthew Greenhawt, MD, MBA, MSc, FACAAI

**Description**
These presentations will review: 1) the GLAD-p guidelines, produced by WAO, which present information on the possible role of probiotics and prebiotics in allergy prevention; and 2) the role of the dietitian in taking a food allergy focused diet history, developing food challenge recipes and protocols, managing the nutritional aspects of food allergy and monitoring growth and development in children, and finally their emerging role in designing foods suitable for oral immunotherapy.

1:15 pm  
**The Role of Prebiotics and Probiotics in Food Allergy**  
Alessandro Fiocchi, MD, FACAAI (SC)

1:45 pm  
**Diet for Food Allergy Diagnosis and Treatment**  
Carina Venter, PhD, RD

2:15 pm  
**Abstract Presentation #1**  
TBD

2:30 pm  
**Abstract Presentation #2**  
TBD

2:45 pm  
**Questions and Discussion**

**Learning Objectives**
Upon completion of this session, participants should be able to:
- Utilize probiotics in the prevention and treatment of the atopic disorders where they have been shown to be effective
- Design balanced dietary interventions for the diagnosis and treatment of various food allergies

3:00 pm  
**Refreshment Break**

3:15 – 5:00 pm
**Food Allergy Prevention and Management**

Moderators: Sami L. Bahna, MD, DrPH, FACAAI and Theresa A. Bingemann, MD, FACAAI

**Description**
These presentations will review: 1) how numerous interactions may take place between medications and proper food processing in the intestine, ranging from non-digestion such as during anti-ulcer medication, or antibiotics intake changing the composition of the flora and how all may support sensitization to food as well as affect the threshold levels in already sensitized patients; possible interference of acetaminophen and vitamins with food allergy risk will also be discussed; and 2) a discussion of the latest in the development of a treatment for food allergy, including oral, sublingual and epicutaneous immunotherapy.

3:15 pm  
**Are Medications Increasing the Development of Food Allergy?**  
Prof. Dr. Erika Jensen-Jarolim

3:45 pm  
**Abstract Presentation #3**  
TBD

4:00 pm  
**Abstract Presentation #4**  
TBD

4:15 pm  
**Luisa Businco Memorial Lecture**  
The Latest on Food Allergy Immunotherapy  
A. Wesley Burks, MD, FACAAI

4:45 pm  
**Questions and Discussion**

**Learning Objectives**
Upon completion of this session, participants should be able to:
- Identify the risk factors for the development of food allergy that applies to their patient and design interventions to reduce the risk
- Inform their patients of the latest research endeavors on various methods of food allergy immunotherapy and the outcomes

5:00 pm  
**Adjourn**
Annual Literature Review

Friday, November 6

Everything You Should Have Read Last Year, But Didn’t!

Separate Registration Fee • Admission by Ticket Only • Register online or forms available at www.acaai.org
(You must be registered for the Annual Scientific Meeting to enroll in the Annual Literature Review)

To help you keep abreast of the latest clinical developments in allergy and immunology, ACAAI will continue its highly successful Literature Review program. It’s a review of the most important, clinically focused literature of our specialty published between October 2014 and August 2015, with emphasis on clinical relevance. Faculty includes allergy/immunology training program directors and specialists in practice.

7:30 – 11:30 am
Moderator: James T. Li, MD, PhD, FACAAI

7:30 am  Basic Immunology  2 5 6
Mitchell H. Grayson, MD, FACAAI

8:00 am  Update on Antimicrobials, Infectious Diseases and Vaccines  1 2 3
Chitra Dinakar, MD, FACAAI

8:30 am  Update in Clinical Immunology  1 2 3
John M. Routes, MD, FACAAI

9:00 am  Asthma and Lower Respiratory Diseases  1 2
James T. Li, MD, PhD, FACAAI

9:30 am  Refreshment Break

9:45 am  Update on Skin Diseases: Urticaria, Angioedema and Other Skin Disorders  1 2 3
Marc A. Riedl, MD, MS

10:15 am  Update in Pediatric Allergy  1 2
John M. Kelso, MD, FACAAI

10:45 am  Anaphylaxis, Drug Allergy and Stinging Insect Hypersensitivity  1 2 3 6
Anthony Montanaro, MD, FACAAI

11:15 am  Questions and Discussion

11:30 am  Lunch Break (on own)

12:30 – 3:30 pm
Moderator: David A. Khan, MD, FACAAI

12:30 pm  Immunotherapy  1 2
Harold S. Nelson, MD, FACAAI

1:00 pm  Food Allergy  1 3
Matthew Greenhawt, MD, MBA, MSc, FACAAI

1:30 pm  Occupational and Environmental Allergy  1 2
Mark S. Dykewicz, MD, FACAAI

2:00 pm  Refreshment Break

2:15 pm  Rhinitis and Sinusitis  1
Anju T. Peters, MD

2:45 pm  The Year’s Best Articles  1 2
David A. Khan, MD, FACAAI

3:15 pm  Questions and Discussion

3:30 pm  Adjourn

Learning Objectives
Upon completion of this session, participants should be able to:

• Discuss recent developments in basic immunology in relation to allergic disorders
• Describe recent developments in infectious diseases, antimicrobials, and vaccines
• Discuss recent developments in clinical immunology
• Better diagnose and manage asthma and COPD
• Discuss important scientific and clinical advances in the pathophysiology and treatment of urticaria, angioedema, and other skin disorders
• Apply practical lessons learned from recent literature in pediatric allergy, asthma and immunology

• Identify new concepts in anaphylaxis, drug allergy and stinging insect hypersensitivity, as well as utilize clinically relevant findings in these areas
• Describe recent developments in immunotherapy
• Discuss recent developments in food and additives allergy
• Better counsel patients on environmental factors that may impact respiratory and allergic disease, and better recognize, diagnose and manage occupational allergic diseases
• Describe recent developments in rhinitis and sinusitis
• Apply practical lessons learned from recent literature in allergy, asthma and immunology

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Friday, November 6

8:30 – 10:30 am
Breakfast Symposium
Triumvirate of Parameters for Allergic Skin Diseases
Moderator: Stephen A. Tilles, MD, FACAAI

Description
These presentations will review: 1) the diagnosis and management of chronic urticaria/angioedema based on best evidence; 2) the rationale for the Atopic Dermatitis Practice Parameter update and address key parts of the management algorithm; and 3) highlights of the 2015 Practice Parameters for Contact Dermatitis.

8:30 am Welcome and Introductions
Stephen A. Tilles, MD, FACAAI

8:35 am Urticaria
David M. Lang, MD, FACAAI

9:05 am Atopic Dermatitis
Mark Boguniewicz, MD, FACAAI

9:35 am Contact Dermatitis
Luz S. Fonacier, MD, FACAAI

10:05 am Questions and Discussion

10:30 am Adjourn

Learning Objectives
Upon completion of this session, participants should be able to:
• Describe important identifiable causes of chronic urticaria that warrant further diagnostic work-up and discuss evidence basis for, and appropriate uses of, anti-IgE therapy for idiopathic chronic urticaria
• Discuss practice parameter summary statements regarding the management of refractory atopic dermatitis
• Describe proper use of patch testing and implications for management

11:30 am – 1:15 pm
Luncheon Symposium
Hereditary Angioedema: Management Challenges
Moderator: Richard G. Gower, MD, FACAAI

Description
These presentations will review: 1) the important principles in the management of HAE due to C1INH deficiency as outlined by published evidence-based practice parameters; and 2) the diagnosis and treatment of HAE with normal C1INH and ambiguity in diagnostic criteria will be addressed.

11:30 am Welcome and Introductions
Richard G. Gower, MD, FACAAI

11:35 am Approach to HAE Type 1 and Type 2: What Do the Practice Parameters Say?
Marc A. Riedl, MD, MS

12:05 pm HAE With Normal C1 Inhibitor: What to Do
Bruce L. Zuraw, MD, FACAAI

12:35 pm Cases and Panel Discussion
Richard G. Gower, MD, FACAAI

1:05 pm Questions and Discussion

1:15 pm Adjourn

Learning Objectives
Upon completion of this session, participants should be able to:
• Recognize the clinical presentations of HAE and how to distinguish it from histamine mediated angioedema
• Appropriately determine in whom to prescribe prophylactic HAE therapy
• Discuss the risks, benefits, and costs of available HAE treatments
Symposia

1:30 – 3:30 pm
Symposium
Asthma, COPD and Asthma-COPD Overlap Syndrome (ACOS)

Moderator: David I. Bernstein, MD, FACAAI

Description
These presentations will cover the following topics:
1) although airway obstruction characterizes emphysema, chronic bronchitis and asthma, considerable overlap exists in these syndromes; the definition of these common diseases is complicated by the fact that significant numbers of patients are exposed to cigarette smoke; in addition, pre-existing asthma may predispose patients to the development of COPD when exposed to tobacco smoke or biomass exhaust; and that the development of novel therapeutic approaches to improve outcomes are critical to decrease morbidity and mortality associated with ACOS; 2) physiologic changes associated with the aging lung and patients with ACOS, their clinical characteristics including similarities and differences, and approach to their treatment; and 3) an overview of the prevalence and impact of comorbidities in patients with ACOS.

1:30 pm Welcome and Introductions
David I. Bernstein, MD, FACAAI

1:35 pm Chronic Airway Obstruction: What Does That Mean?
Defining and Categorizing ACOS
Reynold A. Panettieri, Jr., MD

2:05 pm Appropriate Use of New Therapeutic Agents and ACOS
Stephen P. Peters, MD, PhD

2:35 pm The Impact of Comorbidities on the Clinical Course of ACOS
Nicola A. Hanania, MBBS

3:05 pm Questions and Discussion

3:30 pm Adjourn

Learning Objectives
Upon completion of this session, participants should be able to:
• Recognize that asthma, like COPD, can be an irreversible lung disease in both children and adults and be able to institute appropriate measures to slow this decline
• Manage exacerbations in patients with asthma/COPD overlap syndrome (ACOS), and assess when, and if, such patients should be referred to another specialist for further care
• Discuss the comorbidities that occur in patients with asthma/ COPD overlap syndrome (ACOS) and be able to manage them

4:00 – 6:00 pm
Symposium
Managing Non-Infectious Complications of Common Variable Immunodeficiency

Moderator: Gerald B. Lee, MD

Description
These presentations will review: 1) how to recognize and treat the pulmonary complications of common variable immunodeficiency; 2) how to recognize and treat the autoimmune complications of common variable immunodeficiency; and 3) the description of malignancies associated with common variable immunodeficiency diseases.

4:00 pm Welcome and Introductions
Gerald B. Lee, MD

4:05 pm Managing Pulmonary Complications of Common Variable Immunodeficiency
John M. Routes, MD, FACAAI

4:35 pm Managing Autoimmune Complications of Common Variable Immunodeficiency
Anthony Montanaro, MD, FACAAI

5:05 pm Recognizing Malignancies Associated With Common Variable Immunodeficiency
William T. Shearer, MD, PhD

5:35 pm Questions and Discussion

6:00 pm Adjourn

Learning Objectives
Upon completion of this session, participants should be able to:
• Recognize and treat the pulmonary complications of common variable immunodeficiency
• Recognize and treat the autoimmune complications of common variable immunodeficiency
• Describe malignancies associated with common variable immunodeficiency diseases
General Sessions

Friday, November 6

4:00 – 6:00 pm
House of Delegates Meeting and Town Hall Forum
All Meeting Attendees Are Welcome!
Beer, Wine and Cheese Reception

The HOD Town Hall Meeting will begin with an informal networking session, giving you the opportunity to discuss issues with colleagues, Delegates and the ACAAI leadership.

The first part of the agenda will cover the business meeting. Then expert speakers will lead energized discussions on topics you have requested, including:

- Introduction of the New HOD Structure and the Annual Report to Delegates by Kathleen R. May, MD, FACAAI, Speaker of HOD
- An Advocacy Council Update by J. Allen Meadows, MD, FACAAI, Chair of the Advocacy Council
- Washington Update: What Repeal of the SGR Means to Allergists by Bill Finerfrock, Chief Governmental Affairs Consultant at Capitol Associates
- And much more

Other Friday Activities

8:00 am – 3:30 pm
Office Administrators Practice Management Course

8:00 am – 4:45 pm
Advanced Practice Health Care Providers Course

3:00 – 6:00 pm
Exhibit Hall Open

3:30 – 4:00 pm
Break in Exhibit Hall

3:30 – 5:30 pm
FIT Educational Program

4:00 – 6:00 pm
Workshops (see page 29 for full details)
W1 Insect Allergy Update
W2 Difficult to Control Rhinosinusitis: What the Experts Do
W3 Drug Allergy: Options Beyond Avoidance – Where the Allergist Matters
W4 Technology (Tablets/Gadgets and Apps): An Integral Part of Patient Care
W5 Food Challenges in Practice

4:45 – 6:00 pm
Advanced Practice, Allied Health and Office Administrators Networking Reception

5:30 – 6:30 pm
FIT General Meeting

6:00 – 7:30 pm
Corporate Forum

6:00 – 9:30 pm
American Association of Allergists and Immunologists of Indian Origin Annual Scientific Meeting and Dinner Symposium

6:30 – 7:30 pm
FIT Welcome Reception

8:00 – 9:30 pm
Corporate Forum
General Sessions

Saturday, November 7

Opening Ceremony and Welcome Announcements
8:00 – 8:30 am
James L. Sublett, MD, FACAAI, ACAAI President
Bryan L. Martin, DO, FACAAI, ACAAI President-Elect and Program Chair
Mrs. Judy Fineman, Alliance President

8:30 – 10:30 am
Plenary Session MOC/CME
Biologics in Practice: Unique Opportunity for Allergist Expertise
Moderators: Rohit K. Katial, MD, FACAAI and James L. Sublett, MD, FACAAI

Description
These presentations will review: 1) recent advances in our understanding of immune mechanisms of asthma including roles of epithelial cells and epithelial cell derived cytokines and novel immune cell types including ILC2, ILC3, iNKT cells, gd cells, and Th17 cells; 2) the therapeutic potential of immune response modifiers (IRMs); discussion of strategies to optimize treatment with IRMs including the role of personalized medicine; and discuss patient-specific features that can influence IRMs therapeutic benefits; and 3) presentations and management of hypersensitivity reactions to biologics.

8:30 am
Welcome and Introductions
Rohit K. Katial, MD, FACAAI and James L. Sublett, MD, FACAAI

8:35 am
Update in the Immunology of Asthma
Larry Borish, MD, FACAAI

9:05 am
Characterization of Asthma Endotypes: Implications for Therapy
Thomas B. Casale, MD, FACAAI

9:35 am
Adverse Reactions to Biologic Agents
David A. Khan, MD, FACAAI

10:05 am
Questions and Discussion

10:30 am
Adjourn

Learning Objectives
Upon completion of this session, participants should be able to:
• Discuss phenotypes and endotypes in the context of the patient with severe asthma
• Describe the relative advantages and disadvantages associated with various asthma pharmacotherapies, particularly biologics
• Discuss the side effect profiles of the various new therapies and how to go about handling such complications

11:00 am – 12:30 pm
Plenary Session
The Sky Is Not Falling: Flourishing Despite Tectonic Shifts to U.S. Health Care
Moderator: Bryan L. Martin, DO, FACAAI

Description
These presentations will: 1) review the future trajectory of health care delivery in the US and the impact it is having on physicians; and 2) examine why health care professionals are hardwired to worry and predict what could go wrong, (Darwinian Fitness) establishing the need for each individual to work toward being resilient; and will focus on character typologies inherent in each of us that drive personalities and subsequent behaviors that lead to success but do little to create resilience and ultimately happiness.

11:00 am
Welcome and Introductions
Bryan L. Martin, DO, FACAAI

11:05 am
Lester Mittelstaedt Lecture
Why Creation of Successful “Systems of Care” Is Crucial for Our Future
Mark T. O’Hollaren, MD, FACAAI

11:45 am
Fighting Your Natural Instincts: 10 Steps Toward Building A Resilient Office
Kenneth Yeager, PhD

12:20 pm
Questions and Discussion

12:30 pm
Adjourn

Learning Objectives
Upon completion of this session, participants should be able to:
• Examine reasons for entering health care as a profession and discuss how these factors relate to personal experience
• Demonstrate how health care work and personality characteristics interact to facilitate a natural progression toward burnout and compassion fatigue
• Build a resilient practice utilizing the resilience that can be built into a system of care
General Sessions

Saturday, November 7

1:30 – 3:00 pm

Plenary Session

The Great Raft Debate: Hottest Topic in EoE

Moderators: William K. Dolen, MD, FACAAI
and Maeve E. O’Connor, MD, FACAAI

Description

The presentations in this debate will cover: 1) the fact that the etiology and pathogenesis of eosinophilic esophagitis is very important and should remain on “the raft”; 2) the options for diagnostic testing of patients with EoE and evidence for how to interpret the test results and use them in the care of EoE patients; 3) the various methods proposed for disease monitoring of EoE patients and compare the evidence to determine which method has the greatest reliability; and 4) the optimal therapy for EoE and review the pros and cons of each therapy.

1:30 pm Welcome and Introductions
William K. Dolen, MD, FACAAI and Maeve E. O’Connor, MD, FACAAI

Etiology and Pathogenesis
Amal H. Assa’ad, MD, FACAAI

Diagnostic Testing
Elizabeth A. Erwin, MD

Disease Monitoring
Gailen D. Marshall, MD, PhD, FACAAI

Dietary or Medical Management
Jonathan M. Spergel, MD, PhD, FACAAI

2:45 pm Questions and Discussion

3:00 pm Adjourn

Learning Objectives

Upon completion of this session, participants should be able to:

• Discuss the etiology and pathogenesis of eosinophilic esophagitis
• Recognize the most accurate diagnostic testing and methods for disease monitoring in eosinophilic esophagitis
• Manage exacerbations and maintain homeostasis in patients with eosinophilic esophagitis
• Recognize the most accurate diagnostic testing and methods for disease monitoring in eosinophilic esophagitis

3:30 – 5:30 pm

Symposium

Altering the Natural History of Allergic Diseases With Immunotherapy

Moderator: Chitra Dinakar, MD, FACAAI

Description

These presentations will review: 1) the most current data on the use of SCIT and SLIT to treat respiratory allergies; 2) the current status of immunotherapy for the treatment of food allergy focusing on the risks and benefits of oral, sublingual and epicutaneous immunotherapy, novel forms of immunotherapy in the preclinical stage and their potential benefits over more conventional therapies; and 3) whether allergy practices should offer SLIT to their patients, examine why we offer SLIT in our practice, discuss how SLIT extract is mixed, how the allergist practices charge for the extract, and also pros and cons of SLIT.

3:30 pm Welcome and Introductions
Chitra Dinakar, MD, FACAAI

3:35 pm SCIT and SLIT in Everyday Practice: Current Best Practice
Harold S. Nelson, MD, FACAAI

4:05 pm Immunotherapy for Food: Where Do We Stand?
Kari C. Nadeau, MD, PhD

4:35 pm Controversies of SLIT in Your Practice Today: Therapeutic Modalities, Liabilities, Reimbursement
Stanley M. Fineman, MD, MBA, FACAAI

5:05 pm Questions and Discussion

5:30 pm Adjourn

Learning Objectives

Upon completion of this session, participants should be able to:

• Recognize the similarities and differences in logistics, efficacy, and safety of SLIT and SCIT for inhalant allergies
• Discuss results of recent food allergy immunotherapy clinical trials
• Discuss likely future strategies for performing immunotherapy, including using adjuvants, biologicals and peptides
24th Annual FIT Bowl Competition

5:00 – 7:00 pm
Test your knowledge, sharpen your wits and join in the fun at the dynamic, fast-paced FIT Bowl!
Participating teams from training programs around the country will compete to answer a variety of serious (and, not so serious) questions posed by an expert panel. In 2014, twenty-six teams from the US and Mexico participated at this popular game show.

Awards Ceremony

7:00 – 7:45 pm
The College invites all registrants to the ACAAI Awards Ceremony where we will recognize our 2015 award recipients and formally welcome our newly-approved Fellows.
The event will begin at 7:00 pm with our new Fellows being honored for their accomplishments. We will also recognize the recipients of the ACAAI’s Distinguished Fellow, International Distinguished Fellow, Distinguished Service, Clemens von Pirquet and Woman in Allergy awards.
Finally, we’ll introduce this year’s winner of the College’s prestigious Gold Headed Cane Award.

President’s Welcome Reception

7:45 – 9:00 pm
All registrants are invited to the ACAAI President’s Welcome Reception, which will immediately follow the Awards Ceremony. It’s the perfect place to catch up with old friends, make new acquaintances and meet the ACAAI President, President-Elect and the Alliance President. The event will also feature a live auction.
Plan to join us for this fun-filled event.

Other Saturday Activities

8:00 am – 4:45 pm
Allied Health Professionals Course
9:45 am – 4:30 pm
Exhibit Hall Open
Noon – 1:30 pm
GME Program Directors’ Luncheon
12:30 – 1:30 pm
Product Theater
12:30 – 3:30 pm
Doctors’ Job Fair
3:30 – 4:30 pm
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W13 Allergies in Infants and Very Young Children (Asthma, Cough, Urticaria and Eczema in Children <5 Years)
W14 Delayed Hypersensitivity Drug Reactions: Dilemmas in Diagnosis and Treatment
6:00 – 7:00 pm
Alliance International Reception
General Sessions

Sunday, November 8

6:15 – 8:15 am

Breakfast Symposium

Treatment Strategies for Children Having Both Persistent Allergic Rhinitis and Asthma

Moderator: Dana V. Wallace, MD, FACAAI

Description

These presentations will review: 1) which daily mono and combined medications are immunotherapy options that are most effective in the pediatric population, what works for chronic sinusitis and if treatment should differ for children with or without concurrent asthma; 2) list the reasons that support the use of small particle size inhaled steroids in pediatric asthma, discuss the merits of nebulized vs. MDI vs. dry powder use of inhaled steroids, debate daily vs. dynamic dosing for pediatric patients with persistent but not daily asthma symptoms; and 3) discuss overall safety of nasal and inhaled corticosteroids in pediatrics; list the nasal and inhaled corticosteroids with the best safety profile, explain the published data and expert opinion on the safety of using both products concurrently in pediatric patients; and compare the safety of daily inhaled steroids over intermittent oral burst of steroids.

6:15 am Welcome and Introductions
Dana V. Wallace, MD, FACAAI

6:20 am Persistent Pediatric Upper Airway Inflammation: Effective Management
Eli O. Meltzer, MD, FACAAI

6:55 am Mild/Moderate Persistent Pediatric Asthma: Preferred Particle Size, Delivery Method and Dosing (Daily vs. Dynamic)
David P. Skoner, MD, FACAAI

7:35 am Safety of Using Both Nasal and Inhaled Corticosteroids in Pediatric Patients
Bobby Q. Lanier, MD, FACAAI

8:05 am Questions and Discussion

Learning Objectives

Upon completion of this session, participants should be able to:

• Discuss which daily mono and combined medications and immunotherapy options are most effective in the pediatric population for persistent allergic rhinitis; explain what works for chronic sinusitis in the pediatric population; and debate if treatment should be different for children with or without concurrent asthma

• List the reasons that support, or lack thereof, for the use of small particle size inhaled steroids in pediatric asthma; discuss the merits of nebulized vs. MDI vs. dry powder use of inhaled steroids in the pediatric patient (age 6 and older); and debate daily vs. dynamic dosing for pediatric asthmatics with "persistent" but not daily asthma symptoms

8:30 – 10:00 am

Plenary Session

Controversial Manifestations of Contact Dermatitis

Moderator: Luz S. Fonacier, MD, FACAAI

Description

These presentations will review: 1) manifestations of allergic reactions to implanted metal devices, the controversies regarding this and the appropriate work up for these patients; 2) the challenging diagnostic and management issues in evaluating patients with putative allergy to vascular, dental and gynecologic devices; and 3) how to identify other causes of dermatitis with generalized distribution.

8:30 am Welcome and Introductions
Luz S. Fonacier, MD, FACAAI

8:35 am Hypersensitivity to Orthopedic Biomedical Devices
Peter Schalock, MD

9:00 am Hypersensitivity to Cardiovascular, Dental and Gynecological Devices
James S. Taylor, MD

9:25 am Systemic Contact Dermatitis Beyond Metals
David E. Cohen, MD

9:50 am Questions and Discussion

10:00 am Adjourn

Learning Objectives

Upon completion of this session, participants should be able to:

• Discuss the relationship between metal hypersensitivity and prosthetic joint failure

• Discuss similarities and differences in allergic reactions to cardiovascular, dental and gynecologic medical devices

• Identify other causes of dermatitis with generalized distribution such as systemic contact dermatitis to drugs, food and fragrances
11:00 am – 12:30 pm
Plenary Session  
**Human Microbiome: The Interface of Immunology and Microbiology**

**Moderator:** Michael B. Foggs, MD, FACAAI

**Description**
These presentations will review: 1) the role of microbiome in the pathogenesis of asthma, related traits and other inflammatory disease; 2) how gut microbiota dysbiosis contributes to aberrant immune development and the development of allergic disease and asthma; and 3) how asthma is a heterogeneous disease with differing clinical and inflammatory phenotypes, especially among adults; to include discussion of recent observations of airway dysbiosis in asthma and relationships to phenotypic features of the disease, including possible treatment implications.

11:00 am  Welcome and Introductions
Michael B. Foggs, MD, FACAAI

11:05 am  Modulation of the Gut Microbiota for Treatment and Prevention of Non-Communicable Inflammatory Diseases
Fernando D. Martinez, MD

11:30 am  The Microbiome in the Development of Allergic Disease in Asthma
Lanny J. Rosenwasser, MD, FACAAI

11:55 am  Microbiome Diversity: Asthma and Allergy Risks and Treatment Implications
Yvonne Huang, MD

12:20 pm  Questions and Discussion

12:30 pm  Adjourn

**Learning Objectives**
Upon completion of this session, participants should be able to:
- Discuss facets of modulation of gut microbiota that lead to disruption of host-microorganism homeostasis and contributes to the development of non-communicable inflammatory diseases.
- Explain how gut microbiota dysbiosis contributes to aberrant immune development and the development of allergic disease and asthma.
- Discuss the implications of gut microbiota modification for treatment and prevention of allergic disease and asthma.
### General Sessions

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**Description**
These presentations will review: 1) information about professional self-regulation with a focus on Board Certification and recent changes in Maintenance of Certification that make the program more accessible and relevant to physician; 2) ABAI’s MOC program in context with the rapidly changing medical landscape, and insight into how the program is developed and modified over time; the value proposition for ABAI’s MOC program will be addressed and attendees will gain a better understanding into how the ABAI secure examination is constructed; and 3) the ways to prepare and allocate time and effort in order to successfully complete the MOC process.

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Upon completion of this session, participants should be able to:
- Summarize the leading hypotheses regarding mechanisms for why severe asthma is treatment resistant
- Discuss which patients will be appropriate candidates for new severe asthma therapies
- Discuss how to obtain new asthma therapies for their patients

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**Severe Asthma: Persistent Challenges; New Therapies**
Moderator: John J. Oppenheimer, MD, FACAAI

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General Sessions

Monday, November 9

8:00 – 9:30 am

Plenary Session (MOC/CME)
Food Allergy: Component Testing, CoFAR Studies, Practical Considerations
Moderator: Maeve E. O’Connor, MD, FACAAI

Description
These presentations will review: 1) new findings regarding early complementary feeding as a method of risk reduction for the development of food allergy; 2) presentation of important study results from CoFAR over the last 10 years, focusing on OIT, SLIT, and natural history of food allergy; discussion of where we need to go based on these studies with respect to food allergy research in the coming decade; and 3) the burden that food allergy places on families and patients.

8:00 am  Welcome and Introductions
   Maeve E. O’Connor, MD, FACAAI

8:05 am  Screening Food Skin Tests in Infants: To LEAP or Not to LEAP
   Matthew Greenhawt, MD, MBA, MSc, FACAAI

8:30 am  CoFAR Update: What Have We Learned and Where Do We Need To Go?
   David M. Fleischer, MD, FACAAI

8:55 am  Burden of Food Allergy Beyond Anaphylaxis
   Ruchi Gupta, MD, MPH

9:20 am  Questions and Discussion

9:30 am  Adjourn

Learning Objectives
Upon completion of this session, participants should be able to:
• Identify and advise families with children who are at high risk of developing food allergy
• Discuss treatment options for patients who already have developed food allergy
• Monitor the burden of food allergy on families

10:30 am – noon

Plenary Session (MOC/CME)
Updates in Severe Asthma
Moderator: Gerald B. Lee, MD

Description
These presentations will review: 1) how basic science research has identified distinct pathophysiological endotypes in severe asthma; 2) the use of biomarkers and other tools to categorize the endotype of a severe asthma patient in the allergy/immunology clinic and indicate how these techniques have the potential to improve the care of patients with severe asthma; and 3) examination of the practical approaches currently available for patients not controlled on Step 4 Therapy and look at the role of biologics that will become available in the future of this patient population.

10:30 am  Welcome and Introductions
   Gerald B. Lee, MD

10:35 am  Understanding Severe Asthma: A View From the Bench
   Elliot Israel, MD

11:00 am  Appropriate Immunologic and Physiologic Assessment of Severe Asthma
   Stephen P. Peters, MD, PhD

11:25 am  John P. McGovern Lecture
   Developing Precision Treatment for Severe Asthma
   Bradley E. Chipps, MD, FACAAI

11:50 am  Questions and Discussion

Noon  Adjourn

Learning Objectives
Upon completion of this session, participants should be able to:
• Recognize how basic science research has identified distinct pathophysiological endotypes in severe asthma
• Utilize appropriate biomarkers to categorize the endotype of a severe asthma patient in the allergy/immunology clinic
• Design a management plan that is individualized to a severe asthma patient’s particular phenotype and endotype

Annual Business Meeting

9:30 – 10:30 am
James L. Sublett, MD, FACAAI Presiding
All Registrants Invited
General Sessions

Monday, November 9

3:30 – 5:00 pm
Plenary Session MOC/CME
Update on Anaphylaxis
Moderator: Phillip L. Lieberman, MD, FACAAI

Description
These presentations will review: 1) diagnostic criteria of mastocytosis and mast cell activation disorders; 2) updates on and opportunities to help improve emergency department anaphylaxis management; and 3) the difficulty of diagnosis of perioperative allergic reactions due to many differential diagnoses and varying mechanisms behind reactions, an approach to investigation, and the possible causes of perioperative allergic reactions including some important but overlooked causes.

3:30 pm Welcome and Introductions
Philip L. Lieberman, MD, FACAAI

3:35 pm Mast Cell Activating Disorders, Systemic Mastocytosis, Idiopathic Anaphylaxis (A Merging of the Three – Are They All the Same Condition?)
Cem Akin, MD, PhD

4:00 pm Anaphylaxis in the Emergency Department: A Cooperative Management Event Between the Allergist and Emergency Department Physician
Ronna L. Campbell, MD, PhD

4:25 pm I Experienced An Anaphylactic Reaction During Surgery and Need Surgery Again: Anaphylaxis in the Perioperative Period
Lene Heise Garvey, MD

4:50 pm Questions and Discussion

5:00 pm Adjourn

Learning Objectives
Upon completion of this session, participants should be able to:
• Diagnose mast cell activating disorders and distinguish them from idiopathic anaphylaxis, and discern when to do a bone marrow in these conditions
• Facilitate interaction with emergency department physicians to increase the referral for an allergy evaluation after a patient is discharged from the emergency department after an anaphylactic event
• Skin test to discern the causative agent in anaphylaxis occurring during surgery

5:00 pm 2015 Annual Scientific Meeting Adjourns

Other Monday Activities

6:30 – 7:45 am
Meet the Professor Breakfasts
(see pages 27-28 for full details)
M1 Biofilms
M2 Controversies in the Wheezing Pre-Schooler: New Studies
M3 Evaluation of Immunodeficiency
M4 Food Allergy: Controversies in Diagnosis
M5 High Eos and/or High IgEs: How Do You Evaluate?
M6 Infectious Agents and Asthma Inception: Target for Prevention
M7 The Science of the Asthma Action Plan and How to Fulfill Meaningful Use
M8 Office Evaluation of Drug Allergy
M9 Practical Aspects of Sublingual Immunotherapy: Dose/Duration/Specific Allergens/Geographic Niches/Efficacy and Safety
M10 Suspected Reactions to Implanted Medical Devices (Utility of Lab Test)

1:00 – 3:00 pm Concurrent Sessions

1:00 – 3:00 pm Workshops (see pages 33-34 for full details)
W27 Alcohol and Additive Allergies
W28 Enhancing the Survival of Allergists: Facing Current Challenges Including Changing Markets and ACO
W29 Immunotherapy in 2015: The Nuts and Bolts of SCIT and SLIT
W30 Fat Lips and Swollen Throats: What Are the Facts?
W31 Penicillin (Beta-lactam) Toolkit
W32 Systemic Effects of Inhaled, Intranasal and Topical Corticosteroids
W33 Unanswerable Questions: Conundrums in Anaphylaxis
W34 Navigating the Vapors
Meet the Professor Breakfasts

Sunday, November 8

7:00 – 8:15 am

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S1 Eosinophilic Gastrointestinal Disease
Amal H. Assa’ad, MD, FACAAI and Karen A. Freedle, MD, FACAAI
This session will discuss care and management of eosinophilic esophagitis with concentration on the role of the allergist in the disorder.

S2 Evaluation and Management of Difficult Rhinitis and CRS
Larry Borish, MD, FACAAI and Talal M. Nsouli, MD, FACAAI
This session will include discussion of different presentations of CRS including those characterized by prominent eosinophils, neutrophils, those with and without polyps, as well as unique endotypes such as CF, AERD, and AFS and how each of these requires individualized treatment approaches; and approaches to the patient with refractory rhinitis including local allergy (entropy) and neurogenic presentations of rhinitis will also be discussed.

S3 Novel Therapies for Chronic Urticaria and Angioedema
Thomas B. Casale, MD, FACAAI and Sheldon L. Spector, MD, FACAAI
This session will review the licensed and novel therapies for the management of chronic urticaria; therapeutic options for antihistamine-resistant chronic urticaria, including the use of omalizumab in the treatment paradigm and discussion of the pathogenesis of chronic urticaria.

S4 Mast Cell Activation Syndrome
Mariana C. Castells, MD, PhD, FACAAI and Fred H. Hsieh, MD, FACAAI
This session will cover the diagnosis and treatment of mast cell disease, including mast cell activation syndrome.

S5 Treatment of Immunodeficiency
I. Celine Hanson, MD, FACAAI and Gerald B. Lee, MD
This session will cover treatment modalities and care plan development for individuals with primary immune deficiency and how to counsel the immunodeficient patient on the prevention of recurrent infections.

S6 Severe Asthma
Thomas A.E. Platts-Mills, MD, FACAAI and Lanny J. Rosenwasser, MD, FACAAI
This session will review the definition of severe asthma in the context of the ATS/ERS task force construct; describe emerging biotherapeutics in the treatment algorithms surrounding severe asthma; and define the relevance of fungal infection in the lungs and in severe asthma.

S7 The Role of Fungi in Asthma and CRS
Paul A. Greenberger, MD, FACAAI
This session will explore how fungi participate in allergic sensitization and development of asthma; determine the effectiveness of pharmacotherapy and biologic therapy for fungal asthma; and assess the useful approaches for patients with chronic rhinosinusitis where fungi contribute to disease activity.

S8 Aspirin Sensitivity Syndromes
Michael E. Manning, MD, FACAAI and Michael R. Nelson, MD, PhD, FACAAI
This session will explore what types of reactions are consistent with cross-reacting aspirin/NSAID reactions and discuss the underlying pathology that leads to this class effect; define the patient population that should be considered for aspirin desensitization and outline the appropriate outpatient desensitization protocol and how to initiate this protocol in the office.

S9 Making Sense of Food Desensitization:
Opposing Views
Kari C. Nadeau, MD, PhD and Richard L. Wasserman, MD, PhD, FACAAI
This session will cover food allergy and possible mechanisms of how it is caused and how it is treated; genetic, immunological, and protein-based studies related to human mechanisms of food allergy-related diseases; and will outline the seven-year experience in more than 300 patients, of providing oral immunotherapy for food allergy in a private practice setting.
S10 Allergic Component Testing
David M. Fleischer, MD and
Anna H. Nowak-Wegrzyn, MD, FACAAI

This session will review studies using component testing for food allergic patients and review the current clinical use of component testing in the clinical and research settings; along with a discussion of the current platforms for component testing, the clinical indications and limitations, and some cases will be used to illustrate the utility of component testing.

Learning Objectives
Upon completion of this session, participants should be able to:
S1) Diagnose, manage and follow patients with eosinophilic gastrointestinal diseases
S2) Describe the pathophysiology of difficult rhinitis and resistant sinus disease, and summarize novel state-of-the-art treatment of recalcitrant chronic rhinosinusitis
S3) Describe therapeutic options for antihistamine-resistant chronic urticaria, including the use of omalizumab in the treatment paradigm and describe pathogenesis of chronic urticaria
S4) Recognize the clinical characteristics of mast cell activation syndrome
S5) Individualize immune globulin replacement to the clinical needs and preferences of the immunodeficient patient; and utilize antimicrobial prophylaxis appropriately with the immunodeficient patient
S6) Describe severe asthma in the context of the ATS/ERS task force construct; recognize the significance of emerging biotherapeutics in the treatment algorithms surrounding severe asthma; and define the relevance of fungal infection in the lungs and the management of fungal infection in severe asthma
S7) Identify the fungi that are risk factors for sensitization and severity of asthma; explore responses to pharmacotherapy and biologic therapy in patients with fungal asthma; and consider when fungi contribute to pathogenesis of chronic rhinosinusitis
S8) Differentiate between aspirin-exacerbated respiratory disease and anaphylaxis to a single NSAID; discuss that common clinical findings in aspirin exacerbate respiratory disease; and discuss the approach to the patient with suspected aspirin-exacerbated cutaneous disease including urticaria and angioedema
S9) Review the current data in food allergy clinical studies; identify safety issues to consider and manage; counsel patients and parents regarding the options for oral immunotherapy for food allergy; and assess their own practice’s suitability to offer oral immunotherapy for food allergy to their patients
S10) Describe indications and limitation of allergen component testing in the diagnosis of food allergy
Meet the Professor Breakfasts

Monday, November 9

6:30 – 7:45 am

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M1 Biofilms
Daniel L. Hamilos, MD, FACAAI
This session will review the basic structural elements of mucosal biofilm; describe the prognostic significance of mucosal biofilm in patients with refractory chronic rhinosinusitis in terms of severity of illness and outcome following endoscopic sinus surgery; explain the potential role of innate immunity in protecting against mucosal biofilm; and discuss the limited knowledge base for treatment to eradicate established mucosal biofilm in patients with refractory chronic rhinosinusitis.

M2 Controversies in the Wheezing Pre-Schooler: New Studies
Leonard B. Bacharier, MD, FACAAI and Bradley E. Chipps, MD, FACAAI
This session will discuss the approaches to treatment of young children with recurrent wheeze; examine the new studies that direct either regular or intermittent use of controlled therapy in this age group; and determine the events that predict persistent airway hyperactivity and symptoms.

M3 Evaluation of Immunodeficiency
Mark M. Ballow, MD, FACAAI and I. Celine Hanson, MD, FACAAI
This session will allow physicians to better recognize, evaluate and formulate a treatment plan for patients diagnosed with an immune deficiency, including discussion of primary immune deficiency disorders and what testing is available for diagnosis and management, along with quality of life issues for individuals with primary immune deficiencies.

M4 Food Allergy: Controversies in Diagnosis
Matthew Greenhawt, MD, MBA, MSc, FACAAI
This session will identify the advantages and disadvantages of current diagnostic testing modalities available to the practitioner and describe ideal decision making criteria to evaluate a patient for oral food challenge.

M5 High EOs and/or High IgEs: How Do You Evaluate?
Gailen D. Marshall, MD, PhD, FACAAI and Patricia Stewart, MD
This session will include discussion of how to systematically work up patients presenting with elevated blood eosinophils and/or IgE including pertinent positives and negatives on history, family history, physical exam and the selection and interpretation of relevant laboratory tests.

M6 Infectious Agents and Asthma Inception: Target for Prevention
Avraham Beigelman, MD and Robert F. Lemanske, MD, FACAAI
This session will focus on the pathway from early life infections to asthma, including the role of respiratory viruses and the airway microbiome in the inception of asthma; potential interventions which target airway infections and/or colonization, aiming for asthma prevention; and review genetic and environmental factors that contribute to asthma inception and the strategies that might be employed regarding asthma prevention.

M7 The Science of the Asthma Action Plan and How to Fulfill Meaningful Use
Chitra Dinakar, MD, FACAAI and John J. Oppenheimer, MD, FACAAI
This session will describe how to write an asthma action plan using the yellow zone practice parameter as a reference.

M8 Office Evaluation of Drug Allergy
David A. Khan, MD, FACAAI and Stephen A. Tilles, MD, FACAAI
This session will discuss diagnostic and therapeutic approaches to common drug allergies encountered in the office setting.
This session will cover the practical aspects of selecting patients most likely to benefit from this treatment and to discuss known benefits and risks of treatment.

Learning Objectives

Upon completion of this session, participants should be able to:

M1) Review the basic structural elements of mucosal biofilm; describe the prognostic significance of mucosal biofilm in patients with refractory chronic rhinosinusitis in terms of severity of illness and outcome following endoscopic sinus surgery; explain the potential role of innate immunity in protecting against mucosal biofilm; and discuss the limited knowledge base for treatment to eradicate established mucosal biofilm in patients with refractory chronic rhinosinusitis.

M2) Describe the role of steroid and non-steroid anti-inflammatory therapy in young wheezers.

M3) Assess using history and PE the important points in evaluating a patient with recurrent infection for an immune deficiency; perform an assessment of the T-cell and humoral or B-cell immune system in patients with recurrent infections; describe and interpret the immune response testing especially responses to pneumococcal polysaccharide vaccine immunization to evaluate a patient for antibody immune deficiency; develop a treatment strategy for the use of replacement IgG therapy in patients with abnormal antibody responses, and assess the need to refer patients with T-cell immune deficiency for BM transplantation.

M4) Identify the advantages and disadvantages of current diagnostic testing modalities available to the practitioner and describe ideal decision making criteria to evaluate a patient for oral food challenge.

M5) Determine the differential diagnosis and appropriate clinical and laboratory workup for a patient presenting with elevated eosinophils and/or high serum IgE.

M6) Describe the relationship(s) of genetic and environmental factors that contribute to the development of asthma inception in children and explain the role of respiratory viruses in asthma inception; the role of the respiratory microbiome in asthma inception; and potential interventions to affect the progression from early life infections to asthma.

M7) Describe how to write an asthma action plan using the yellow zone practice parameter as a reference.

M8) Develop a systematic approach to evaluating patients with multiple antibiotic allergies and to develop a rational approach to the use of skin tests, drug challenges and induction of drug tolerance procedures.

M9) Identify which patients in the allergist’s practice are good candidates for FDA-approved sublingual immunotherapy; and review efficacy and safety of currently available sublingual tablet products and those currently in development.

M10) Evaluate clinical criteria to diagnose cutaneous and extra-cutaneous reactions to medical implants and devices and discuss indications for patch and in-vitro testing and which allergens to test.
Workshops

Friday, November 6 • 4:00 – 6:00 pm

**W1 Insect Allergy Update**
Fee: $70 (FITs $35). Limit 50.
Theodore M. Freeman, MD, FACAAI and David F. Graft, MD, FACAAI

This workshop will review the most recent Practice Parameters, update the parameters with recently published material, cover the diagnosis and treatment of insect sting allergy and emphasize any new information available.

**W2 Difficult to Control Rhinosinusitis: What the Experts Do**
Fee: $70 (FITs $35). Limit 50.
Anju T. Peters, MD and Sheldon L. Spector, MD, FACAAI

This workshop will discuss treatment options for rhinosinusitis.

**W3 Drug Allergy: Options Beyond Avoidance – Where the Allergist Matters**
Fee: $70 (FITs $35). Limit 50.
Aleena Banerji, MD and Roland Solensky, MD

This workshop will include discussion of approaches to diagnosis and management of patients with history of allergy to antibiotics, aspirin and NSAIDs, including history taking, skin testing, drug challenges and desensitization.

**W4 Technology (Tablets/Gadgets and Apps): An Integral Part of Patient Care**
Fee: $70 (FITs $35). Limit 50.
Nabeel Farooqui, MD and Tao T. Le, MD, MHS, FACAAI

This workshop will cover the use of various technologies in clinical care, including mobile and web applications and technologies for clinical practice.

**W5 Food Challenges in Practice**
Fee: $70 (FITs $35). Limit 50.
Sami L. Bahna, MD, DrPH, FACAAI and Anna H. Nowak-Wegrzyn, MD, FACAAI

This workshop will cover the methods of food challenge tests and the advantages and limitations of each, along with discussion of the preparation, administration and interpretation of the oral food challenge results and specific issues in infants and adults.

Fee: $100 (FITs $50). Limit 50.
David I. Bernstein, MD, FACAAI and Luz S. Fonacier, MD, FACAAI

This workshop will cover clinical evaluation of patients suspected of allergic contact dermatitis and diagnostic patch testing, hands-on patch testing, indications, applications, interpretation of patch tests and how to advise patients.

**Learning Objectives**
Upon completion of this session, participants should be able to:
- W1) Recognize the most common insects that cause reaction in humans as well as the reactions these insects cause and develop an evaluation and treatment plan as well as evaluate how to work with local emergency departments for aftercare of patients seen
- W2) Describe newer techniques for the diagnosis and management of rhinosinusitis in the clinical setting and discuss complementary methods for the treatment of rhinosinusitis as well as novel therapeutics which have been shown to be safe and effective for treatment of this common condition
- W3) Discuss diagnostic tests and options for patients with reported hypersensitivity to antibiotics, including beta-Lactam and sulfonamides as well as aspirin and NSAIDs and discuss diagnostic tests and options of treatment for patients with reported hypersensitivity to chemotherapeutic agents, vaccines and other biologicals
- W4) Increase their utilization of new forms of technology and recognize the important aspects of mobile health applications and social media
- W5) Describe how to perform an oral food challenge and review indications for an oral food challenge and reasons for deferment
- W6) Discuss when and how to do in-office patch testing and interpret the results of the patch test

Saturday, November 7 • 3:30 – 5:30 pm

**W7 2015 Coding, Billing and Regulations: Part 1 of 2**
Fee: $70 (FITs $35). Limit 50.
Gary N. Gross, MD, FACAAI and J. Allen Meadows, MD, FACAAI

The Advocacy Council team will update progress on the transition to ICD-10 and answer questions. This workshop will cover coding and reimbursement issues and how to address them within your office and provide a description of allergy-specific codes as well as general coding requirements.
Saturday, November 7 • 3:30 – 5:30 pm (continued)

W8 Severe Asthma
Fee: $70 (FITs $35). Limit 100.
Leonard B. Bacharier, MD, FACAAI and
Reynold A. Panettieri, Jr., MD

This workshop will discuss the evaluation process and approach to management of difficult to control asthma in children.

W9 Food Allergies: What’s New in Prevention and Treatment
Fee: $70 (FITs $35). Limit 50.
J. Andrew Bird, MD, FACAAI and
Julie Wang, MD, FACAAI

This workshop will cover information related to correct application of food allergy testing modalities and managing patients with multiple food allergies, and discuss the appropriate selection of diagnostic tests for food allergies as well as the natural history of food allergy and how it impacts management.

W10 Laboratory Evaluation of the Immune System
Fee: $70 (FITs $35). Limit 50.
Rohit K. Katial, MD, FACAAI and
Maureen M. Petersen, MD, FACAAI

This workshop will provide an interpretation and discussion of vaccine response in the setting of primary immune deficiency.

W11 Atopic Dermatitis In-Depth
Fee: $70 (FITs $35). Limit 50.
Mark Boguniewicz, MD, FACAAI and
Peter A. Lio, MD

This workshop will discuss evidence-based approach to evaluation and management of patients with atopic dermatitis, use of systemic agents in AD including phototherapy and creation and use of an Eczema Action Plan.

W12 Introductory Course in Rhinolaryngoscopy
Fee: $70 (FITs $35). Limit 50.
Seong H. Cho, MD and
Jerald W. Koepke, MD, FACAAI

This workshop will provide attendees with the ability to discuss the surgical anatomy of the upper airway, including the nasal cavity, pharynx, and larynx; identify normal and abnormal anatomy, as well as disease presentations and post-operative changes found with endoscopic examination of the upper airway; and identify the indications for, and the use of, the fiberoptic rhinoscope in the allergist’s office.

W13 Allergies in Infants and Very Young Children (Asthma, Cough, Urticaria and Eczema in Children <5 Years)
Fee: $70 (FITs $35). Limit 50.
Chitra Dinakar, MD, FACAAI and
Todd A. Mahr, MD, FACAAI

This workshop will discuss new and current recommendations for diagnosis and management of childhood asthma, review new and current recommendations for management of asthma and wheezing illnesses in infants and young children, review new and current recommendations for the management of atopic dermatitis in infants and young children and review urticaria and allergic rhinitis in this age group.

W14 Delayed Hypersensitivity Drug Reactions: Dilemmas in Diagnosis and Treatment
Fee: $70 (FITs $35). Limit 50.
Mariana C. Castells, MD, PhD, FACAAI and
David A. Khan, MD, FACAAI

This workshop will include discussion of the management of delayed hypersensitivity drug reactions.

Learning Objectives
Upon completion of this session, participants should be able to:
• W7) Discuss allergy and immunology related codes, including new ICD-10 codes, and issues related to CPT code 95165, Stinging Insect and Medication allergy testing codes; discuss current and EHR government regulations including Medicare, Medicaid, fraud and abuse issues; and discuss USP Chapter 797 Compounding Sterile Preparations issues, meaningful use and PQRS, and RAC audits
• W8) Describe how severe asthmatics are uniquely different and review the evaluation/assessment of these patients, comparing pediatric and adult and develop a treatment plan for patients with severe asthma
• W9) Diagnose the correct type of food allergy based on symptoms and utilize diagnostic modalities, including the most recent IgE tests and apply knowledge of the natural history of food allergy to the management of patients and advise patients regarding the utilization of food allergen labeling
• W10) Properly identify patients who require a thorough immunological evaluation and describe appropriate testing and interpretation and where to access more sophisticated testing
• W11) Identify common and uncommon causes of severe eczema and describe the rationale for an extended therapeutic ladder for patients refractory to standard treatments with special emphasis on compliance
• W12) Discuss the surgical anatomy of the upper airway and identify normal and abnormal anatomy, as well as disease presentations and postoperative changes found with endoscopic examination and identify the indications for and the use of the fiber optic rhinoscope
• W13) Discuss new and current recommendations for diagnosis and management of childhood asthma and apply new and current diagnostic and therapeutic options in respiratory allergies and other conditions in pediatric patients
Saturday, November 7 • 3:30 – 5:30 pm (continued)

- W14 Discuss the evaluation of non-IgE mediated reactions to antibiotics and NSAIDs, including use of drug patch, delayed intradermal testing and skin biopsy, for reactions including DRESS, AGEP and fixed drug eruptions; and discuss the evaluation of non-IgE mediated reactions to biologics, chemotherapeutics, possibly progesterone dermatitis using drug patch, delayed intradermal and skin biopsy.

Sunday, November 8 • 6:30 – 8:30 am

W15 Hands-On Session in Rhinolaryngoscopy
Fee: $100 (FITs $50). Limit 30.
Jerald W. Koepke, MD, FACAAI; Seong H. Cho, MD; Kevin R. Murphy, MD, FACAAI (SC); Grant C. Olson, MD, FACAAI; Donald W. Pulver, MD, FACAAI and C. Ross Westley, MD, FACAAI

This workshop will provide attendees with the ability to: describe the major anatomical structures of the nasal, pharyngeal and glottic areas as visualized during examination with the fiber-optic rhinolaryngoscope; describe variations of normal seen when participants examine one another in this hands-on session; and demonstrate the proper handling and initial skills needed to perform a comprehensive upper airway examination with a fiberoptic endoscope.

Sunday, November 8 • 4:00 – 6:00 pm

W16 Proper Use of Immunoglobulin Replacement Therapy
Fee: $70 (FITs $35). Limit 50.
Jordan S. Orange, MD, PhD, FACAAI and Richard L. Wasserman, MD, PhD, FACAAI

This presentation will cover the proper use of immunoglobulin in primary immunodeficiency.

W17 Many Faces of Dyspnea in the Athlete: VCD or Asthma?
Fee: $70 (FITs $35). Limit 50.
Charles J. Siegel, MD, FACAAI; Stephen A. Tilles, MD, FACAAI; and Guest Coach

This workshop will include a case of dyspnea in the athlete and discuss this in a problem-based learning format with attendees.

W18 2015 Coding, Billing and Regulations: Part 2 of 2
Fee: $70 (FITs $35). Limit 50.
Gary N. Gross, MD, FACAAI and J. Allen Meadows, MD, FACAAI

The Advocacy Council team will update progress on the transition to ICD-10 and answer questions. This presentation will describe legal/regulatory issues as they relate to allergy/immunology and requirements for correct coding for reimbursement and documentation for ICD-10.

W19 Living With an Itch: A Practical Approach to Diagnosis and Treatment
Fee: $70 (FITs $35). Limit 50.
Luz S. Fonacier, MD, FACAAI and Peter A. Lio, MD

This presentation will include discussion of the causes of pruritus with and without a rash and systemic diseases that need to be considered; and the use of systemic agents, phototherapy, “alternative” and “natural” medications in itch.

W20 Are You Ready for SCID Newborn Screening?
Fee: $70 (FITs $35). Limit 50.
Lisa Kobrynski, MD, MPH, FACAAI and John M. Routes, MD, FACAAI

This workshop will cover the necessary steps for implementing newborn screening for SCID within a state and the role of the A/I practitioner in this screening program and review some of the resources available to states implementing this screening test; the scientific basis of the TREC assay and the evaluation of infants with abnormal TREC assays.

W21 Approach to Eosinophilic Esophagitis and Other Swallowing Disorders
Fee: $70 (FITs $35). Limit 50.
Mirna Chehade, MD and Jonathan M. Spergel, MD, PhD, FACAAI

This workshop will discuss the differential diagnosis of eosinophilic esophagitis (EoE) and the spectrum of symptom presentation across various age groups; the diagnostic options and various currently used therapies for EoE, along with the diagnosis of EoE and other potential swallowing disorders, and review the differential diagnosis of swallowing disorders.
## Workshops

### Sunday, November 8 • 4:00 – 6:00 pm (continued)

#### W22 Skin and Lungs After 65
- **Fee:** $70 (FITs $35). Limit 50.
- **Pinkus Goldberg, MD, FACAAI and Raymond S. Slavin, MD, FACAAI**

This workshop will evaluate the aging process and its clinical effects on the lung and skin; diagnostic and therapeutic options unique to this age group will be discussed, along with the importance of asthma in the elderly, with special attention paid to diagnosis and treatment of asthma in the elderly.

#### W23 Diagnostic Testing for Food Allergy: Is Component Testing Ready for Prime Time?
- **Fee:** $70 (FITs $35). Limit 50.
- **Jay M. Portnoy, MD, FACAAI and P. Brock Williams, PhD, FACAAI (SC)**

This workshop will include discussion of the current evidence related to the use of diagnostic tests for food and aero-allergen sensitivity, emphasizing the strategies used for clinical decision-making.

#### W24 Nuts and Bolts on Rush and Cluster Immunotherapy
- **Fee:** $70 (FITs $35). Limit 50.
- **David B. Engler, MD, FACAAI and Michael S. Tankersley, MD, FACAAI**

Immunotherapy (IT) is highly effective in certain allergic ailments, but many patients have difficulty building up to the high, effective doses necessary to achieve relief; rush and cluster IT allows for accelerated forms of building up the dose, making IT a good option in many patients who would otherwise not be candidates. This workshop will include discussion of the efficacy, procedures, coding, safety, risk factors and outcome for both cluster and rush subcutaneous immunotherapy.

#### W25 AACA All About Vaccines: Diagnosis, Management and Adverse Events
- **Fee:** $70 (FITs $35). Limit 50.
- **Mark M. Ballow, MD, FACAAI; Joseph A. Bellanti, MD, FACAAI and John M. Kelso, MD, FACAAI**

This workshop will include discussion of current recommendations for vaccines and adverse reactions to vaccines. It will also include discussion of how the unprecedented dimensions of the 2014 Ebola epidemic which ravaged three West African countries have challenged public health response capacity and urged the availability of safe and effective vaccines.

#### W26 Problem-Based Learning: An Interactive Case Discussion of a Child With Recurrent Infections
- **Fee:** $70 (FITs $35). Limit 25.
- **Ray S. Davis, MD, FACAAI and Michael R. Nelson, MD, PhD, FACAAI**

An interactive case-based discussion (PBL) will be presented to the audience for their opinions of how to evaluate, diagnose and treat a patient with recurrent respiratory infections, followed by an expert didactic presentation on the Practice Parameters on this subject matter.

### Learning Objectives

Upon completion of this session, participants should be able to:

- **W15** Describe the major anatomical structures of the nasal, pharyngeal and glottic areas as visualized during examination with the fiber-optic rhinolaryngoscope; describe variations of normal seen in this hands-on session and demonstrate the proper handling and initial skills needed to perform a comprehensive upper airway examination with a fiberoptic endoscope
- **W16** Discuss the various indications for use of immunoglobulin replacement and review types of immunoglobulin preparations available for use as well as the advantages and disadvantages of each
- **W17** Distinguish among the various types of exercise-induced respiratory disorders and discuss the appropriate use of diagnostic tests, including spirometry and laryngoscopy in evaluation of exercise-induced respiratory disorders
- **W18** Discuss actual problems related to coding, billing and government regulations as contributed by practicing allergists; and discuss related issues that may include, ICD-10 Codes/ Meaningful Use and PQRS, Medicare/Billing CPT code 95165/ USP 797
- **W19** Discuss the causes of pruritus, with (including atopic dermatitis) or without a rash and the workup to seek underlying diseases; and recognize that pruritus has numerous pathways and available therapies to address itch in patients with both idiopathic pruritus and pruritus secondary to another disease
- **W20** Recognize the important steps for implementing statewide SCID newborn screening; and discuss the basis of TREC screening, including the conditions identified by this test, and the proper next steps to be taken after an abnormal newborn screening test
- **W21** Discuss the pathophysiology and differential diagnosis of eosinophilic esophagitis (EoE) and other similar swallowing disorders; and discuss the diagnostic options and evolving treatment for EoE
- **W22** Effectively diagnose and manage asthma in the elderly, identify co-morbidities, allergy and psychosocial factors affecting the disease; and discuss changes that occur with age in the skin and diseases that are more prevalent or unique to the elderly, and evaluate and treat these allergic skin diseases
- **W23** Select appropriate components to measure in patients with suspected food allergy focusing on peanut; and recommend appropriate treatment based on the results of the component tests
**Workshops**

**Sunday, November 8 • 4:00 – 6:00 pm (continued)**

- **W24** Discuss efficiency, procedures, coding, safety, risks and outcomes related to Rush Immunotherapy; and discuss efficiency, procedures, coding, safety, risks and outcomes of Cluster Immunotherapy
- **W25** Discuss current recommendations for vaccines (pneumococcal, influenza, smallpox, meningococcal, tetanus), and their use for diagnosis and management in immune compromised, both primary and secondary immunodeficiency, and immune competent patients; discuss facts and fiction (autism) of adverse reactions to vaccines and current recommendations for patients reporting allergy to egg, gelatin, etc. Also emphasized will be the contraindications for vaccines in select patients and how to address barriers frequently encountered during patient/caregiver communication regarding safety, efficacy, and possible misinformation; and summarize current information regarding the Ebola vaccine, including an update on clinical trials in Guinea, Liberia and Sierra Leone.
- **W26** Properly identify patients who may be immunodeficient, including old and new forms, and require a thorough immunological evaluation; and proficiently manage immunodeficient patients and determine when to refer them to tertiary care centers

**Monday, November 9 • 1:00 – 3:00 pm**

**W27 Alcohol and Additive Allergies**
 Fee: $70 (FITs $35). Limit 50.
 Karla Adams, MD and Hannelore A. Brucker, MD, FACAAI (SC)

This workshop will review food additive hyper-sensitivity reactions and histamine intolerance signs and symptoms, including discussion of the evaluation and management of these conditions, and different mechanisms of reactions to alcoholic beverages including genetic variations of enzymes that degrade alcohol. The workshop should help to sharpen the diagnostic skills to analyze allergic-type reactions to alcohol.

**W28 Enhancing the Survival of Allergists: Facing Current Challenges Including Changing Markets and ACO**
 Fee: $70 (FITs $35). Limit 50.
 Stanley M. Fineman, MD, MBA, FACAAI and Michael B. Foggs, MD, FACAAI

This workshop will define ACOs, Medicare Shared Savings Programs, Patient-Centered Medical Home and Integrated Health Care Networks and help the attendee recognize ongoing funding formulas for health care and the need for integration and participation with other practitioners, health care systems, allied health groups and community health centers to deliver coordinated care.

**W29 Immunotherapy In 2015: The Nuts and Bolts of SCIT and SLIT**
 Fee: $70 (FITs $35). Limit 50.
 Bryan L. Martin, DO, FACAAI and John J. Oppenheimer, MD, FACAAI

This workshop will cover the differences in therapeutic extracts and prescribing practices.

**W30 Fat Lips and Swollen Throats: What Are the Facts?**
 Fee: $70 (FITs $35). Limit 50.
 William R. Lumry, MD, FACAAI and Richard W. Weber, MD, FACAAI

This workshop will review the evaluation and treatment of angioedema with focus on emerging therapies for bradykinin mediated swelling disorders.

**W31 Penicillin (Beta-Lactam) Toolkit**
 Fee: $70 (FITs $35). Limit 50.
 Howard C. Crisp, MD and Dana V. Wallace, MD, FACAAI

This workshop will review the beta-lactam allergy toolkit and discuss how an allergist can present to the primary care audience the principles of drug allergy and the benefits of an allergy referral. It will provide attendees with information on how to customize their individual office protocol for beta-lactam testing and oral challenge including testing sheets and consent forms.

**W32 Systemic Effects of Inhaled, Intranasal and Topical Corticosteroids**
 Fee: $70 (FITs $35). Limit 50.
 Craig A. Alter, MD and David P. Skoner, MD, FACAAI

This workshop will review adverse effects of steroids on children and specifically the effects of inhaled steroids.
**Workshops**

**Monday, November 9 • 1:00 – 3:30 pm (continued)**

**W33 Unanswerable Questions: Conundrums in Anaphylaxis**

**Fee:** $70 (FITs $35). Limit 50.

Paul A. Greenberger, MD, FACAAI and Phillip L. Lieberman, MD, FACAAI

This workshop will explore some unanswered questions about causes of anaphylaxis and "next steps" in diagnosis and treatment; consider the differences between idiopathic anaphylaxis and mast cell activation syndromes and for whom bone marrow examinations should be performed; and organize a reassessment when the patient keeps experiencing episodes of anaphylaxis despite your best advice. In addition, there will be discussion of the proper circumstances to administer epinephrine during an anaphylactic event and the proper circumstances to prescribe epinephrine to a patient at risk of an event.

**Learning Objectives**

Upon completion of this session, participants should be able to:

- **W27)** Discuss the presenting clinical syndromes associated with alcohol sensitivity reactions, evaluation and management; and discuss the presenting symptoms associated with food additive allergy and histamine intolerance, evaluation and management
- **W28)** Define ACOs, Medicare Shared Savings Programs, Patient Centered Medical Home, and Integrated Health care Networks, as well as recognize ongoing funding formulas for health care, such as sustainable growth rate, pay for performance, etc.; recognize the need for integration and participation with other practitioners, health care systems, allied health groups, community health centers to deliver coordinated care; and discuss market challenges facing the practicing allergist and outline strategies to enhance patient flow.
- **W29)** Explain the differences between subcutaneous, sublingual and other forms of allergy immunotherapy for the purpose of therapeutic extracts related to patient care, including health care outcomes research which involves benefits related to the application of immunotherapy; and write prescriptions for immunotherapy which contain safe and effective doses of each component according to current guidelines and best clinical practice for the benefit of patient care
- **W30)** Discuss the workup and treatment approaches to patients with types I and 2 hereditary angioedema (HAE); and discuss the pathophysiology, workup and treatment of histamine-mediated urticaria/angioedema and distinguishing features from type 3 HAE
- **W31)** Customize the beta-lactam physician and nursing protocol for beta-lactam testing and oral challenge as well as testing sheets and consent forms for their individual office; present to a primary care audience the principles of drug allergy and why allergy referrals are appropriate; and customize their patient and primary care office education materials to market the allergist as the expert for beta-lactam testing as well as discuss the reasons that primary care providers, patients, and third-party payors should suggest and approve beta-lactam testing for carefully selected patients; present to a primary care audience the principles of allergy testing and oral challenge for patients suspected to have beta-lactam allergy
- **W32)** Discuss the potential adverse effects of commonly used topical corticosteroid medications on several organ systems, including possible effects on growth; discuss diagnostic and therapeutic options based on known potential adverse events
- **W33)** Administer epinephrine at the appropriate time to patients with various manifestations of anaphylaxis; and recognize that anaphylaxis may begin with mild symptoms and rapidly progress to cardiovascular and/or respiratory collapse
- **W34)** Describe prevalence, toxicity and effects of e-cigarettes and its impact especially to our adolescents, as well as compare mechanisms of e-cigarettes versus traditional cigarettes regarding airway/inflammatory and allergic responses. In addition, it will provide an update on the Colorado experience of Medical and Recreational Marijuana and a description of patient presentations with allergic reactions to marijuana.

**W34 Navigating the Vapors**

**Fee:** $70 (FITs $35). Limit 50.

Maeve E. O’Connor, MD, FACAAI and William S. Silvers, MD, FACAAI

This workshop will include discussion of the prevalence, toxicity and effects of e-cigarettes and its impact especially to our adolescents and compare mechanisms of e-cigarettes versus traditional cigarettes regarding airway/inflammatory and allergic responses. In addition, it will provide an update on the Colorado experience of Medical and Recreational Marijuana and a description of patient presentations with allergic reactions to marijuana.
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### Learning Objectives

Upon completion of this session, participants should be able to:

- Discuss important changes at the national level that impact practice management
- Describe changes from our traditional payment models to ones based on ACO and performance, capitation plans, or other managed care contracting models
- Summarize useful website/social media tips and various marketing tools that promote, rank, or rate a practice and providers
- Discuss future changes occurring within the allergy landscape for the doctor and the manager, including both the positives and negatives
- Explain the significance of relating to patients and employees and how to retain them both
- Summarize trends in government compliance and coding programs
- Utilize an open platform to share ideas, discuss challenges, provide resources, and help each other strengthen our organizations
Advanced Practice Health Care Providers Course

Friday, November 6

Separate Registration Fee • Admission by Ticket Only • Register online or forms available at www.acaai.org

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Target Audience: Nurse practitioners, physician assistants, allergy/immunology nurses, other health care providers with extensive experience and physicians.

Nursing Accreditation: Provider approved by the California Board of Registered Nursing, Provider Number 14486 for 6.9 contact hours.

8:00 am – 9:45 am

General Session

Moderator: Charlotte M. Jacobsen, MSN, RN

8:00 am Welcome and Introductions
Deidra H. Sanders, MSN, APRN, FNP-BC

8:05 am Advances in Food Allergy Part 1
Jodi A. Shroba, MSN, APRN, CPNP

This presentation will discuss component testing for food allergies, including when to use and how to interpret the results. There will also be discussion of new food allergy treatments in practice, specifically the LEAP study, and early introduction of foods into the diet.

8:55 am Advances in Food Allergy Part 2
J. Andrew Bird, MD, FACAAI

This presentation will update the audience regarding advances in research of treatment for food allergies.

9:45 am Refreshment Break

Learning Objectives

Upon completion of this session, participants should be able to:
• Identify when component testing can be useful in the diagnosis and management of food allergies
• Explain the relevance of food allergy treatments currently being studied and their utility in clinical practice

10:00 am – 12:30 pm

General Session

Moderator: Deidra H. Sanders, MSN, APRN, FNP-BC

10:00 am Mix It Up! Options in Immunotherapy
Michael R. Nelson, MD, PhD, FACAAI

This presentation will describe the “how to” in written immunotherapy orders; include standard build, modified cluster and rush protocols with current data; and the pros and cons of SLIT and SCIT in practical use.

10:50 am Precision Asthma Care: Phenotypes and Biologic Medications
Bradley E. Chipp, MD, FACAAI

This presentation will examine the appropriate workup and treatment for asthmatics who fail Step 4 therapy.

11:40 am Chronic Rhinosinusitis: What Does Evidence-Based Practice Tell Us?
Eli O. Meltzer, MD, FACAAI

This presentation will review available evidence on occupational and environmental risk factors for chronic rhinosinusitis and discuss medical and surgical evidence-based management of CRS.

12:20 pm Questions and Discussion

Learning Objectives

Upon completion of this session, participants should be able to:
• Describe the “how to” in written immunotherapy orders, from dosing strength of individual allergens to protocol options for frequency of administration; includes standard build, modified, cluster and rush protocols with current data to support efficacy and risk of systemics; and briefly discuss pros and cons of SLIT vs SCIT in practical use
• Present most current research on endotyping and heterogeneity of asthma; and discuss the future of asthma medications with advances in immune modulating options
• Review available evidence on occupational and environmental risk factors for chronic rhinosinusitis (CRS); and discuss evidence-based management of CRS, including both medical and surgical

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Advanced Practice Health Care Providers Course

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Interactive Concurrent Workshops

1:30 – 3:00 pm

AP1 Surviving and Thriving in an Advanced Practice Role
Noreen H. Nicol, PhD, RN, FNP, NEA-BC

This presentation will cover key leadership and professional advance practice roles which can add value to every specialty practice, their local community, and their patients.

3:00 pm Refreshment Break

Learning Objectives

Upon completion of this session, participants should be able to:

• AP1/AP4 – Describe the pros and cons of contractual relationships with their employers and how to optimize their influence in improving patients’ health outcomes; and discuss ways advanced practitioners can enhance their value to their employing organizations

• AP2/AP5 – Review history and physical exam of patients with upper and/or lower respiratory complaints to determine what diagnostics should be ordered, the differential and working diagnosis for the patient, and a treatment plan

• AP3/AP6 – Discuss the spectrum of sleep disordered breathing (SDB) to include obstructive sleep apnea, chronic cough and snoring; identify morbidities associated with SDB and describe the assessment tools and recommendations for referral to evaluate and manage SDB

3:15 – 4:45 pm

AP4 Surviving and Thriving in an Advanced Practice Role
Noreen H. Nicol, PhD, RN, FNP, NEA-BC

This presentation will cover key leadership and professional advance practice roles which can add value to every specialty practice, their local community, and their patients.

AP5 PBL: Mimickers of Allergic Disease
B. Gwen Carlton, DNP, APRN, FNP-BC

This will be an interactive session on disease processes and conditions which mimic allergic conditions. The patient’s history, physical exam, diagnostics, and treatment plans will be presented in a case based format.

AP6 Sleep Medicine: More Than a Good Night’s Sleep
Robert J. Karman, MD and Deidra H. Sanders, MSN, APRN, FNP-BC

This presentation will discuss current research on sleep disordered breathing in children and implications for further assessment and intervention. Discussion of physical exam, coupled with patient history, will lend itself to a discussion of potential for sleep disordered breathing and its need for referral.

4:45 pm Adjourn

4:45 – 6:00 pm Advanced Practice, Allied Health and Office Administrators Networking Reception

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8:00 – 9:55 am

**General Session**

Moderator: Kimberly G. Clay, MN, APRN, FNP-BC

8:00 am  **Welcome and Introductions**
Deidra H. Sanders, MSN, APRN, FNP-BC and David A. Khan, MD, FACAAI

8:05 am  **Losing Control: Yellow Zone**  
Management Practice Parameter
Chitra Dinakar, MD, FACAAI

This presentation will describe the criteria of loss of asthma control and review the evidence-based practice parameter for managing asthma in the Yellow Zone.

9:00 am  **The Severe Asthmatic: From Bad Disease to Bad Behavior**
Maureen M. George, PhD, RN, AE-C and David F. Skoner, MD, FACAAI

This presentation will explore common barriers to self-management that contribute to severe asthma.

**Learning Objectives**
Upon completion of this session, participants should be able to:
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9:55 am  **Refreshment Break**

10:10 am – noon

**General Session**

Moderator: B. Gwen Carlton, DNP, APRN, FNP-BC

10:10 am  **Managing Itchy/Rashy Skin**
John C. Browning, MD, MBA

This presentation will discuss understanding and managing the dermatologic manifestations of atopic dermatitis and other rashes.

11:05 am  **Literature Review: Things You Should Have Read**
Panel:
Cheryl K. Bernstein, BSN, RN, CCRC
Maureen George, PhD, RN, AE-C
Charlotte M. Jacobsen, MSN, RN

This presentation will review year-end research articles from 2014 which apply to the evidence-based practice knowledge of Allied Health Professionals in a variety of patient subgroups; discuss important publications of relevance to AH; and review 2014 research study articles focused on the pediatric allergy/asthma patient population.

11:50 am  **Questions and Discussion**

Noon  **Adjourn**

**Learning Objectives**
Upon completion of this session, participants should be able to:
• Discuss the differential diagnoses of rash and itchy skin conditions to include eczema, contact dermatitis and non-immunological rashes; and present highlights of practice parameters on contact dermatitis, patch testing and most common sensitizing agents in everyday products used by consumers
• Summarize selected research articles that apply to the evidence-based practice of allied health professionals in a variety of patient subgroups

Noon  **Lunch (on own)**
Interactive Concurrent Workshops

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Christine W. Wagner, MSN, RN, CPNP, AE-C
This workshop will discuss the challenge of getting patients to actually follow the plan of care. There are many factors that contribute to non-adherence and many different options to help patients become more adherent.

SA2 Improving Clinical Staff  
Competency: Training Options  
Cheryl Blackwell, BSN, RN, AE-C
This presentation will cover skills/knowledge required by nursing staff to achieve competency in an allergy and asthma practice. Training options will also be discussed, as well as measurable evaluations that can be utilized to evaluate progress during training.

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This presentation will provide a practical approach to using spirometry and FENO in clinical practice.

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Learning Objectives
Upon completion of this session, participants should be able to:

• SA1/SA5 - Identify barriers to adherence and list possible solutions to non-adherence
• SA2/SA6 - Identify particular strengths and weaknesses of their nursing staff, and designate the appropriate skills/knowledge required to achieve competency in an allergy/asthma practice; and utilize measurable evaluations of skills/knowledge of nursing staff during training process, as well as in annual assessments
• SA3/SA7 - List key features to insure valid pulmonary function testing (PFT) and recognize adequate effort; and recognize abnormal measurements and their likely clinical interpretation as well as discuss the use of FeNO as a tool for asthma assessment
• SA4/SA8 - Describe the signs and symptoms of severe, acute asthma, and discuss evidence-based treatment and follow-up; and recognize both the obvious and subtle signs of anaphylaxis and apply the principles of appropriate and timely management
8:00 – 9:50 am

**General Session**

**Moderator:** Jodi A. Shroba, MSN, APRN, CPNP

8:00 am  **Welcome and Introductions**
Jodi A. Shroba, MSN, APRN, CPNP

8:05 am  **The Microbiome Revolution in Health and Disease**
Christina E. Ciaccio, MD, FACAAI

This presentation will review the role of microbes in health and disease and review the literature of how microbes influence atopic disease.

8:55 am  **Changing Climates and Lifestyles: The Impact on Allergic Diseases**
Jay M. Portnoy, MD, FACAAI

This presentation will discuss the effect of climate change and current lifestyles on the prevalence and development of allergies and asthma and offer some recommendations for actions that can be taken to ameliorate some of these effects.

**Learning Objectives**

Upon completion of this session, participants should be able to:

- Review how microbiota contribute to immunity as well as to metabolic and inflammatory diseases; and discuss the role of intestinal microbiota and the impact of antibiotics as well as the role for probiotics, vitamins and other supplements
- Apply knowledge of how lifestyle changes, such as in diet, exercise, and medications, may contribute to increasing allergic disease; and critique the role of climate change and environmental pollution in triggering and causing progression of allergic disorders

9:50 am  **Refreshment Break**

10:05 am – noon

**General Session**

**Moderator:** Cheryl K. Bernstein, BSN, RN, CCRC

10:05 am  **Healthy Lifespace for Patients With Asthma and Allergic Diseases: Findings and Recommendations From the Practice Parameters**
Mary Lou Hayden, MS, FNP-BC, AE-C

This presentation will examine potential exposures at home, the work place and school, and current evidence-based recommendations for minimizing exposures. Patients with allergic diseases are affected by many environmental exposures. The Advocacy Council has recently published Practice Parameters on environmental triggers.

11:00 am  **IVIG Replacement: Pearls for Managing the Immune Deficient Patient**
Mark M. Ballow, MD, FACAAI

This presentation will discuss how medical literature now supports new concepts in replacement Ig therapy in patients with primary immune deficiencies to achieve better outcomes.

11:55 am  **Questions and Discussion**

Noon  **Adjourn**

**Learning Objectives**

Upon completion of this session, participants should be able to:

- Discuss evidence-based research for managing environmental triggers to allergic disease and resources for patient education and assistance
- Explore the identification of the immune deficient patient and the various options for management

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Alliance of the ACAAI Program

Please register online or forms available at www.acaai.org for the Business Meeting and Luncheon

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International attendees are cordially invited to attend the Alliance International Reception on Saturday, November 7 from 6:00 – 7:00 pm at the Grand Hyatt San Antonio Hotel. Join us for some Southern hospitality!

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Social Events

24th Annual FIT Bowl Competition

5:00 – 7:00 pm  
Saturday, November 7

Test your knowledge, sharpen your wits and join in the fun at the dynamic, fast-paced FIT Bowl!

Participating teams from training programs around the country will compete to answer a variety of serious (and, not so serious) questions posed by an expert panel. In 2014, 26 teams from the US and Mexico participated at this popular game show.

Dr. Tonya Rans, Program Director (right), congratulates Drs. Derek Smith and Priscilla Wong on retaining the ACAAI FIT Bowl championship for Wilford Hall Medical Center in the highly-competitive 23rd annual competition.

Awards Ceremony

7:00 – 7:45 pm  
Saturday, November 7

The College invites all registrants to the ACAAI Awards Ceremony where we will recognize our 2015 award recipients and formally welcome our newly-approved Fellows.

The event will begin at 7:00 pm with our new Fellows being honored for their accomplishments. We will also recognize the recipients of the ACAAI’s Distinguished Fellow, International Distinguished Fellow, Distinguished Service, Clemens von Pirquet and Woman in Allergy awards.

Finally, we’ll introduce this year’s recipient of the College’s prestigious Gold Headed Cane Award.

President’s Welcome Reception

7:45 – 9:00 pm  
Saturday, November 7

All registrants are invited to the ACAAI President’s Welcome Reception, which will immediately follow the Awards Ceremony. It’s the perfect place to catch up with old friends, make new acquaintances and meet the ACAAI President, President-Elect and the Alliance President. The event will also feature a live auction.

Plan to join us for this fun-filled event.

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Fundraising Event

7:00 – 10:30 pm  
Sunday, November 8

Don’t miss this year’s fundraising event featuring Grammy-Award winning Blood, Sweat & Tears. See page 44 for details.
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