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Office of Continuing Medical Education

Mission Statement

CME Purpose

The mission of the Main Line Health System Continuing Medical Education program is to provide lifelong learning experiences for physicians that support their intentional efforts to enhance competence in patient care, medical knowledge, practice-based learning and improvement, interpersonal and communication skills, professionalism, and systems-based practice. Our CME program sees its purpose as providing high-quality, evidence-based educational opportunities that are designed to advance physician competence, enhance practice performance, promote patient safety, and, where possible, improve patient outcomes in the populations served by the healthcare providers we educate.

Target Audience

CME activities are primarily designed and presented to serve the professional and educational needs of physicians who are credentialed to practice medicine within Main Line Health System. Although the content and strategy of the CME is determined by the needs and interests of these physicians, other interested professionals may also attend CME sessions. CME programs may be aimed at physicians in the region based upon their specialty or interest in a particular topic.

Content Areas

Our activities offer a broad array of educational content targeted to the needs of the learners. Included among our educational offerings are updates in clinical medicine and basic science research, reviews of current or best practice recommendations for clinical care, learning modules in quality improvement, procedural and communication skill development, as well as professional development in bioethics, leadership and patient safety.

Activities Provided

Main Line Health System's CME Program will sponsor, co-sponsor or jointly sponsor CME activities utilizing current technologies and methodologies appropriate for adult learners in a variety of formats including but not limited to on-going weekly and monthly activities such as Grand Rounds, Tumor Conferences, and free-standing one-time programs such as lectures, conferences, seminars, symposium, etc. The MLH CME programs provide a campus-based and system source of formal learning for physicians to supplement outside CME programs and self-directed learning.

Expected Outcomes

Following an educational activity, we expect that learners, when surveyed, will report expanded or reinforced knowledge. We expect that they will report greater confidence in their approach to clinical problems or express their intent to change their behavior and apply newly acquired strategies in their practice. As a result of participating in CME activities, it is expected that participants will report that learning objectives have been met and/or that the learner intends to make a change in practice. In addition to individual post-activity evaluations, a comprehensive evaluation of the CME program as a whole will be conducted on a periodic basis. These evaluations guide on-going improvements in the CME program and subsequent activities. These objectives will be achieved in a setting which is evidence-based, culturally sensitive, and free of commercial bias.