**Purpose**

The educational sessions of the VNS Annual Meeting address the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology Maintenance of Certification core competencies in patient care and medical knowledge. The overall purpose of the 2023 VNS Annual Meeting educational sessions isto recognize the common presentation of AFM and the differential diagnosis involved, to recognize current data regarding the management, treatment, and prognosis in a child with confirmed AFM, to be able to describe and treat bacterial and viral infections of the CNS, to review the MS treatment landscape including DMTs recently approved by the FDA and summarize the latest evidence on early intensive versus escalation approaches, to differentiate POTS from orthostatic hypotension and other orthostatic disorders, to diagnose the underlying etiology of orthostatic hypotension and POTS, to manage orthostatic disorders with emphasis on non-pharmacological strategies, to become familiar with lessons from the last three years regarding CGRP antagonism and to be able to differentiate the abortive options of triptans, gepants, and a ditan, to describe financial toxicity and its impact on patients, to list three ways the Orphan Drug Act can be used by pharma to support excessive drug prices, to describe how ICER derives value based benchmarks, and to list three ways neurologists can engage and advocate for fair and value based drug prices.

**Credit**

This activity has been planned and implemented in accordance with the accreditation requirements and policies of the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) through the joint providership of VCU Health Continuing Medical Education (VCU-CME) and the Virginia Neurological Society (VNS). VCU-CME is accredited by the ACCME to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

Physicians may claim up to 8.0 hours of Type 1 or Type 2 CME on the Virginia Board of Medicine Continued Competency and Assessment Form required for an active medical license.

VCU-CME designates this live educational activity for a maximum of 8.0 ***AMA PRA Category 1 CreditsTM***. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

**Registration/Location**

Tuition and fees are included in membership dues. Tuition and fees for non-members total $150.00. The meeting is being held at the Omni Homestead Resort in Hot Springs, Virginia. For more information contact Sona Pomfret at: [***vaneurosoc@gmail.com***](mailto:vaneurosoc@gmail.com)***.***

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**March 9-12, 2023**



**Omni Homestead**

**Hot Springs, VA**

**January 31, 2**

**The VNS Annual Meeting educational sessions are jointly provided by**

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**and the Virginia Neurological Society.**

**Thursday, March 9, 2023**

***4:00-6:00 pm VNS Executive Committee Meeting Chesapeake***

***6:30-7:30 pm Opening Reception Grand Ballroom Foyer***

**Friday, March 10, 2023**

***8:30am Registration Garden Room***

***Coffee/Exhibits Crystal Ballroom***

***8:55-9:00 am Welcome and Opening Remarks Empire Room***

**Scientific Session – 4 credits**

***Myla Goldman, MD, Session Planner***

***9:00-9:45 am* *Acute Flaccid Myelitis Ten Years Later:***

***What Do We Know?***

* J. Nicholas Brenton, MD, Charlottesville, VA

**Objectives:**to recognize the common presentation of AFM and the differential diagnosis involved and to recognize current data regarding the management, treatment, and prognosis in a child with confirmed AFM

***9:45-10:30* *am*** ***CNS Infections in Adults***

* Bart Nathan, MD, Charlottesville, VA

**Objectives:** to be able to describe and treat bacterial infections of the CNS and to be able to describe and treat viral infections of the CNS

***10:30-11:00 am Break: Visit Exhibitors Crystal Ballroom***

***11:00-11:45 am Treat MS: An Update on Options and Approaches***

* Ryan Canissario, MD, Charlottesville, VA

**Objectives**: to review the MS treatment landscape including DMTs recently approved by the FDA and summarize the latest evidence on early intensive versus escalation approaches

***11:45-12:30 pm Will the Real POTS Please Stand Up?***

* Thomas Chelimsky, MD, Richmond, VA

**Objectives**: to differentiate POTS from orthostatic hypotension and other orthostatic disorders, to diagnose the underlying etiology of orthostatic hypotension and POTS and to manage orthostatic disorders with emphasis on non-pharmacological strategies

**Clinical Pathological Correlations (CPC) – 1 credit**

***Myla Goldman, MD, Session Planner******Empire Room***

**5:30-6:30** pm **Presenters**

* H. Robert Brashear, MD, Earlysville, VA, Mark Quigg, MD, Charlottesville, VA, Sarah Jones, MD, Charlottesville, VA

**Objective:** Clarify important diagnostic and treatment decisions for rare presentations of common disorders or common presentations of rare disorders.

***6:30-7:30 pm Reception Grand Ballroom Foyer***

**Saturday, March 11, 2023**

***9:00-9:30 am* Registration  *Garden Room***

***Coffee/ Exhibits Crystal Ballroom***

**Practice of Neurology- 1 credit**

***Myla Goldman, MD, Session Planner* Empire Room**

***9:30-10:30 am Headache Update 2023~”Boots on the Ground”***

* Catherine Ham, MD, Richmond, VA

**Objectives:** to become familiar with lessons from the last three years regarding CGRP antagonism and to be able to differentiate abortive options: triptans, gepants, and a ditan.

***10:30-11:00 am* Break: Visit Exhibitors *Crystal Ballroom***

***11:00-12:30 pm* Annual Business Meeting Empire Room**

**Fritz Dreifuss Lecture – 1 credit**

***Donald Taylor, MD, Session Planner Empire Room***

***5:30-6:30 pm The Prescription Drug Crisis: Consequences for***

***Patients, Neurologists, and Society***

* A. Gordon Smith, MD, Neurology Department Chair, VCU, Richmond, VA

**Objectives:** to describe financial toxicity and its impact on patients, to list three ways the Orphan Drug Act can be used by pharma to support excessive drug prices, to describe how ICER derives value based benchmarks, and to list three ways neurologists can engage and advocate for fair and value based drug prices.

***Drawing for winner of 2 nights lodging at the Omni Homestead Resort***

***6:30 pm Annual Group Photograph Crystal Ballroom***

***6:30-7:30 pm President’s Reception Grand Ballroom Foyer***

* Hosts:  *Dr. and Mrs. Donald Taylor*

**Sunday, January 27, 2019**

***9:00-11:00 am Difficult Cases-Neurology Consult* – 1 credit**

***Ingrid Loma-Miller, MD, Session Planner***

* Nick Swingle, MD, Resident, UVA, Charlottesville, VA
* Suzahn Ebert, MD, Resident, UVA, Charlottesville, VA
* Lauren Menzies, MD, Resident, VCU, Richmond, VA

**Objective:**Produce differential diagnosis and treatment options for cases without an obvious diagnosis or treatment.