

# Internal Medicine Grand Rounds

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## CARDIOLOGY MONTH

March  
2021

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March 3, 2021

### “Defibrillators and End of Life: The Patient, not the Device”

**Melanie S. Sulistio, M.D., FACC**

Associate Professor of Internal Medicine, Division of Cardiology  
UT Southwestern Medical Center – Dallas, Texas

#### Objectives:

- Describe the effect of defibrillators on quality of life of the patient, particularly at the end of life.
- Review and discuss current available data about patient defibrillator knowledge and their attitudes about deactivation; physician attitudes towards defibrillators and end of life; including the obstructions to physician-patient discussions about deactivation.
  - Discuss the ethical aspects of defibrillator deactivation to clinical scenarios.
- Identify and utilize resources available to health care providers about defibrillators and end of life care.

March 10, 2021

### “Cryptogenic Stroke: Treatment of Patent Foramen Ovale (PFO) and Other Sources of Shunt”

**C. Huie Lin, M.D., Ph.D., FACC FSCAI**

Director, Adult Congenital Heart Program; Interventional Cardiology; Associate Program Director, Fellowship in Cardiovascular Disease  
Houston Methodist DeBakey Heart & Vascular Center; Weill Cornell Medical College – Houston, Texas

#### Objectives:

- Explain the anatomy and physiology of PFO in fetal and adult circulation.
- Describe the current evidence base for PFO closure in the secondary prevention of stroke.
- Identify other lesions in the differential diagnosis of right to left shunt in the setting of stroke.

March 17, 2021

### “Identification and Management of Advanced Heart Failure”

**Jennifer Thibodeau, M.D., MSCS**

Interim Section Chief of Advanced Heart Failure, Transplant, LVAD; Medical Director, Heart Failure  
UT Southwestern Medical Center – Dallas, Texas

#### Objectives:

- Describe patient characteristics that are concerning for advanced heart failure.
- Review and discuss treatment options for patients with advanced heart failure.

March 24, 2021

### “Incorporating High Sensitivity Assays for Cardiac Troponins into Clinical Practice: Challenges & Opportunities”

**James A. de Lemos, M.D.**

Professor of Internal Medicine, Clinical Heart and Vascular Center, UT Southwestern Medical Center – Dallas, Texas

#### Objectives:

- Identify the differences between conventional and high sensitivity troponin assays.
- Discuss how to appropriately apply evidence regarding rapid strategies to rule out myocardial infarction using high sensitivity troponins.
- Recognize the importance of a multi-disciplinary approach for successful and safe implementation of novel high sensitivity troponin strategies.

March 31, 2021

### Administrative Update/IM Department Meeting **\*\*NOT FOR CE CREDIT\*\***

*Doctors on the medical staff practice independently and are not employees or agents of the hospitals or Texas Health Resources except resident doctors in the hospital's graduate medical education program.*

**Target Audience:** Internal medicine physicians, residents, physician assistants, nurse practitioners, nurses, allied health

**Program Director:** Carter King, M.D. – structural and interventional cardiology, Presbyterian Heart and Vascular Group  
Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital Dallas – Dallas, Texas

**Format:** Didactic lecture with question and answer session

#### Accreditation:

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**Ethics:** The presentation, “Defibrillators and End of Life: The Patient, not the Device”, has been designated by Texas Health Resources for 1 credit of education in medical ethics and/or professional responsibility.

**Nurses:** 1 contact hour will be provided for nursing.



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