

**ASSOCIATION OF VA HEMATOLOGY/ONCOLOGY**

6<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL MEETING

October 8 – 10, 2010

The Peabody Hotel Little Rock, AR

**PROGRAM SCHEDULE**

(subject to change)

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2010**

3:00 – 6:00 pm Registration  
4:00 – 8:00 pm Exhibitor Set-up  
4:30 – 6:00 pm AVAHO Board Meeting  
6:30 – 9:30 pm AVAHO Reception (Clinton Library)  
Guest Speaker: Dr. Charles Loprinzi  
**“COMPASSIONATE HONESTY: AN ONCOLOGY ART”**

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2010**

7:00 – 5:00 pm Registration  
7:00 – 5:00 pm Exhibit Displays  
7:00 – 5:00 pm General Poster Session  
7:00 – 8:30 am Breakfast Buffet  
8:00 – 8:15 am Welcome/Introduction  
8:15–8:45 am **CURRENT TREATMENT OF MYELOMA**  
Elias Anaissie, MD, Professor, Myeloma Institute for Research and Therapy, UAMS  
8:45 – 9:15 am **HEMATOPOIETIC STEM CELL TRANSPLANTATION FOR HEMATOLOGIC MALIGNANCIES**  
Tom Chauncey, MD, VA Puget Sound HCS, Seattle  
9:15 – 9:45 am **MYELOMA AND COAGULATION**  
Louis M. Fink, MD, Nevada Cancer Institute  
9:45 – 10:15 am Break/Exhibits  
10:15 – 10:45 am **GENOMIC MEDICINE IN THE VA**  
Steven A. Schichman, MD, PhD, Associate Professor of Pathology, UAMS  
10:45 – 11:15 am **ONCOLOGY 2010**  
Ahmad Mazen Safar, MD, Associate Professor of Medicine, UAMS  
11:15 – 12:15 pm **UPDATES SESSION**

- 11:15 am *Field Advisory Committee – Dr. Mike Kelley/Dr. Anna Schorer*
  - 11:30 am *Nursing Field Advisory Committee – Lori Hoffman Hôgg RN*
  - 11:45 am *OPEN*
  - 12:00 pm *VA Guidelines for Care of Patients with Multiple Myeloma –Mark Geraci, PharmD*
- 12:15 – 2:00 pm Lunch/Business Meeting (Members Only)
- 2:00 – 2:30 pm **LUNG CANCER**  
Michael Kelley, MD
- 2:30 – 3:00 pm **PROSTATE CANCER SCREENING FOR VETERANS**  
Raoul Salup, MD, Chief, Urologic Oncology, James A. Haley Veterans Hospital, Tampa, FL
- 3:00 – 3:30 pm **VACCINE IMMUNOTHERAPY FOR ADVANCED PROSTATE CANCER**  
Daniel Vaena, MD
- 3:30 – 4:00 pm **PANCREATIC ADENOCARCINOMA: MULTIDISCIPLINARY TREATMENT APPROACH**  
Waddah Al Refaie, MD, Minneapolis VAMC
- 4:00 – 4:30 pm **RADIATION THERAPY IN THE ELDERLY**  
Babu Zachariah, MD, James A. Haley Veterans Hospital, Tampa, FL
- 4:30 – 5:30 pm **BREAKOUT SESSIONS – Medical Advisory Teams**
- *Breakout 1 Colorectal Cancer*
  - *Breakout 2 Hematology Malignancies and Transplant*
  - *Breakout 3 GU Cancer*
  - *Breakout 4 Lung Cancer*
  - *Breakout 5 Head & Neck Cancer*
  - *Breakout 6 Breast Cancer*
- 5:30 – 6:30 pm **BREAKOUT SESSIONS – Specialties**
- *Breakout A Physicians*
  - *Breakout B Nurses*
  - *Breakout C Pharmacy*
  - *Breakout D Cancer Registrars*
  - *Breakout E Psycho-Social*
  - *Breakout F Datamining in the VA*
- 5:30 – 6:30 pm Field Advisory Committee Meeting (By Invitation Only)

6:30 – 7:30 pm Poster Session/Exhibit Displays/Reception  
7:30 – 9:30 pm Annual Dinner/Award Ceremony/Toasts: Dr. Paulette Mehta

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2010**

7:00 – 12:00 pm Registration  
7:00 – 12:00 pm Exhibit Displays  
7:00 – 12:00 pm General Poster Session  
7:00 – 8:30 am Breakfast Buffet  
8:00–10:00 am **Abstract Session**

8:00 am **COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS OF QUALITY OF CARE AT VA HOSPITALS (VAH) IN THE TREATMENT OF GLIOBLASTOMA**  
Jonathan Mathias; Peter Silberstein M.D.; Nicole Shonka M.D.  
Creighton University School of Medicine; University of Nebraska Medical Center - Department of Hematology Oncology

8:15 am **INITIAL CLINICAL EXPERIENCE WITH FRAMELESS IMAGE-GUIDED STEREOTACTIC BODY RADIOTHERAPY FOR EARLY STAGE LUNG CANCER**  
Ajay P Sandhu; Sameer K Nath, Daniel Kim, Anjali Bharne, Saeeda Kirmani, Mark Fuster  
University of California, San Diego

8:30 am **THE C-CARES SURVEY: A NEW INSTRUMENT TO ASSESS QUALITY OF CARE AND COMMUNICATION PATTERNS IN COLORECTAL CANCER PATIENTS IN THE VETERANS AFFAIRS HEALTHCARE SYSTEM**  
Leah L. Zullig, MPH, George L. Jackson, PhD, MHA, Joan Griffin, PhD, Rahul M. Jindal, MD, PhD, Steven Clauser, PhD, Paul Han, MD, MA, David Haggstrom, MD, S. Yousuf Zafar, MD, MHS, Neeraj Arora, MD, Mandy Stahre, MPH, Sean Phelan, PhD, Dawn Provenzale, MD  
Durham VA Medical Center

8:45 am **SURGICAL OUTCOMES OF COLON CANCER IN VETERAN OCTOGENARIAN POPULATION**  
Ramya Thota, Tashi Tsewang, Wilson Gonsalves, Peter Silberstein, Shanmuga Subbiah  
Creighton University Medical Center

9:00 am **EXPLORING THE RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN CANCER PAIN, ATTITUDINAL BARRIERS, AND PTSD: A DESCRIPTIVE STUDY**  
Mary L. Thomas, RN, MS, Hematology CNS, Jan Elliott, RN, MS, Pain Management CNS  
VA Palo Alto Health Care System

- 9:15 am      **EVALUATION OF PATIENT COMPREHENSION OF CHEMOTHERAPY RISKS/BENEFITS/GOALS IN VA ONCOLOGY CLINIC**  
Alva B Weir MD and Kothanur Rajanna DPh  
Veteran's Administration Hospital Memphis TN
- 9:30 am      **BREAST CANCER IN FEMALE VETERAN POPULATION: SURVIVAL ANALYSIS FROM VA CANCER REGISTRY**  
R. Thota, T. Tashi, I. Aldoss, W. Gonsalves, P. Silberstein, S. Subbiah  
Creighton University Medical Center
- 9:45 am      **ADJUVANT CHEMOTHERAPY FOR COLON CANCER IN THE OCTOGENARIAN POPULATION: VETERAN'S AFFAIRS CENTRAL CANCER (VACCR) DATABASE ANALYSIS**  
S.Subbiah, W. Gonsalves, I. Aldoss, T. Tashi, I. Al-Howaidi, P. Townley, P. T. Silberstein, A.sama  
VA Nebraska-Western Iowa Health Care System, Creighton University, Omaha, Nebraska
- 10:00 – 10:30 am      Break/Exhibits
- 10:30 – 11:00 am      **AN ONCOLOGIST'S JOURNEY AT THE END OF LIFE**  
Letha Mills, MD, Adjunct Associate Professor of Medicine, Dartmouth Medical School
- 11:00 – 11:30 am      **OPIOIDS AS PAIN MANAGEMENT IN PATIENTS WITH CANCER: CONCERNS IN THE VA SYSTEM**  
Francine Goodman, PharmD, BCPS, Clinical Pharmacy Specialist  
VA Pharmacy Benefits Management Services (119D)
- 11:30 – 12:00 pm      **SURVIVORSHIP/PALLIATIVE**  
Ellen Ballard, RN, BSN, OCN
- 12:00 pm      ADJOURN
- 12:00 - 1:30 pm      Board Meeting/Lunch