

ACCC 1989 ANNUAL FALL LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE ONCOLOGY ECONOMICS VI: OUTPATIENT AND HOME HEALTH CARE FOR CANCER PATIENTS

The Association of Community Cancer Centers (ACCC) has finalized the agenda for its Annual Fall Leadership Conference, **Oncology Economics VI: Outpatient and Home Health Care for Cancer Patients**, to be held in Las Vegas, NV, on September 21-23, 1989, at the Alexis Park Resort Hotel.

The three-day conference will feature sessions on the following topics:

- Reimbursement for Ambulatory Chemotherapy.** Speakers will address such ongoing issues as reimbursement for chemotherapy infusion pumps, correct CPT coding, and how the treatment setting affects reimbursement.
- Freestanding Cancer Centers: How Are They Faring?** Reimbursement levels, utilization, patient referrals, and

physician ownership are just a few of the topics that will be examined.

- Physician Referrals: How the Stark Bill Could Affect Cancer Centers.** Lobbying efforts to exempt cancer centers from the Stark legislation, and the overall effect on cancer treatment and patient access will be addressed.
- An Update on the Home IV Regulations of the Outpatient Drug Amendment.** Speakers will present their views on recent rules by the Health Care Financing Administration, including the proposed list of covered IV agents, utilization review, and payment schedules.
- The Relative Value Scale: Its Implications for Oncology.** The increasing concern of Congress about the rate of

increase in payments to physicians has made a resource based relative value scale an attractive measure. Can such a system cut the rate of increase and truly reward oncologists cognitive services?

- The Use and Misuse of CPT Coding for Chemotherapy Services.** How oncologists are currently using CPT coding for chemotherapy administration and technical services can impact future attempts to reform the physician payment system.

A highlight of the ACCC Fall Conference will be a half-day Symposium on **Biologicals and New Technology**. Representatives of major biological and pharmaceutical firms will discuss what new science and technologies can be expected in the near future. In addition, discussion will focus on the prospects for fair reimbursement for those treatment innovations.

For the first time, the ACCC will be sponsoring an exhibit hall at its Fall Leadership Conference on Friday evening and Saturday morning, in conjunction with a reception for meeting participants and a continental breakfast.

All health care providers, including hospital CEOs, Cancer Center Administrators, Medical Directors, and Oncology Nurses will benefit from the sessions at this conference.

The Association has reserved a block of rooms at the special group suite rate of \$85 per night for single or double occupancies through August 30, 1989. Contact the hotel directly for reservations:

Alexis Park Resort Hotel
375 East Harmon
Las Vegas, NV 89109
800/582-2228 (Reservations Only)
702/796-3300 ■

ACCC FALL LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FORM

Registration Fees: ___ ACCC Member \$375.00 ___ Non-Member \$450.00
(Please check one)

Please enclose check or money order payable to ACCC

Name: _____

Title: _____

Institution: _____

Address: _____

City, State, ZIP: _____

Telephone: (____) _____

For multiple registrations, please photocopy this form.

Return form to: ACCC Fall Conference, 11600 Nebel St., Suite 201, Rockville, MD 20852.

Written cancellation of registration prior to September 7, 1989, will result in a refund less a \$50 processing fee. After September 7, registration fees will not be refunded.