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June 10-12, 2011
Kiawah Island Golf Resort, Kiawah Island, SC

FACULTY / SPEAKERS

FEATURED SPEAKER
The Honorable Louis W. Sullivan, M.D.
President Emeritus of Morehouse College of Medicine
Former Secretary of Health and Human Services for

The Honorable Louis W. Sullivan, M.D. is chairman of the board of the National Health Museum in Atlanta, Georgia, whose goal is to improve the health of Americans by enhancing health literacy and advancing healthy behaviors. Read full bio>>

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

Robert Baran, M.D.
Head of the Nail Disease Center in Cannes, France
Consultant Dermatologist to the Gustave Roussy Cancer Institute in Villejuif, France

Robert Baran, M.D. was born in Paris, France and qualified in dermatology at Hôpital Saint Louis. Currently, he is a clinical investigator for several pharmaceutical companies, Head of the Nail Disease Center in Cannes, France, and Consultant Dermatologist to the Gustave Roussy Cancer Institute in Villejuif, France. Read full bio>>

Richard Bennett, M.D.
Professor of Clinical Dermatology - UCLA & USC Schools of Medicine
Specialist in Mohs Micrographic Surgery

Richard G. Bennett, M.D., a diplomate of the American Board of Dermatology and the American Board of Mohs Micrographic Surgery, is a specialist in Mohs micrographic surgery. Read full bio>>

Marta Van Beek, MD, MPH
Associate Professor of the Department of Dermatology
University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics, Iowa City
Chair, AADA Congressional Policy Committee
American Academy of Dermatology Presidential Citation Award Winner, Feb 2011

Marta VanBeek, M.D. is the Assistant Professor of Dermatology at the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics where she also attended medical school. She is board certified by the American Board of Dermatology and is a member of multiple Dermatologic societies and organizations. Her research interests include Health Related Quality of Life, Epidemiology of Melanoma, Hyperhidrosis, HIV Dermatoses and International Public Health. Career Highlights>>

Jeannette Guarner, MD
Associate Professor,
Pathology and Laboratory Medicine - Emory
Infectious Disease Pathology
Guest Researcher at the CDC

Jeannette Guarner, M.D. was raised in Mexico City where she did her medical school training at Universidad La Salle, Mexico City. She came to Emory University in Atlanta, Georgia, to do residency training in Anatomic and Clinical Pathology and a 2 year fellowship in Surgical pathology. Read full bio>>

LOCAL SPEAKERS
Richard Sturm, MD
Richard L. Sturm, MD, received his Bachelor of Science degree from Duke University in 1975 and his Doctorate of Medicine (M.D.) degree from Emory University in 1980. He interned in pediatrics at Jackson Memorial Hospital in Miami from 1980-1981, followed by a residency in dermatology at Emory University from 1981-1984, including chief residency in 1984.  Read full bio>>

Katarina Lequeux-Nalovic, MD
Dr. Katarina Lequeux-Nalovic was born in Cameroon, West Africa and grew up in French Guyana, South America, with her French father and American mother. Dr. Lequeux-Nalovic is fluent in French, Spanish and English.  Read full bio>>

Loretta Davis, MD
Loretta S. Davis, M.D. is the Interim Section Chief Professor of Dermatologic Medicine, Section of Dermatology at Medical College of Georgia.  Read full bio>>

Robert Swerlick, MD
Robert A. Swerlick, M.D. is a Head Professor and Chair of Dermatology at The Emory Clinic as well as a Staff Physician, Division of Dermatology at Atlanta VA Medical Center. He earned his education at the University of Virginia, interned at City Hospital in Baltimore, Maryland and completed his residency program as the Chief Resident at the University of Virginia Medical Center.  Read full bio>>

Jonathan Weiss, MD
Jonathan S. Weiss, MD is an assistant clinical professor of Dermatology at the Emory University School of Medicine in Atlanta, Georgia. He also practices at Gwinnett Dermatology, PC, and Gwinnett Clinical Research Center, Inc., in Snellville, Georgia, just outside of Atlanta.  Read full bio>>

Mark Holzberg, MD
Mark Holzberg, M.D. is the founder of Newnan Dermatology and has practiced in Newnan for over 20 years. He graduated Phi Beta Kappa from Johns Hopkins University in 1979 and received his medical doctorate degree from Emory University School of Medicine.  Read full bio>>
Narayan Naik, MD
Narayan S. Naik, M.D. earned his medical degree from Northeastern Ohio Universities College of Medicine, where he was selected for membership in Alpha Omega Alpha national medical honor society and was valedictorian of his graduating class.  Read full bio>>

Stuart Goldsmith, MD
Stuart Goldsmith, M.D. is a dermatologist at Southwest Georgia Dermatology in Albany, Georgia. He earned a medical degree from Emory University in Atlanta, Ga.  Read full bio>>

Petra Milde, MD
Dr. Milde is Board Certified in Dermatology, Pathology, and Dermatopathology. She started practicing Dermatopathology in 1991, and joined Atlanta Dermatopathology and Pathology Associates (ADPA) in 2001.  Read full bio>>

Jamie Weisman, MD
Jamie Weisman, MD, joined Peachtree Dermatology Associates in June 2006. Dr. Weisman grew up in Atlanta, graduated with honors from Riverwood High School and went on to attend Brown University.  Read full bio>>

Don Bolia
Don Bolia, partner at Peachtree Government Affairs, and current lobbyist for the Georgia Society of Dermatologists, provides industry leaders with strategic advice on how legislative trends will impact their businesses and assists them in shaping policy debates at the state, federal, and local levels in Georgia.  Read full bio>>

Ken Warner
MAG Mutual Senior Claim Analyst
D. Gary Lovell, Jr.
Partner, Carlock & Copeland

As a litigation partner in the firm with 22 years experience, Gary’s trial practice includes representation of doctors, nurses, hospitals, nursing homes, allied health care providers, insurers of motor carriers and others in civil tort litigation. Gary counsels and represents brokers, agents, and business associations in insurance, business and employment related matters. Read full bio>>

Donald J. Palmisano Jr.
Donald J. Palmisano Jr. is the executive director and CEO of the Medical Association of Georgia, which is the leading voice for the medical profession in the state. Palmisano served as general counsel and then general counsel and director of government relations for MAG between 2005 and 2010. He represented individual physicians and hospitals and nursing homes as a private practice attorney in Louisiana from 1999 to 2005. Palmisano graduated magna cum laude from Loyola University in New Orleans, while he received his law degree from Loyola University’s School of Law. He is a member of the State Bar of Georgia, the Louisiana State Bar Association, the Lawyers Club of Atlanta, Leadership Atlanta, the Atlanta Bar Association, the American Bar Association, the American Society of Medical Association Counsel, and the Association of Corporate Counsel. Palmisano resides in Atlanta with his wife, Ana, and their four children.