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SHEA/CDC/AHA Hospital Epidemiology Training Course

Are you an infectious disease fellow who needs to learn more about hospital epidemiology? Are you an infectious disease program director who would like to respond to ACGME suggestions for increased infection control education for your trainees? Are you a newly appointed hospital infection control committee chair? Or are you an experienced practitioner in search of revitalization?

If you fit into any of these categories, then do we have a deal for you—the SHEA/CDC/AHA Hospital Epidemiology Training Course. Organized and taught by representatives from the most influential infection control organizations in the country, this course will be offered twice in 1992: September 17-20 in Atlanta, Georgia, and November 19-22 in Salt Lake City, Utah. The two offerings will allow more people to attend, in response to sell-out crowds at the once-a-year prior offerings of the course, without sacrificing the intimate, tutorial size of the program.

For more information contact Gina Pugliese at the American Hospital Association. Telephone (312) 280-6404; FAX (312) 280-6012.

ASM/SHEA Annual Meeting Includes ASM/SHEA Seminar and More

This year's annual American Society for Microbiology (ASM) meeting will be May 27-30, 1992, in New Orleans, Louisiana. If you're attending, look for the Division L (Nosocomial Infections) sessions.

We will be represented by the following four seminars, developed by Division Chair Dr. Bryan Simmons and Chair-Elect Dr. Robert Weinstein and organized by the seminar conveners:

"*Enterococcus* Symposium," Convener, Dr. John Boyce (Wednesday morning, May 27); "Sterilization, Varying Definitions, and Risks," Conveners, Drs. Martin Favero and William Jarvis (Thursday morning, May 28); "Quantitative Cultures in Hospital-Acquired Infections," Convener, Dr. Michael Pfaller (Thursday afternoon, May 28); and the

ASM/SHEA Symposium, "Protecting Workers/Protecting Patients: An Infection Control Dilemma for the 1990's," Convener, Dr. Michael Tapper (Friday morning, May 29).

In addition, there will be one oral session (Wednesday afternoon, May 27) and two poster sessions: "Epidemiologic Typing/Miscellaneous Nosocomial Infections" (Thursday afternoon, May 28) and "Emergence of Resistant Pathogens/Catheter-Related Infections" (Friday afternoon, May 29).

The Division L speaker will be SHEA Past-President Dr. C. Glen Mayhall, who will speak on "Diagnosis of Pneumonia" Wednesday afternoon (May 27) immediately preceding the oral slide session.

SHEA News and Newsletter Editor Search

The five-year term of the current editor of the Journal's SHEA News and of the SHEA quarterly Newsletter expires in December 1992. The Publications Committee is anxious to receive names of individuals who wish to be considered as candidates for this position. SHEA members who are interested and those

who would like to submit names of candidates should contact Dr. William Scheckler, Chair, Publications Committee, Department of Family Medicine and Practice, University of Wisconsin, 777 South Mills St., Madison, WI 53715. Telephone (608) 263-3637; FAX (608) 263-5813.