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EVENTS OF INTEREST

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Enjoy time travel! Of a sort, that is. With overlapping sessions, no one person could be at every session and presentation of the 2019 Vascular Annual Meeting. The VAM on Demand library permits buyers to see sessions they missed or review, at their own pace, others they did see. And those who couldn't attend VAM can still become informed on the educational opportunities. Cost for VAM attendees is \$99; cost for nonattendees is \$499. The fee purchases access to recordings and slides of hundreds of sessions and some videotaped sessions. Materials can be downloaded; access ends in June 2020. The library should be available in late July/early August. Visit vsweb.org/OnDemand19.

Next SVS Membership Deadline is September 1

For prospective members who didn't get their applications in by March 1 or even June 1, don't panic. There are two more opportunities in 2019 to apply. The Society for Vascular Surgery offers rolling deadlines, with membership applications due the first day of March, June, September, and December. Visit vsweb.org/JoinSVS. Be a part of all SVS has to offer.

23rd Annual Max R. Gaspar, M.D. Symposium: Carotid Artery Disease and Acute Stroke: Current Treatment Strategies

This event will take place Thursday, September 5, 2019 and is presented by the USC Division of Vascular Surgery and Endovascular Therapy in the Keck School of Medicine of USC, and the USC Office of Continuing Medical Education. The course directors are Vincent L. Rowe, MD, FACS, and Fred A. Weaver, MD, MMM.

This annual day-long symposium, honoring Dr Max R. Gaspar, has assembled fifteen distinguished faculty from across the country and the University of Southern California. This year, Dr Bruce A. Perler, MD, MBA, the Julius H. Jacobson, II, Professor of Surgery, at the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, in the Department of Surgery at The Johns Hopkins Hospital, will be featured as the Gaspar Visiting Professor. The event will again be held at the Millennium Biltmore Hotel in downtown Los Angeles.

To register, visit www.usc.edu/cme, click on Conference Calendar, and scroll to 23rd Annual Max R. Gaspar MD Symposium. Phone: (323) 442-2555; Fax: 1 (888) 665-8650; E-mail: usccme@usc.edu. On site: Crystal Ballroom, Millennium Biltmore Hotel.

Forty-sixth Annual Meeting of the New England Society for Vascular Surgery, September 13-15, 2019 – Omni Hotel – Providence, Rhode Island

Founded in 1973, the New England Society for Vascular Surgery was the first regional vascular society in the country. The Forty-sixth Annual Meeting of the New England Society for Vascular Surgery is designed to provide 2 and 1/2 days of comprehensive educational experiences in the fields of vascular surgery and disease, related sciences, and socioeconomic aspects of vascular surgical care.

It is the Society's intent to bring together surgeons, physicians, researchers, fellows, residents, allied health professionals, and students from around New England to discuss their latest clinical and research findings on various topics in vascular surgery and to collaborate to construct a robust program on current controversies or topics within the vascular community.

SVS Coding Course: Don't Leave Money on the Table

Whether an academic, surgeon in private practice or surgeon employed by a hospital, all attendees will learn to modify their coding and documentation to have positive outcomes at the 2019 SVS Coding and Reimbursement Workshop. The course changes locations this year, from downtown Chicago to the Hyatt Rosemont, just minutes from O'Hare International Airport. The workshop, a must-attend to stay up-to-date on billing and coding issues and optimize revenue, will be September 20-21. The event includes an optional half-day workshop on evaluation and management codes. Cost is \$880 for SVS members and staff; \$955 for nonmembers and \$250 for residents and trainees. The fee for the E&M workshop is \$100 for members and staff; \$125 for nonmembers and \$50 for residents and trainees. Visit vsweb.org/Coding19.

International Aortic Summit - Biennial Meeting, October 16-18, 2019 – Hilton Hotel & Casino, Palm Beach, Aruba

The 2019 International Aortic Summit will offer a comprehensive educational experience, creating a robust program that includes expert presentations from leaders in the fields of vascular and endovascular surgery. An extensive group of expert faculty will present and discuss topics about the latest advances in aortic surgery, such as fenestrated-branched endografts, thoracoabdominal repair, adjuncts to endo AAA repair, aortic occlusive disease, graft infection, imaging, aortic dissection and emergencies and new endovascular techniques. This outstanding biennial meeting began in Italy over 10 years ago but moved to the beautiful island of Aruba in 2015.

44th Annual Northwestern Vascular Symposium

The two and a half day conference will be held December 12-14, 2019 at the InterContinental Hotel, 505 N Michigan Ave, Chicago, Ill. It is sponsored by Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine, Division of Vascular Surgery, and the Office of Continuing Medical Education.

The program consists of a comprehensive overview of the full spectrum of vascular surgery and unites 50 national vascular care experts who each produce a chapter on their respective topic, which is published in a yearly textbook, and who will also present their topic at the symposium. For more information, visit either the CME website at www.cme.northwestern.edu, or the Vascular Symposium website at <https://www.surgery.northwestern.edu/division/vascular/education/vascular-symposium.html>.

Save the Date for VAM 2020 With VAM '18 Just Finished, Save the Date for 2019

No sooner does the curtain come down on one Vascular Annual Meeting then planning begins for the next. Save the date for the 2020 version, to be held June 17 to 20 at the Toronto Convention Center in Toronto, Canada. Scientific Sessions will be June 18 to 20 and exhibits will be open June 18 to 19. Mark those days now!

Please note that passports and/or travel documents will be required for most attendees. Be sure to update your passport early.

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