



# *Emerging Challenges In Primary Care: 2016*

## Activity Evaluation Summary

**CME Activity:** Emerging Challenges in Primary Care: 2016  
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In June 2016, the National Association for Continuing Education (NACE) sponsored a CME program, *Emerging Challenges in Primary Care: 2016*, in Columbus, OH.

This educational activity was designed to provide primary care physicians, nurse practitioners, physician assistants and other primary care providers the opportunity to learn about varied conditions such as Heart Failure, Diabetes, Hypercholesterolemia, and Lung Cancer Screening.

In planning this CME activity, the NACE performed a needs assessment. A literature search was conducted, national guidelines were reviewed, survey data was analyzed, and experts in each therapeutic area were consulted to determine gaps in practitioner knowledge, competence or performance.

One hundred fifty six healthcare practitioners registered to attend *Emerging Challenges in Primary Care: 2016* in Columbus, OH. Eighty five healthcare practitioners actually attended this conference. Each attendee was asked to complete and return an activity evaluation form prior to the end of the conference. Eighty five completed forms were received. The data collected is displayed in this report.

#### CME ACCREDITATION

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Maintenance of Certification: Successful completion of this activity, which includes participation in the evaluation component, enables the participant to earn up to 6 MOC points in the American Board of Internal Medicine's (ABIM) Maintenance of Certification (MOC) program. It is the CME activity providers' responsibility to submit participant completion information to ACCME for the purpose of granting ABIM MOC credit.

Through the American Board of Medical Specialties ("ABMS") and Association of American Medical Colleges' ("AAMC") joint initiative (ABMS MOC Directory) to create a wide array of Maintenance of Certification ("MOC") Activities, Emerging Challenges in Primary Care has met

the MOC requirements as a MOC Part II CME Activity by the following ABMS Member Boards: American Board of Family Medicine and American Board of Preventive Medicine.

# Integrated Item Analysis Report

What is your professional degree?

Response	Frequency	Percent	Mean: -
MD	54	65.06	
DO	5	6.02	
NP	17	20.48	
PA	3	3.61	
RN	0	0.00	
Other	1	1.20	
<b>No Response</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4.82</b>	

Indicate the number of patients you see each week in a clinical setting regarding each therapeutic area listed: Hypercholesterolemia:

Response	Frequency	Percent	Mean: 4.11
None	16	19.28	
1-5	7	8.43	
6-10	10	12.05	
11-15	12	14.46	
16-20	8	9.64	
21-25	8	9.64	
> 25	19	22.89	
<b>No Response</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3.61</b>	

Upon completion of this activity, I can now: Know the risk factors for heart failure and the role of biomarkers in diagnosis and treatment; Recognize the importance of heart rate in cardiovascular risk of heart failure; Utilize the most recent clinical evidence to inform their decisions for the management of heart failure; Identify approaches to facilitate early recognition and optimization of heart failure management?; Describe pathophysiologic factors contributing to increased risk of heart failure among African Americans and other ethnic minorities.

Response	Frequency	Percent	Mean: 1.12
Yes	72	86.75	
Somewhat	10	12.05	
Not at all	0	0.00	
<b>No Response</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1.20</b>	

Indicate the number of patients you see each week in a clinical setting regarding each therapeutic area listed: Heart Failure:

Response	Frequency	Percent	Mean: 2.40
None	23	27.71	
1-5	32	38.55	
6-10	11	13.25	
11-15	8	9.64	
16-20	2	2.41	
21-25	3	3.61	
> 25	2	2.41	
<b>No Response</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2.41</b>	

Indicate the number of patients you see each week in a clinical setting regarding each therapeutic area listed: Diabetes:

Response	Frequency	Percent	Mean: 4.04
None	16	19.28	
1-5	9	10.84	
6-10	9	10.84	
11-15	10	12.05	
16-20	10	12.05	
21-25	10	12.05	
> 25	16	19.28	
<b>No Response</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3.61</b>	

Upon completion of this activity, I can now: Discuss the benefits of LDL-C lowering with pharmacologic therapies that improve cardiovascular outcomes; Define the appropriate use of non-statin medications in addition to statin therapy; Discuss the role of anti-PCSK9 monoclonal antibody therapy in LDL-C reduction to achieve cardiovascular risk reduction; Recognize and develop appropriate treatment strategies for special populations (women, elderly, ethnic minorities) that would benefit from lipid lowering therapy.

Response	Frequency	Percent	Mean: 1.15
Yes	69	83.13	
Somewhat	12	14.46	
Not at all	0	0.00	
<b>No Response</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2.41</b>	

Upon completion of this activity, I can now: Recognize the role of postprandial hyperglycemia in type 2 diabetes (T2DM) patients not at target and examine its role in the pathogenesis of diabetic complications; Utilize glucagon-like peptide (GLP)-1 receptor agonist (GLP-1 RA) therapy to address post-prandial hyperglycemia in ways current fixed dose strategies do not; Compare GLP-1 RAs for glycemic efficacy and differential impact on postprandial glycemic control; Discuss various GLP-1 RA combination strategies to effectively control fasting and post-prandial hyperglycemia.

Response	Frequency	Percent	Mean: 1.12
Yes	69	83.13	
Somewhat	9	10.84	
Not at all	0	0.00	
No Response	5	6.02	

Overall, this was an excellent CME activity:

Response	Frequency	Percent	Mean: 1.27
Strongly Agree	59	71.08	
Agree	22	26.51	
Neutral	0	0.00	
Disagree	0	0.00	
Strongly Disagree	0	0.00	
No Response	2	2.41	

As a result of this activity, I have learned new and useful strategies for patient care:

Response	Frequency	Percent	Mean: 1.35
Strongly Agree	56	67.47	
Agree	22	26.51	
Neutral	3	3.61	
Disagree	0	0.00	
Strongly Disagree	0	0.00	
No Response	2	2.41	

As a result of this activity, I have learned new strategies for patient care. List these strategies:

Response
Newer medication - combination of meds
Manage Beta-blockers better
Increase use of Ezetimide, Valsartan/GLP-1's, lung cancer screening
Management of heart failure therapies. Use of non-statin therapies
Use of medications in CHF - Ezetimibe
Earlier use of GLP-1's, rate control in CHF to include Ivabradine if needed, continue use of Zetia. Use sacubitril/valsartan, aware of lung screening recommendations, but must discuss with patient
Earlier intervention with CHF, Dyslipidemia. Adding alternative medications in T2DM. Proper screening for lung cancer
Implementing GLP-1 for post prandial hyperglycemia to add to toolbox for treating Type 2 Diabetes
I am not in clinical practice

Upon completion of this activity, I can now: Become familiar with the current USPSTF recommendations on lung cancer screening; Recognize the risks and benefits of screening for lung cancer; Engage appropriate patients in the lung cancer screening process.

Response	Frequency	Percent	Mean: 1.08
Yes	67	80.72	
Somewhat	6	7.23	
Not at all	0	0.00	
No Response	10	12.05	

Overall, this activity was effective in improving my knowledge in the content areas presented:

Response	Frequency	Percent	Mean: 1.28
Strongly Agree	58	69.88	
Agree	23	27.71	
Neutral	0	0.00	
Disagree	0	0.00	
Strongly Disagree	0	0.00	
No Response	2	2.41	

How likely are you to implement these new strategies in your practice?

Response	Frequency	Percent	Mean: 1.84
Very likely	44	53.01	
Somewhat likely	20	24.10	
Unlikely	1	1.20	
Not applicable	15	18.07	
No Response	3	3.61	

**As a result of this activity, I have learned new strategies for patient care. List these strategies:**

<b>Response</b>
Adding newer agents for CHF which is not controlled. Starting GLP-1 as Step 2
New ways to manage HF - different modality. Use of PCSK9 drugs to lower LDL. Treatment of familial hypercholesterolemia. Screening for lung cancer pros/cons
After understanding of the paradigm study, will apply the treatment to my patients
I'm retired
Various ways to control HR in CHF
Prevention; switching meds sooner
Use less fibrates. Consider use of PCSK-9
Slides were complete. Could download which was helpful. I would have liked to know ahead so I could have brought my computer
Use of new agents for heart failure
Looking at post prandial blood sugars as the cause for high A1C
Review HF guidelines. Increase knowledge of PSK-9
Using Ivabridine, Saubritral/Valdertan plus isosorbide/hydralazine for CHF as guidelines recommend. Understand PCSK9 inhibitors and not sure I will use it, but will discuss with patients and discuss with our cardiologists
Updated information on treatment of patients with HF, checking to see if AA patients are on isosorbide/hydralazine when diagnosed with HF
Treat with medications per 2016 recommendations
Learned fiber and niacin are not evidence based treatments far and wide
Use of isosorbide and hydralazine in African Americans with congestive heart failure
Be more aware of CHF risk factors and Rx more aggressively. Discuss lung cancer screening with more data
Implementing current recommendations of lipid management. Lung cancer screening discussion with shared decision making. Optimization for heart failure management
Use evidence based guidelines in managing patients
Helps me understand my rheumatology patient's drug lists. Keeps me informed of new meds and how they are used
I am not in primary care; nonetheless the conference sheds light on conditions I see in our patients
Use of newer agents for CHF to lipidemas to T2DM control
Learned about new lowering therapies
The controversial aspect of screening for lung cancer
Restricted by VA formulary
Medication titration
Apply GLP-1 agonist with Glarzine to cover post prandial hyperglycemia
Better management of patients with heart failure based on recommendations. More aggressive treatment of hypercholesterolemia on high risk patients
Add on therapy with non-statins when not at LDL goal
Recommend initiating GLP-1 sooner
New information on Ivabradine
Look at race - I worked hard to be color blind - now I must consciously consider it
Reduce class II or class III HF patients HR to less than 70 bpm. Patient at goal with FBS but HA1c <9 add GLP-1 RA and basal insulin
Use lower doses of statin for Rx with statin related symptoms
Utilizing BNP and choosing treatment in patients with CHF and utilizing statins and non-statins for therapy
Currently work in pediatrics. Would refer to specialist because use of medications discussed are not typically approved in pediatric use
More confident on CHF management. More confident on using GLP-1
More options for elevated lipid treatment. More options for DM treatment
Continue with statin therapy and adjust dose accordingly to patient tolerance. Importance of treating hyperlipidemia in African American patients

**As a result of this activity, I have learned new strategies for patient care. List these strategies:**

Response
Use of Entresto as a category 1 recommendation and Bidol in African American patients
Evidence based findings for HF, DM, lung cancer
Consider options available for advanced heart failure to reduce mortality
More prepared to assess HF therapy and initiate
Better rate control in patients with HF. Better medication selection in HF. Reinforce PP BS control

**When do you intend to implement these new strategies into your practice?**

Response	Frequency	Percent	Mean: 1.93
Within 1 month	42	50.60	
1-3 months	19	22.89	
4-6 months	2	2.41	
Not applicable	17	20.48	
<b>No Response</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3.61</b>	

**In terms of delivery of the presentation, please rate the effectiveness of the speaker: Priscilla Pemu, MD, MSCR, FACP - Heart Failure Part II:**

Response	Frequency	Percent	Mean: 4.60
Excellent	53	63.86	
Very Good	24	28.92	
Good	4	4.82	
Fair	0	0.00	
Unsatisfactory	0	0.00	
<b>No Response</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2.41</b>	

**In terms of delivery of the presentation, please rate the effectiveness of the speaker: Karol E. Watson, MD, PhD - Beyond Statins:**

Response	Frequency	Percent	Mean: 4.81
Excellent	63	75.90	
Very Good	15	18.07	
Good	0	0.00	
Fair	0	0.00	
Unsatisfactory	0	0.00	
<b>No Response</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6.02</b>	

**In terms of delivery of the presentation, please rate the effectiveness of the speaker: Priscilla Pemu, MD, MSCR, FACP - Heart Failure Part I:**

Response	Frequency	Percent	Mean: 4.58
Excellent	52	62.65	
Very Good	22	26.51	
Good	6	7.23	
Fair	0	0.00	
Unsatisfactory	0	0.00	
<b>No Response</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3.61</b>	

**In terms of delivery of the presentation, please rate the effectiveness of the speaker: Karol E. Watson, MD, PhD - Heart Failure Part II:**

Response	Frequency	Percent	Mean: 4.90
Excellent	73	87.95	
Very Good	8	9.64	
Good	0	0.00	
Fair	0	0.00	
Unsatisfactory	0	0.00	
<b>No Response</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2.41</b>	

**In terms of delivery of the presentation, please rate the effectiveness of the speaker: Louis Kuritzky, MD - Using GLP-1 RA in Diabetes:**

Response	Frequency	Percent	Mean: 4.88
Excellent	63	75.90	
Very Good	9	10.84	
Good	0	0.00	
Fair	0	0.00	
Unsatisfactory	0	0.00	
<b>No Response</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>13.25</b>	

In terms of delivery of the presentation, please rate the effectiveness of the speaker: Louis Kuritzky, MD - Lung Cancer:

Response	Frequency	Percent	Mean: 4.89
Excellent	58	69.88	
Very Good	7	8.43	
Good	0	0.00	
Fair	0	0.00	
Unsatisfactory	0	0.00	
No Response	18	21.69	

To what degree do you believe that the subject matter was presented fair, balanced, and free of commercial bias? Priscilla Pemu, MD, MSCR, FACP - Heart Failure Part II:

Response	Frequency	Percent	Mean: 4.70
Excellent	62	74.70	
Very Good	14	16.87	
Good	5	6.02	
Fair	0	0.00	
Unsatisfactory	0	0.00	
No Response	2	2.41	

To what degree do you believe that the subject matter was presented fair, balanced, and free of commercial bias? Karol E. Watson, MD, PhD - Beyond Statins:

Response	Frequency	Percent	Mean: 4.74
Excellent	61	73.49	
Very Good	14	16.87	
Good	3	3.61	
Fair	0	0.00	
Unsatisfactory	0	0.00	
No Response	5	6.02	

To what degree do you believe that the subject matter was presented fair, balanced, and free of commercial bias? Louis Kuritzky, MD - Lung Cancer:

Response	Frequency	Percent	Mean: 4.83
Excellent	63	75.90	
Very Good	11	13.25	
Good	1	1.20	
Fair	0	0.00	
Unsatisfactory	0	0.00	
No Response	8	9.64	

To what degree do you believe that the subject matter was presented fair, balanced, and free of commercial bias? Priscilla Pemu, MD, MSCR, FACP - Heart Failure Part I:

Response	Frequency	Percent	Mean: 4.70
Excellent	60	72.29	
Very Good	16	19.28	
Good	4	4.82	
Fair	0	0.00	
Unsatisfactory	0	0.00	
No Response	3	3.61	

To what degree do you believe that the subject matter was presented fair, balanced, and free of commercial bias? Karol E. Watson, MD, PhD - Heart Failure Part II:

Response	Frequency	Percent	Mean: 4.75
Excellent	65	78.31	
Very Good	12	14.46	
Good	4	4.82	
Fair	0	0.00	
Unsatisfactory	0	0.00	
No Response	2	2.41	

To what degree do you believe that the subject matter was presented fair, balanced, and free of commercial bias? Louis Kuritzky, MD - Using GLP-1 RA in Diabetes:

Response	Frequency	Percent	Mean: 4.75
Excellent	60	72.29	
Very Good	13	15.66	
Good	3	3.61	
Fair	0	0.00	
Unsatisfactory	0	0.00	
No Response	7	8.43	

Which statement(s) best reflects your reasons for participating in this activity:

Response	Frequency	Percent	Mean: -
Topics covered	58	69.88	
Location/ease of access	63	75.90	
Faculty	14	16.87	
Earn CME credits	67	80.72	
No Response	4	4.82	



**Future CME activities concerning this subject matter are necessary:**

Response	Frequency	Percent	Mean: 1.69
Strongly agree	35	42.17	
Agree	35	42.17	
Neutral	10	12.05	
Disagree	0	0.00	
Strongly Disagree	0	0.00	
No Response	3	3.61	

**What topics would you like to see offered as CME activities in the future?**

Response
Neurological disorders - Alzheimer's, Dementia, CUA, TIA, brain cancers
Thyroid cancer, colon cancer, MS, Parkinson's, tremors
Dementia, what works for cancer risk reduction
I was expecting a lecture on gout. Very good speakers - knowledgeable
Chronic kidney disease, COPD
Immunology update. Management of female alopecia. Trends in treatment of infertility
Opioid use
Update in management of COPD/Asthma. Update in management of Osteoarthritis
Any topics in primary care
Topics other than cardiovascular disease and diabetes
New combinations of COPD drugs. SGLP drugs
Psychotropics - guidelines, evidence based treatment. COPD. Evidence-based guidelines. Insulin therapy - new guidelines/VGO
Lipids
Geriatrics. Wound care. Nephrology. Medical application of genetic testing
Dermatology
Dermatology. Alternative healthcare
Management of Bipolar Disorder. Hyperlipidemia
Evidence based/practice guidelines for HTN, IIDM
Pain management for patients with chronic diseases (CDPD, RA, DA)
PTSD. Eating disorders
Alzheimer's, Dementia with psychosis in geriatric population
E-cigarettes. Management of chronic kidney disease
Managing/pharmacology of Bipolar. Prostate cancer screening. Pediatric well visits. Autism
Pain management guidelines. Pediatric topics
New guidelines - some ambiguity, clinical trials results pending 2017-8. Evaluation and management of headaches, chronic pain syndrome, Dementia
Keep up the good job
Gout. Prostate Cancer
Infectious diseases. Pediatric diseases. GI diseases
Abdominal pain
Insulin management DM II
Bipolar disorder. GI topics. Dermatology topics
Myocardial infarction. CAD
Hypertension management. Renal insufficiency
Need to explore your website

**What topics would you like to see offered as CME activities in the future?**

Response
Expanding into pediatric issues that may be faced in primary care. Dermatology for the primary care provider
Reconciling indication and safety/guideline quoted recommendations/agonists poly pharmacy (typically b9 pill count)
Diagnosis and treatment of ADHD in adults
For learning experience, any topic is helpful/important. Excellent presentation. As a Psychiatrist, only monitor patients, but never treat
Sports medicine for Primary Care. Dermatology for Primary Care
Hepatitis C
GI, Diabetes, Migraine, Urology, Psychiatry, birth control, pain control, CVA, Zetia, cancer, prostate cancer
Antibiotic resistance. Heroin epidemic - what can we do - addiction. Pain management - opioid use - how, when, where

**Additional comments:**

Response
Excellent conference - thank you
Speakers and topics are excellent. I enjoyed this conference a lot
If I had known the caliber of the faculty, that would be an additional best reason to attend this activity
The Turning Point pre/post questions should be re-evaluated for statin talk
Enjoyed the conference overall
Excellent program
I don't actually see patients, but I assess claimants for social security disability by looking at all evidence received from all their treating sources
Excellent program as always. You do a great job. Especially appreciated R. Watson
I'm retired, but love these conferences. Thank you sincerely
There were no signs at entry indicating where lecture room was
Excellent
More credit for American Board Family Medicine for the particular categories to get board certification and take test every 10 years. Slides were so up to date, which was great. Karol would mention changes that occurred the day before and they were on the slide. Dr. Kuritsky seemed to be more clear with the correct answers on the test
Thanks for having us today
None
Very good
Excellent speakers. Good insight into Primary Care issues
Don't change the month of CME
Thank you
I was unfamiliar with speakers prior to this conference, but all were excellent and I would enjoy hearing any of them again
Was an excellent program
The topics were very relevant to daily practice and I was able to pick up many clinical pearls
Excellent meeting
Please let us know the room (and general location) before the conference. I went to a 'Comicom" and 2 other medication conferences before I found NACE
An excellent CME activity
All presentations were excellent
I appreciate this thrifty course. Well organized and informative
Some slides too busy and hard to see. Thank you for the conference
Thank you for the conference
Great conference! Thanks