

Advanced Bariatric Life Support Course

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Course Information

The ASBS had estimated that more than 120,000 bariatric operations were performed in the US in 2004. As bariatric surgery is now a commonly performed gastrointestinal procedure, it is important for surgeons, nurses, critical care specialists, and emergency health care professionals caring for the bariatric patients to recognize complications associated with bariatric surgery. Early recognition and management of complications has the greatest opportunity to impact outcome.

Accreditation

The American Society for Bariatric Surgery (ASBS) is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) to provide continuing medical education for physicians. The ASBS designates the continuing medical education activity for up to 7.0 credit hours in Category 1 of the Physician's Recognition Award of the American Medical Association. Each physician should claim only those hours he/she spent in the educational activity.

Americans with Disabilities Act

The ASBS wishes to take those steps to ensure no individual with a disability is excluded, denied services, segregated, or otherwise related differently because of the absence of auxiliary aids and services identified in the Americans with Disabilities Act. If any such services are necessary in order to participate in the conference, please communicate your needs in advance.

Information

Contact: ASBS Office
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Location/Lodging

The ABLS Course will be held at the Westin St. Francis, 335 Powell St., San Francisco, CA. You may call the hotel directly for reservations at 415.397.7000. If you are attending the American College of Surgeons meeting, reservations should be made through them.

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COURSE OVERVIEW AND TARGET AUDIENCE:

This course is designed for the bariatric surgeons, general surgeons who provide call coverage for **bariatric surgeons, ER physicians, Critical Care specialists, Hospitalists, Internists who manage post-op bariatric patients, and Bariatric Nursing staff.** The ABLS is an organized approach for evaluation and management of seriously life-threatening conditions in bariatric patients. The program gives a foundation of common knowledge for all members of the bariatric team. This knowledge is applicable in both large tertiary hospitals as well as small rural emergency departments.

Objectives

Upon completion of this activity participants should be able to:

1. Assess the patient's condition expeditiously
2. Resuscitate and stabilize the patient
3. Determine if the patient's needs exceed a facility's capabilities (such as the need for interventional radiology and a scanner capable of accommodating the superobese)
4. Arrange appropriately for the patient's definitive care by a bariatric surgeon and specialists with experience in caring for the morbidly obese
5. Ensure that optimum care is provided by an experienced bariatric surgical team in a facility capable of caring for critically ill bariatric patient



Course Outline

7:00 a.m.	Registration and Continental Breakfast
7:50 a.m.	Welcome and Introduction
SESSION 1: The Critically Ill Bariatric Patient	
8:05 a.m.	Recognizing impending disaster in the morbidly obese and institute early intervention and resuscitation (Kelvin Higa, MD)
8:30 a.m.	Prerequisite personnel, equipment, critical care pathways, and facility to care for the critically ill bariatric patients, include the need for transfer to tertiary centers (Ninh Nguyen, MD)
9:00 a.m.	Acute respiratory failure Pulmonary emboli, and DVT after bariatric surgery, Airway and ventilatory management for bariatric patients (J. K. Champion, MD)
9:30 a.m.	Break
SESSION 2: Impending Abdominal Catastrophes, Moderator	
10:00 a.m.	Leaks, etiology, diagnosis operative and non-operative management (J. K. Champion, MD)
10:30 a.m.	Post-op bleeds, intra-luminal and intra-abdominal (Ninh T. Nguyen, MD)
11:00 a.m.	Small bowel obstruction, internal hernias, closed loop obstruction and ischemic bowel after bariatric surgery – recognition and management (Kelvin Higa, MD, Daniel Herron, MD)
11:30 a.m.	Damage control laparotomy with acute compartment syndrome (J. K. Champion, MD)
12:00 noon	Lunch
Mock Patient Case Studies	
1:00 p.m.	Acute PE/Respiratory Failure
1:45 p.m.	Post-op leaks and sepsis (gastro-jejunostomy, distal stomach, etrero-enterostomy)
2:30 p.m.	Break
3:00 p.m.	Post-op bowel obstructions (closed loop, internal hernias, biliary limb obstruction)
3:45 p.m.	Post-op bleeding (intra-luminal and intra-abdominal)
4:30 p.m.	Evaluation and Adjourn
ATTENDEE/FACULTY RECEPTION 4:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.	

Advanced Bariatric Life Support Course Registration Form

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