AGENDA

5 PM Registration and Light Buffet

5:55 PM Welcome

6 PM Diagnosing Alzheimer’s: Role of the Center of Excellence
An overview of the CEAD development, new CMS requirements regarding cognitive screening
Lory Bright-Long, MD, Medical Director, Center of Excellence for Alzheimer’s Disease; Assistant Professor, Department of Psychiatry

6:20 PM Assessing Caregiver Burden
Strategies for office evaluation, management, and referral of caregiver stress
Darlene Jyringi, MPS, Program Director, Center of Excellence for Alzheimer’s Disease

6:40 – 6:50 PM Break

6:50 PM Update on PET Imaging in Alzheimer’s Disease
An overview of current uses of neuroradiology in the diagnosis of dementing processes and the new availability of the IDEAS registry project
Ramin Parsey, MD, PhD, Della Pietra Chair of Biomedical Imaging; Co-Director, Neurosciences Institute; Professor and Chair, Department Psychiatry

7:10 PM Neurocognitive Testing for Your Practice: Pros and Cons
An overview of current uses of the neurocognitive screening tools for the busy office and when to refer for more in-depth neuropsychological testing
Nehal Vadhan, PhD, Clinical Psychologist, Center for Understanding Biology Using Imaging Technology; Research Assistant Professor, Department of Psychiatry

7:30 PM Panel Discussion /Audience Q&A

7:55 PM Closing Remarks and Evaluations
OBJECTIVES

This CME activity is designed to educate the primary care, adult psychiatry, and neurology providers on the expectations of NYDOH and CMS regarding screening for and managing aspects of cognitive loss/dementia.

The participants will have:

• Increased knowledge of the mission of the statewide CEADs
• Understanding of the recommendations of CMS for annual well health visits of all Medicare recipients
• Competence in the recognition of caregiver stress/burden
• Knowledge of referral sources for individuals with cognitive loss/dementia and their caregivers
• Competence in referring patients for neuroradiologic studies to enhance diagnosis of cognitive loss/dementia
• Knowledge of the IDEAS registry and how their patients can take advantage of the program
• Performance of office cognitive screening for cognitive loss that will improve patient outcome
• Knowledge of the benefits of when to refer patient for additional neuropsychological studies

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