

## CCF Cardiology Noon Conference Series Curriculum

**J-31 CICU Case Conference:** A case based conference presented by the 1<sup>st</sup> year fellow after their J-31 month. The fellow usually chooses a particularly challenging or unusual case from their month, allowing time for the group to work through the case and imaging findings. The staff in attendance provides teaching points. Often many of the fellows who were involved in the case discuss the diagnostic studies they performed. This is the premier conference of the month. (Monthly)

**MI Conference:** Case based conference presented by the 2<sup>nd</sup> year fellow after their J-31 month. The fellow presents 5-6 complicated MI cases from their month in J-31 and the audience discusses the management options. The fellow provides follow-up on outcomes. This conference is very well attended by general fellows, as well as interventional staff and fellows. (Monthly)

**CICU Morbidity and Mortality:** Case based conference presented by the 2<sup>nd</sup> year fellow after their J-31 month. The fellows' present cases involving adverse events and solicits feedback from peers and attending staff on how management strategies could have been improved. (Monthly)

**Echo Conference:** A weekly CV imaging conference presented by the fellows and/or staff. The staff presents didactic lectures on topics ranging from echo physics to complex valve disease and congenital anomalies. There are several consistent lecture formats each month. (Monthly – Required – Noon)

**Echo Conference:** The 2<sup>nd</sup> year fellow on TTE presents a didactic talk on a specific topic with case illustrations.

**TEE conference:** The 3<sup>rd</sup> year fellow on TEE discusses interesting cases from their month, usually focusing on a theme.

**Congenital Conference:** Colleagues from our Pediatric and Adult Congenital present a conference on a topic of their choice in Congenital Heart Disease.

**Advanced Imaging Fellows Conference:** The imaging fellows present and discuss Echo cases, usually around a theme.

**Nuclear Conference:** The 1<sup>st</sup> year Stress fellow, 2<sup>nd</sup> year PET fellow, and the 3<sup>rd</sup> year HOT LAB fellow present nuclear imaging cases and correlate the findings with cath results. Drs. Cerqueira, Brunken, and Jaber are the discussants. (Every Other Month)

**Interventional / Cath Lab Conference:** Interventional staff present a conference discussing various issues in interventional cardiology, from the basics of cardiac catheterization to advanced topics such as multivessel PCI and stent choice. (Monthly)

**EP Conference:** EP Staff provide didactic lectures on a comprehensive set of topics, including arrhythmia diagnosis, management strategies and an introduction to ablative therapies. (Monthly)

**Journal Club:** A 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> year fellow presents an article for review and critique by the fellows and faculty. This conference typically culminates in a lively discourse among the staff – often the leaders in the field! (Every Other Month)

**C5/Research Conference:** Dr. Lincoff and other members of the Cleveland Clinic Cardiovascular Coordinating Center (C5) present chalk talks on clinical epidemiology, statistics, and study design. The

goal is to help gain the requisite statistical skills to properly design and execute their research projects. (Every Other Month)

**CHF Conference:** The Heart Failure/Transplant staff present a lecture series addressing topics in the evaluation and therapy of heart failure, cardiomyopathies, drug therapies, transplant evaluation, molecular biology of heart failure, etc. (Monthly)

**ECG Conference:** A practical ECG interpretation series presented by the director of Electrocardiography at CCF, Dr Donald Underwood, or other Clinical Cardiology Staff. The ECGs are given out in advance and the staff teach not only the correct coding of the ECG (for the Boards) but also the subtleties of the tracings. (Monthly)

**Cardiac Pathology:** Faculty from the department of cardiovascular pathology present anatomic specimens in a case-based format for didactic and hands-on learning. (Every Other Month)

**Touchie Feelie:** This fellowship meeting designed to allow all the fellows to communicate directly with Dr. Menon and voice any concerns or issues that they may have. Many program improvements have come from this discussion. (Monthly)

**Heart Center Grand Rounds Controversies:** This is an informal session with the Heart Center Grand Rounds speaker during which the fellows have the opportunity to ask questions or raise issues not addressed during the morning Grand Rounds Lecture. This is an excellent opportunity to meet with leaders in Cardiology from all over the world. (Weekly – Required – Noon).

**Research Conference:** 3<sup>rd</sup> year fellows present their research projects for discussion and feedback. (Every Other Month)

**Other Conferences:**

**Fellows Morning Report** (7:00am Thursdays): This is one of the best attended by the staff and fellows!!

The 1<sup>st</sup> year fellows present cases from the consult service or from clinic and the audience works their way through the cases out loud in an informal setting. (Weekly)

**Cath Lab M&M:** The Interventional fellows present cases and the Interventional staff comments. (Weekly – 7:30am)

**EP Morning Conference:** The EP fellows and staff present electrograms and discuss topics in EP in a roundtable format with the EP fellows. (Weekly – 7:30am)

**Imaging Conference:** The imaging staff holds an informal didactic session in the Echo reading room for the imaging fellows and interested general fellows. (Weekly – 7:30am)