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**Emerging Challenges
in Primary Care: 2006
Conference**
October 14-15, 2006

*Tampa, Florida
Crowne Plaza Tampa East*

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**Program Evaluation
December 13, 2006**

Introduction

In October 2006, NACE sponsored a CME program, *Emerging Challenges in Primary Care: 2006*, in Tampa, FL. The conference was geared toward physicians, physician's assistants, and nurse practitioners. The program provided Primary Care Providers the opportunity to learn first hand from national thought leaders in their field. The goal of the program was to provide a clearer understanding of the most common disease processes, in light of the rapid scientific advances.

Eighty-three healthcare providers attended *Emerging Challenges in Primary Care: 2006* in October in Tampa, FL. Each attendee was asked to complete and return a conference satisfaction and planning form and a needs assessment form prior to the end of the conference. Seventy-eight completed forms were received. The data collected is displayed in this report.

Conference Schedule

Saturday, October 14, 2006

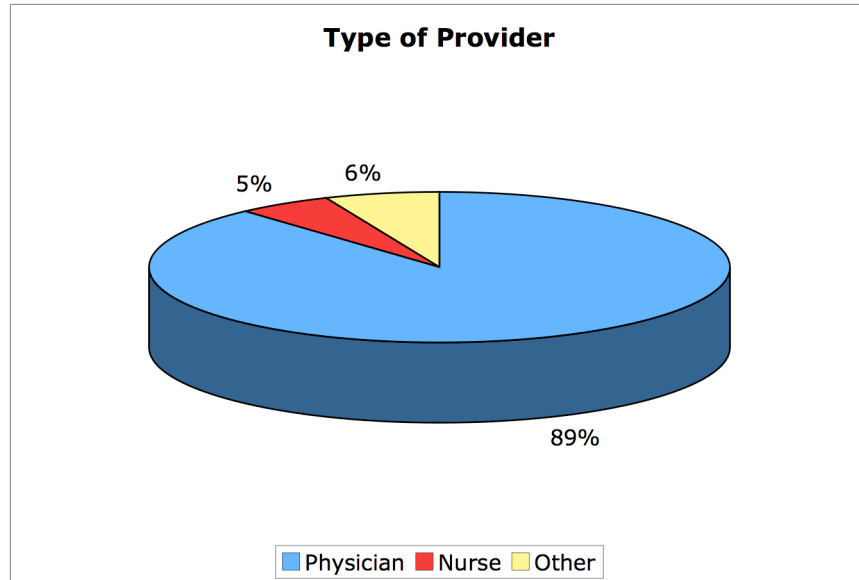
7:30-8:10	Continental Breakfast and Registration
8:10-8:20	Welcome Remarks — Gregg Sherman, MD
8:20-9:20	Insulin Resistance: From Impaired Glucose Tolerance to Type 2 Diabetes – Pathophysiologic Origins, Progression to Diabetes, Prevention of Atherosclerosis Patrick Boyle, MD
9:20-10:20	Treatment Early in the Time Course of Type 2 Diabetes Patrick Boyle, MD
10:20-10:40	Break/Vendor Area
10:40-11:40	Optimizing Therapy with Insulin in Type 2 Diabetes Bresta Miranda-Palmer, MD
11:40-12:40	Thyroid nodules: Evaluation and Treatment Options John Tourtelot, MD
12:40-1:30	Lunch
1:30-2:30	Evaluating Disease Severity in COPD: The Value of Patient Centered Outcomes Tom Ferro, MD
2:30-3:30	Pulmonary Arterial Hypertension Franck F. Rahaghi, MD, MHS, FCCP
3:30-3:50	Break
3:50-4:50	Diastolic Heart Failure: Pathophysiology and Treatment Options Stuart Katz, MD

Sunday, October 15, 2006

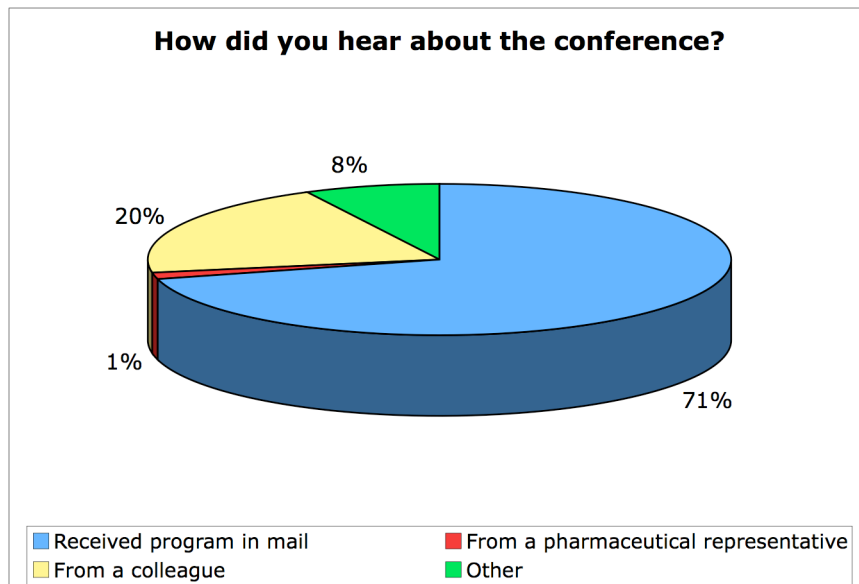
7:30-8:20	Continental Breakfast and Welcome
8:20-9:10	The Lipid Hypothesis – From Plaque Formation to Cardiovascular Events: The Role of Lipid Lowering Therapy Josh Furman, MD
9:10-10:00	Hypertension – The Role of the Renin-Angiotensin System, Focus on Target Organ Damage Josh Furman, MD
10:00-10:20	Break/Vendor Area
10:20-11:10	Anemia in Chronic Kidney Disease: Clinical Implications and Treatment Options William McClellan, Jr., MD, MPH
11:10-12:00	Paving the way to Relief in Chronic Constipation Brooks D. Cash, MD, FACP
12:00	Conference Wrap Up Gregg Sherman, MD

Participant Information

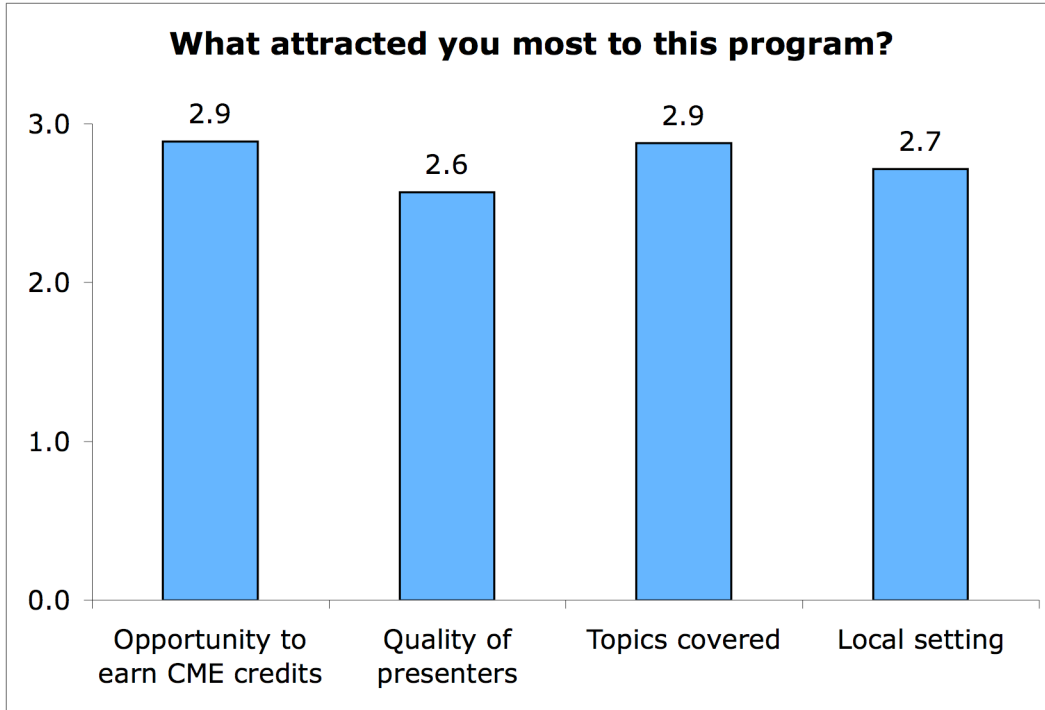
Eighty-nine percent of attendees were physicians, the majority specializing in Internal Medicine and Family Practice. Nurse practitioners and physician assistants comprised 6% of attendees. Nurses comprised 5% of the attendees.



Seventy-one percent of attendees heard about the conference through the mailed program. The remainder of attendees heard about the program from a colleague (20%), from a pharmaceutical representative (1%), or from another source (8%).

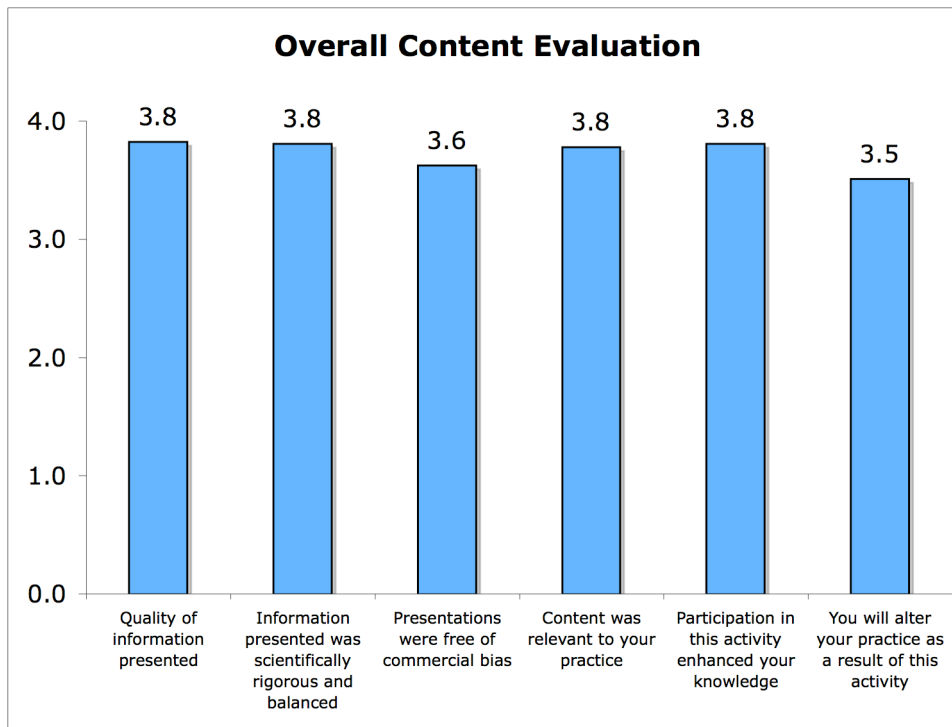
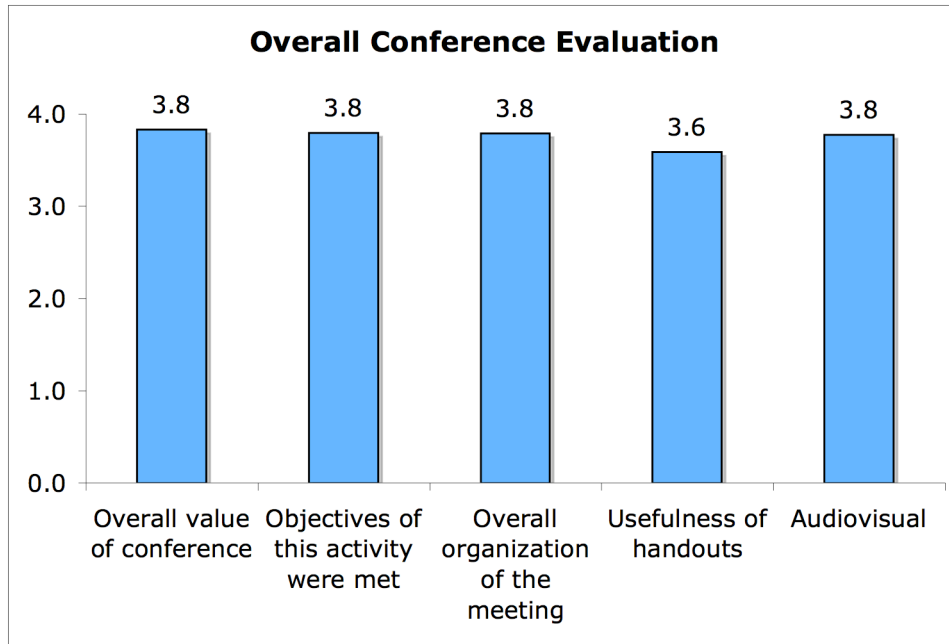


Attendees were asked to rate the importance of the aspects that attracted them to the program as “Not At All Important”, “Somewhat Important”, or “Very Important”. All aspects were rated on average as “Very Important”, with opportunity to earn CME credits and topics covered as most important (average score of 2.9 on a 3.0 scale).

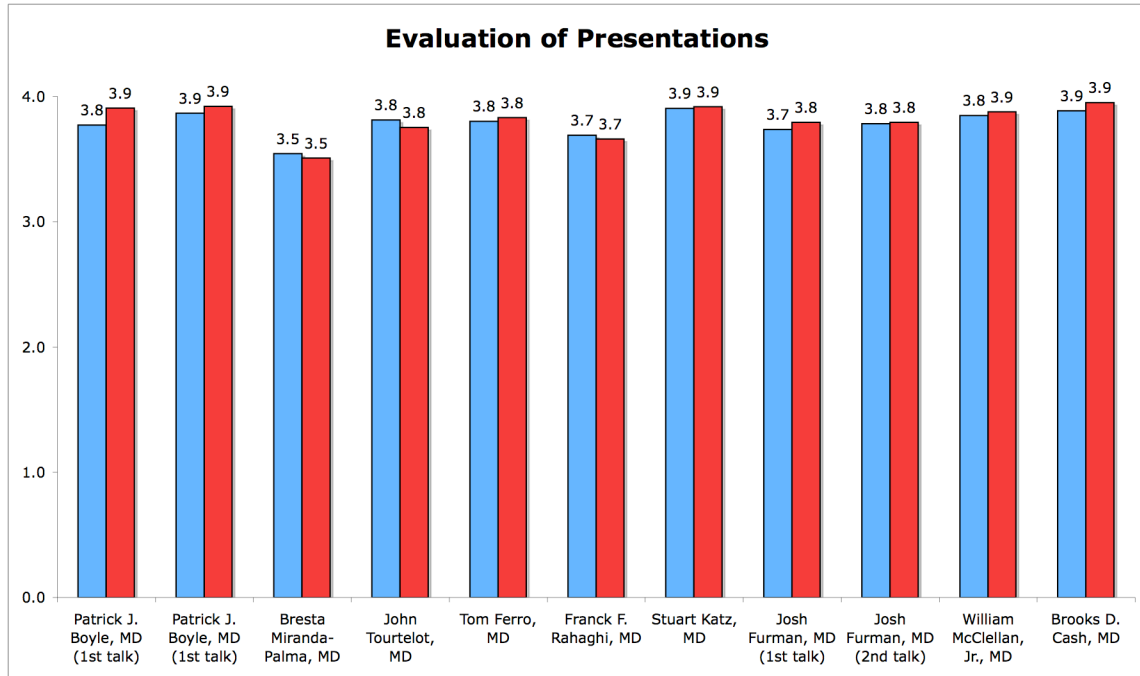


Program Evaluation

Attendees were asked to rate aspects of the overall conference on a four-point scale, with one being “Unsatisfactory” and four being “Excellent”. Overall, attendees rated the program as “Excellent”, with an average score of 3.7. Average scores for each aspect are displayed in the charts below.



Attendees were also asked to rate the content of each presentation and the presentation skills of each speaker on a four-point scale, with one being “Unsatisfactory” and four being “Excellent”. Average scores for each presentation and speaker are displayed in the chart below.



Needs Assessment

Attendees were asked to complete a needs assessment survey to assist in planning future continuing education activities. Below is a list of the most frequently suggested topics. For a complete list, Appendix A.

What medical disorders or topics would you like to receive further information about through a continuing education activity?

- Bipolar (3)
- Cardiology (10)
- Dementia (3)
- Depression (3)
- Dermatology (5)
- Hepatitis B and C (4)
- Hyperthyroid (2)
- Obesity (6)
- Osteoporosis (2)
- Pain management (4)
- PCOS (2)
- Surgery (2)
- Weight management (4)

What diagnostic procedures would you like to learn more about?

- Dermatology (2)
- Echocardiography (2)
- Hyperlipidemia (2)
- Joint Injection (3)
- MRI (3)
- PET Scan (3)
- Radiology (2)
- Sleep medicine (2)

What types of therapies or treatments would you wish courses to be offered about?

- Anxiety management (2)
- Chronic pain management (3)
- Dermatology (3)
- Diabetes (2)
- HTN (2)

Summary

Overall, *Emerging Challenges in Primary Care: 2006* was successful. Attendees were satisfied with the topics, speakers, and overall quality of the conference.

Ninety-six percent responded that they would attend another primary care conference next year in the same location.

Based on the evaluations, attendees were very pleased with the conference.

Appendix A

Suggested Topics

What medical disorders or topics would you like to receive further information about through a continuing education activity?

Abnormal Liver Function	Low back pain
Alzheimer's	Medical Ethics
Antibiotic Therapy	Metabolic Syndrome
Arthritis	Nephrology
Asthma	Non-Alcoholic Steatohepatitis
Bipolar (3)	Obesity (6)
Breast Cancer	Orthopedics
Cardiology (10)	Osteoporosis (2)
Chronic Renal Insufficiency	Pain management (4)
Colon Cancer	Parkinson's
Dementia (3)	PCOS (2)
Depression (3)	Pediatrics
Dermatology (5)	Peripheral Arterial Disease
Endocrinology	Prostate Cancer
Endocrinopathies	PTSD
Epilepsy	Radiology
Gastric Bypass	Rheumatology
GERD	Sleep Apnea
GI	Smoking Cessation
Gynecology	STD's
Hepatitis B and C (4)	Surgery (2)
Highlights from the genome mapping	Syndrome X
HIV	TB
HRT	Tremors
Hypertension	Urgent care
Hyperthyroid (2)	Weight management (4)
Hypolipidemia	Women's Care
Infectious Disease	

What diagnostic procedures would you like to learn more about?

Acne	Colposcopy
Alzheimer's	CT
Angioplasty	Dermatology (2)
Antibiotics	Differential diagnosis of chronic renal failure
Articular steroid injection	Echocardiography (2)
Bone density	

Ultrasound
EKG's
Exercise stress testing
Facial rejuvenation
Fiberoptic rhinoscopy
GERD
Gout
Hepatitis
Hyperlipidemia (2)
Joint Injection (3)
MRI (3)

Muscular-skeletal assessment
Neuro assessment
PET Scan (3)
Post Nasal Drip
Pulmonary function testing
Radiology (2)
Skin biopsy
Skin tag removal
Sleep medicine (2)
Weight loss

What types of therapies or treatments would you wish courses to be offered about?

A Fibrillation
Alzheimer's
Antibiotics
Anxiety management (2)
Cancer treatment
CHF
Chronic pain management (3)
CPAP
Cryo
Depression
Dermatology (3)
Diabetes (2)

HIV Protocols
HTN (2)
Insulin pumps
Joint Injections
NSAIDS
PUD
Rheumatoid arthritis
Skin Cancer
Sleep medicine
Smoking cessation
Sports medicine
Valvular heart disease

Appendix B

Overall Comments/Suggestions

Suggestions

Meeting room cramped, uncomfortable chairs (2)

Microphone problems (3)

Improve handouts (3)

General Feedback

Gained new information

Dr. Boyle & Furman very motivating.

Good Conference

Excellent conference- Excellent speakers

Very Helpful.

Excellent speakers & conference.

Great Speakers, Great Topics

Great

Very informative, useful.

Overall excellent course. Top notch speakers.

Excellent

Excellent Program

Good Job

Highly useful topics. Excellent presentations. Dynamic Speakers. Lovely setting.

Very Satisfied