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Updates in the Treatment of *Clostridioides* *difficile* infection Dr. Spencer Durham

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The incidence of *Clostridioides difficile* infection (CDI) has increased dramatically in recent years and causes significant morbidity and mortality. Treatment of CDI has evolved over the years, with several new treatment agents recently approved. In 2018, new guidelines were released for the management of CDI, and in 2021, a focused update was released. Pharmacists play an integral role in the management of CDI, particularly with limiting inappropriate antibiotic use, and must be familiar with these new guidelines.” This live webinar is intended for pharmacists and nurses and offers 1 live hour of continuing education, or .01 CEUs. The registration fee for this program is \$25. The \$100 subscription for Live @Lunch series includes any/all of the 5 webinars in this series.

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ACTIVITY COMPLETION

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LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- ▶ Review the pathogenesis of *C.difficile* infections
- ▶ Describe the major recommendations of the 2018 *C.difficile* clinical practice guidelines
- ▶ Recognize the recommendations of the focused guideline update from 2021
- ▶ Given a patient case, identify the appropriate pharmacotherapy treatments for a patient with *C.difficile* infection

Spencer H. Durham, Pharm.D., BCPS, BCIDP is an Associate Clinical Professor in the Department of Pharmacy Practice and also serves as the Director of Alumni & Professional Affairs with the Harrison School of Pharmacy. Originally from Arab, Alabama, he completed his pre-pharmacy coursework at Auburn University and graduated with his Doctor of Pharmacy degree from the Harrison School of Pharmacy in 2007. He went on to complete an ASHP-accredited post-graduate residency at Children's Health System in Birmingham, Alabama in 2008. After completion of his residency, he joined the staff at Sacred Heart Hospital in Pensacola, Florida as a clinical pharmacist specialist, a role he maintained for five years. In 2013, Dr. Durham joined the faculty of the Harrison School of Pharmacy, where he teaches in various courses throughout the curriculum.

Additionally, Dr. Durham serves as the Director of Alumni and Professional Affairs under the Associate Dean for Clinical Affairs and Outreach. As part of this position, he works proactively with HSOP alumni and other health care professionals from throughout the state and region to foster the development of innovative practice models and to expand and enhance opportunities for continuous professional development. Dr. Durham also oversees the Office of Post Graduate Education (OPGE), which is responsible for the many continuing education programs offered each year by HSOP.

Dr. Durham has published more than 20 peer-reviewed articles in respected journals and several book chapters. He is an active speaker each year at national, state, and local conferences, where he educates healthcare professionals on topics related to infectious diseases and antimicrobial stewardship.

Additionally, Dr. Durham is active in several state and national organizations including the Alabama Pharmacy Association (APA), the Alabama Society of Health-Systems Pharmacists (AISHP), the American College of Clinical Pharmacy (ACCP), and the American Society of Consultant Pharmacists (ASCP).

Practice Site

Dr. Durham maintains a practice site at the Central Alabama Veterans Health Care System where he specializes in the area of infectious diseases. He serves as a clinician in the inpatient acute care units, the long-term care facility, and the HIV and general infectious diseases outpatient clinics. At his practice site, Dr. Durham serves as a preceptor for both pharmacy students and residents. He also holds a dual board certification as a Board Certified Pharmacotherapy Specialist (BCPS) and a Board Certified Infectious Diseases Pharmacist (BCIDP).

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