



**Georgia Society of Interventional Pain Physicians**  
**11<sup>th</sup> Annual Pain Summit**  
March 20 – 22, 2015

**Friday, March 20, 2015**

7:30 – 8:30AM Registration, Breakfast, & Visit Exhibits

8:30 – 8:45AM Opening Remarks  
**David W. Gale, MD**  
President, Georgia Society of Interventional Pain Physicians

8:45 – 9:30AM *Psychology of Pain*  
**Daniel Doleys, PhD**  
Director, Doleys Clinic, Birmingham Alabama

**Objectives:**

- Identify psychological factors which influence the perception of pain
- Recognize changes in the view of chronic pain
- Relate how the factors discussed can affect the treatment chronic pain

9:30 – 10:15AM *Endogenous Cannabinoid Physiology with a Focus on Pain Pathways and Opioid-Cannabinoid Interactions*  
**Dustin Sulak, DO**  
Founder, Integr8 Health

**Objectives:**

- Understand the key components of the endocannabinoid system in relation to nociception and pain perception.
- Describe the basic findings of preclinical research evaluating combination cannabinoid-opioid therapy.
- Describe the basic findings of human clinical research evaluating cannabinoid antinociception and combination cannabinoid-opioid therapy.

10:15 – 10:45AM Break & Visit Exhibits

10:45 – 11:30AM *The Reciprocal Relationship Between Sleep and Pain*  
**Scott Leibowitz, MD**  
Medical Director, Sleep Medicine, Laureate Medical Group

**Objectives:**

- Understand the prevalence of sleep difficulties in patients with chronic painful conditions.
- Explore the bi-directional relationship between pain conditions and sleep
- Describe interconnections of total and partial sleep deprivation and pain thresholds and the potential neurobiologic mechanisms governing these relationships.

11:30 – 12:30PM *Live Psychologic Intake Interview-What Questions to Ask and Why*  
**Daniel Doleys, PhD**

Director, Doleys Clinic, Birmingham Alabama

**Objectives:**

- Identify the basic structure of psychological interview
- Give the rationale for specific lines of questioning
- Better interpret psychologically-based information

12:30PM – 1:15PM Lunch & Visit Exhibits

1:15 – 2:00PM *Ketamine Infusion for the treatment of CRPS*  
**Kenneth Joel, MD**  
Medical Director, North Fulton Pain & Spine

**Objectives:**

- Use Ketamine infusion for the treatment of CRPS in their patients
- Use Ketamine infusion to reduce neuropathic pain and disability in their patients

2:00 – 2:45PM *Evaluation and Management of Patients with Chronic Pain and Sleep Complaints*  
**Scott Leibowitz, MD**  
Medical Director, Sleep Medicine, Laureate Medical Group

**Objectives:**

- Understand the physiologic basis of the regulatory mechanisms of sleep and wake and dysfunction therein
- Better generate a differential diagnosis list regarding the source of sleep complaints
- Understand pharmacological and behavioral options in the treatment of sleep disorders in patients with chronic pain

2:45 – 3:15PM Break & Visit Exhibits

3:15 – 3:45PM *Latest Update on Georgia Legislation—Medical Marijuana*  
**State Representative Allen Peake**

3:45 – 4:30PM *Medical Marijuana in the Treatment of Chronic Pain-The Maine Experience*  
**Dustin Sulak, DO**  
Founder, Integr8 Health

**Objectives:**

- Identify clinical scenarios in which cannabinoid therapy may be appropriate.
- Feel confident discussing medical cannabis with patients and making recommendations regarding its use.
- Describe cannabinoid dosing challenges, solutions, and harm reduction strategies.

4:30 – 5:30PM *Dealing with the Difficult Pain Patient*  
**Daniel Doleys, PhD**  
Director, Doleys Clinic, Birmingham Alabama

**Objectives:**

- Identify variables that contribute to patients being seen as "difficult"
- Recognize practice habits that may contribute to this issue
- Identify strategies for managing the difficult patient

5:30PM Cocktail Reception in the Exhibit Hall

**Saturday, March 21, 2015 - Saturday Symposium-Latest Updates in Interventional Pain Management with Keynote Speaker and Our 4th Annual Neuromodulation Forum**

7:00 – 8:00AM Registration, Breakfast, & Visit Exhibits

8:00 – 8:20AM Opening Remarks

**David W. Gale, MD**  
President, Georgia Society of Interventional Pain Physicians

8:20 – 9:00AM *Anatomic challenges in postsurgical patients: Intervention reexamined*  
**Erik Shaw, MD**

**Objectives:**

- Understand anatomic challenges of polytrauma
- Appreciate neuropathic pain and pathways
- Novel interventions

9:00 – 9:45AM *RFA Lesioning Size-Time to Move On from what you were taught LAST DECADE*  
**Eric Cosman, PhD**  
Scientific Director, Cosman Medical

9:45 – 10:15AM Break & Visit Exhibits

10:15 - 10:45AM *Latest Safety Guidelines for Concurrent Anticoagulant Therapy and Pain Management Interventions*  
**Marco Araujo, MD**  
Physician, Advanced Pain Management

**Objectives:**

- Discuss coagulation cascade, testing, old and new antithrombotics.
- Discuss risk-benefit ratio of keeping or holding antithrombotics during pain management interventions.
- Discuss similarities and differences of current guidelines across the globe.

10:45 – 11:15AM *Latest Evidence on Safety and Efficacy of Transforaminal Epidural Steroid Injections*  
**V.K. Puppala, MD**

11:15-11:45AM **Keynote Presentation**  
*Is True Private Practice Dead or Has the Pendulum Just Swung Too Far?*  
**Donald Palmisano, Executive Director, MAG**

11:45 – 1:00PM **Lunch & 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Neuromodulation Forum** (Non CME)  
*Precision Spectra Multiwave Platform – Innovation, Technology and 12 Month Clinical Data*  
**William Witt, MD**  
Medical Director of Cardinal Hill Pain Institute

*Exploring Adaptive Stim Technology to Optimize the Patient Experience*  
**Kenneth Joel, MD**

1:00PM-3:00PM *Practice Management and Compliant Billing Symposium*  
**Marvel Hammer, RN CPC CCS-P ACS-PM CPCO**  
Owner, MJH Consulting

**Objectives:**

- Describe the terminology used in coding and billing for drug testing in 2015
- Identify the correct coding for point-of-care drug screen testing
- Compare the differences between the 2015 CPT and HCPCS code sets for reporting drug screen testing
- Identify the new 2015 CPT codes for common Pain Management procedures
- Describe the 2015 Medicare coverage change for image guidance performed with interlaminar and caudal epidural procedures
- List pertinent Pain Management issues included in the 2015 OIG Work Plan

4:30PM Cocktails at Sunset on the Lakeside Lawn

**Sunday, March 22, 2015**

7:30 – 8:30AM Registration, Breakfast, & Visit Exhibits

8:30 – 9:15AM *Mandated Opioid Dosing Guidelines--Coming to a State Near YOU!*

**Marco Araujo, MD**

Physician, Advanced Pain Management

**Objectives:**

- Discuss risks and benefits of opioid therapy
- Discuss current dosing guidelines
- Discuss opioid doses related to overdose and deaths

9:15 – 10:00AM

*Latest Update on Head and Neck Blocks-Get A-HEAD in the Game!*

**V.K. Puppala, MD**

10:00 – 10:15AM

Break & Visit Exhibits

10:15 – 11:00AM

*Incorporating Genetic Testing to Optimize the Management of Pain*

**Derrick Holman, MD**

**Objectives:**

- Recognize the barriers associated with inadequate pain assessment and treatment, along with ways to overcome these barriers and provide appropriate pain management.
- Integrate an increased understanding of pharmacogenetics into the management of pain to provide the most appropriate treatments for individual patients.
- Incorporate genetic testing into the management plan for treating pain in order to identify individuals with potential addiction issues.

11:00 – 11:30AM

GSIPP General Business Mtg. & 2015 Officer and Board Elections

11:30AM

Meeting Wrap-Up and Adjourn

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