#### **PURPOSE**

This activity is designed to improve competence and performance essential to the transplant professional, imparting new knowledge to advance the quality of patient care.

#### STATEMENT OF NEED

Transplant clinicians of solid organ and tissue transplantation face professional challenges daily that may present challenges to optimal patient care. Many of these challenges include barriers and unmet educational needs associated with emerging dilemmas in transplant medicine, changes and growth in transplantation, and the impact on patient outcomes. The symposium will provide a learning environment that will address the educational needs and practice gaps by facilitating transfer of knowledge into practice, ultimately optimizing patient outcomes.

## **LEARNING OBJECTIVES**

After completing this educational activity, participants will be able to:

- Describe key and new medical advances, health informatics, clinical innovations, and scientific and research progress in the clinical practice of transplantation.
- Assess the challenges and novel approaches in managing high-risk donor recipients.
- Compare and assess improved surgical techniques, novel approaches to organ procurement, and medical management in organ transplantation.
- Recognize the impact of health care reform on organ transplantation.
- Evaluate the issues of the evolving legislative, regulatory, and financial environment and their effects in the changing field of transplantation.

## **EXPECTED OUTCOMES**

The symposium is designed to provide learning opportunities for transplant surgeons, physicians, and other transplant health care providers to acquire the knowledge and skills needed to improve competence, performance, and patient outcomes in their practice settings.

## **ACCREDITATION STATEMENT**

The American Society of Transplant Surgeons (ASTS) is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

The ASTS designates this live activity for a maximum of 26.75 AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s)<sup>TM</sup>. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

## **Pre-Meeting**

ASTS designates this live activity for a maximum of 6.25 AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s)<sup>TM</sup>. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

## Legislative Update and Advocacy Symposium

ASTS designates this live activity for a maximum of *3 AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s)* TM. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

## Winter Symposium

ASTS designates this live activity for a maximum of 14.5 AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s)<sup>TM</sup>. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

#### **Educational Workshop**

ASTS designates this live activity for a maximum of *3 AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s)* TM. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

#### **DISCLOSURES**

ASTS ensures that all CME certified activities are fair, valid, balanced, scientifically rigorous, and free of commercial bias and designed to promote professional performance, competency, and improved patient outcomes. It is the policy of ASTS that all individuals in a position to influence/control content of a CME activity disclose all relevant financial relationships with any commercial interests or entity that have occurred within the last 12 months of the activity. Should it be determined that a conflict of interest exists, ASTS will review and resolve and/or manage all identified conflicts of interest, as applicable.

Disclosures will be made available to attendees via slides and/or at ASTS.org.

# ONLINE EVALUATION, CREDIT CLAIM, AND CERTIFICATE SYSTEM

Registered attendees will be able to use a convenient online evaluation, credit claim, and CME certificate system. This system allows you to easily complete the program evaluations, and upon completion of the evaluation and credit claiming, you will have immediate access to your CME certificate or Certificate of Attendance. On the last day of the program, all registered attendees will receive an email from ASTS, which will include a link that will immediately take you to a website to complete the session evaluations. You will have until May 26, 2014, to complete the evaluations, claim your credits, and obtain your CME certificates.

## REGISTRATION

All attendees must be registered for the symposium. You are required to wear your badge to enter sessions, the exhibit/poster hall, and meal functions. Registration is located in the Rotunda East Ballroom, Level 2, of the Loews Miami Beach Hotel.

#### **OPEN REGISTRATION HOURS**

Wednesday, January 22, 2014 3:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Thursday, January 23, 2014 *10:00 a.m.* – *6:00 p.m.* 

Friday, January 24, 2014 7:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Saturday, January 25, 2014 7:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, January 26, 2014 7:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

#### **EXHIBITS**

The exhibits are an integral part of the complete educational experience and will feature the latest technology and research in the field of transplantation medicine. The exhibits are located in Americana Salon 3, Level 2 of the Loews Miami Beach Hotel.

#### **OPEN EXHIBIT HOURS**

Friday, January 24, 2014 *11:00 a.m.* – 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, January 25, 2014 *6:30 – 10:00 a.m.* 

## CYBER CAFÉ

There are complimentary e-mail stations provided for you to access your e-mail and keep in touch with your home and office. The Cyber Café will be located in the Rotunda East Ballroom, Level 2 of the Loews Miami Beach Hotel.

## **OPEN CYBER CAFÉ HOURS**

Thursday, January 23, 2014 *10:00 a.m.* – *6:00 p.m.* 

Friday, January 24, 2014 7:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Saturday, January 25, 2014 7:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, January 26, 2014 7:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Please note: you are limited to 15 minutes per session.

#### POSTER SESSION

The poster session is an integral part of the symposium. It provides visual illustrations of the authors' latest research findings on display boards. All poster presentations will take place in Americana Salons 1 and 2, Level 2 of the Loews Miami Beach Hotel. All poster presentations have been assigned a chronological program number and are grouped by abstract category for reference when locating a printed abstract in this program book. A "P#" indicates the board location for poster boards displayed in the hall. Please refer to this program book for the appropriate board location.

## POSTER PICK-UP & MOUNT DATE AND TIME

If you have elected to have your poster printed and shipped to the Loews, your poster will be available in the registration area in the Rotunda East Ballroom, Level 2.

Thursday, January 23, 2014 1:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Friday, January 24, 2014 7:00 –10:00 a.m.

## **VIEWING DATES & TIMES**

Friday, January 24, 2014 *11:00 a.m.* – 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, January 25, 2014 *6:30 – 10:00 a.m.* 

#### PRESENTATION DATE & TIME

Friday, January 24, 2014 3:30 – 5:00 p.m.

## POSTER DISMANTLE DATE & TIME

Saturday, January 25, 2014 *10:00 – 11:00 a.m.* 

Any poster not taken down during the dismantle time will be removed by show management and may be picked up at the registration area. Posters not picked up by Sunday, January 26, 2014, at 1:00 p.m. will be discarded. ASTS is not responsible for poster distribution after removal.

#### POSTER OF DISTINCTION AWARDS

The Poster of Distinction Awards provide an additional opportunity for poster presenters to be recognized at the meeting. During the poster session, judges will be evaluating all posters for the Top 10 Poster of Distinction Awards. All presenters must be present at their poster for the entire poster session presentation in order to be eligible. This poster session will take place in Americana Salons 1 and 2, Level 2 of the Loews Miami Beach Hotel. Awards will be distributed during the Exhibit Hall Reception on Friday, January 25, 2014, from 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.

#### SPEAKER READY ROOM

All speakers must check-in their slides at the Speaker Ready Room, located in NY Sands, Level 2 room of the Loews Miami Beach Hotel.

- 1. All PowerPoint presentations need to be checked into the Speaker Ready Room 3 hours before their presentation.
- 2. Personnel in the Speaker Ready Room are available to assist in any last minute changes and to troubleshoot any problems the presenter may experience.
- 3. Presenters will leave their presentations in the Speaker Ready Room so they may be electronically queued in the meeting room.

#### SPEAKER READY ROOM HOURS

Thursday, January 23, 2014 8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Friday, January 24, 2014 6:30 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Saturday, January 25, 2014 *6:30 a.m.* – *6:00 p.m.* 

Sunday, January 26, 2014 *6:30 a.m.* – *1:00 p.m.* 

#### ABSTRACT REVIEW PROCESS

All submitted abstracts were reviewed and scored by members of the ASTS Vanguard and Winter Symposium Planning Committees. If a member was affiliated with the same institution as that of the abstract author(s), the reviewer(s) removed themselves from reviewing the abstracts and abstained from the selection of the Top 14 Abstracts, Junior Investigator Awards, and Poster Sessions to eliminate potential conflicts of interest. The goal of these committees is to perform a scientifically rigorous review process to select those abstracts that present strong, balanced, and evidence-based clinical content, without bias.

This year, the Vanguard and Winter Symposium Planning Committees selected 20 recipients to receive the Winter Symposium Junior Investigator Awards. After rigorous scientific review of all abstracts submitted to the ASTS Winter Meeting, abstracts were judged as among the best in three categories: Fellow, Junior Faculty, and Resident/ Medical Student. Only a very small number of abstracts were awarded for each submission category. Recipients will receive honoraria and will be recognized at the Posters of Distinction Ceremony during the Exhibit Hall Reception on Friday, January 24, 2014, at 6:30 p.m. For a complete listing of this year's recipients, please reference this supplement.

#### CAREER DEVELOPMENT SEMINAR

Finding Your Niche

The Career Development Seminar will take place on Friday, January 24, 2014, from 5:15 – 6:30 p.m. in Poinciana 1-3, Level 2.

#### **LUNCH & LEARN SESSION**

This formal session allows attendees to listen to presentations on a wide range of topics. Hosted by various ASTS committees, these topic-focused presentations include case studies, innovation, regulatory issues, and more. This event is complimentary with your registration and takes place on Saturday, January 25, from 1:00-2:45 p.m. Please pick up your lunch in the Exhibit Hall, Americana Salon 3, and head over to Poinciana Ballroom 1-3 for the presentations.

## **RECOGNITION AWARDS PRESENTATION**

Please join us on Saturday, January 25, from 9:45 – 10:00 a.m. as we recognize recipients of the Francis Moore Excellence in Mentorship in the Field of Transplantation Surgery Award, Vanguard Prize, and Advanced Transplant Provider Award. Immediately following the Awards ceremony will be the Presidential Address. This year, the presentation will take place in the General Session room, Americana Salon 4, Level 2.

#### **MEAL FUNCTIONS**

The following sessions are scheduled in conjunction with the symposium and are included with the registration fees:

#### **Continental Breakfast**

Friday, January 24, 2014 7:00 – 8:00 a.m.

Saturday, January 25, 2014 *6:30 – 7:25 a.m.* 

Sunday, January 26, 2014 7:00 – 8:00 a.m.

## **Boxed Lunch**

Friday, January 24, 2014 *11:00 a.m.* – *12:00 p.m.* 

Saturday, January 25, 2014 1:00 – 1:30 p.m.

## ASTS 40th Anniversary Gala\*

Saturday, January 25, 2014 *6:00 – 10:00 p.m.* 

Happy 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, ASTS! To commemorate this special occasion, ASTS will host a 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gala. This is a black-tie optional event. If you have registered to attend the Winter Symposium, you will receive a ticket to the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gala.

\*Spouse/Guest and children must be registered separately to attend this event.

\*Registration badges will be checked upon entrance into this event.

To purchase passes for your guests, please visit the ASTS registration desk located in the Rotunda East Ballroom, Level 2.

#### **JOB BOARD**

There will be a job board posted in the Registration area where you can view and post current career opportunities.

#### ADA COMPLIANCE

The Loews Miami Beach Hotel is fully accessible to the physically challenged. Anyone needing special assistance should notify the hotel and indicate the type of assistance needed. ASTS cannot ensure the availability of appropriate assistance without prior notice.

## **CAMERAS AND CELL PHONES**

No cameras or video cameras are allowed in any event during the Winter Symposium. Continued use of any type of camera may result in your removal from the meeting venue. As a courtesy to fellow attendees, please turn off cell phones, or set to vibrate, during educational sessions.

## PHOTO PERMISSION

By attending the ASTS 14th Annual State of the Art Winter Symposium, you acknowledge that your image may appear in photos or video taken during the symposium and related events and give permission for ASTS to use your image in these photos/videos for purposes related to the Society.