

**2026 UPDATE IN** 

# GASTROENTEROLOGY HEPATOLOGY AND ENDOSCOPY



## FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2026 7:30 AM - 4:00 PM

HYATT REGENCY 300 EAST 9<sup>TH</sup> STREET CORALVILLE, IOWA



#### **OVERVIEW**

The "what, how, and why" of gastroenterology, hepatology and endoscopy need to be addressed regularly as information evolves rapidly. Updates will be provided in didactic lectures with real world case applications. At the close of each lecture block, a panel discussion will allow for an interactive question & answer session and apply the material to real world scenarios posed by conference participants.

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#### **OBJECTIVES**

- Describe the updated definition and diagnostic criteria for MASLD.
- 2. Compare traditional treatment approaches with emerging therapeutic strategies for MASLD
- 3. Summarize the latests clinical guidelines for managing chronic hepatitis B
- 4. Identify key changes i HBV treatment recommendations and their implications for patient care
- 5. Apply new evidence-based dietary recommendations to optimize liver health
- Outline the indications and contraindications for EUS-guided procedures
- 7. Evaluate the benefits and risks of EUS-guided interventions compared to traditional approaches
- Discuss the mechanism of action and clinical use of new IBD medications
- 9. Assess how top-town therapy strategies improve outcomes in moderate-to-severe IBD
- Explain the rationale and indications for using pharmacotherapy in weight management, including patient selection criteria
- 11. Describe the mechanisms of action of FDA-approved weight loss medications and emerging therapies
- 12. Recognize early signs and symptoms of IBD in primary care settings
- 13. Implement appropriate referral and initial management strategies for suspected IBD cases
- 14. Review epidemiologic trends of gastric cancer in the U.S.
- 15. Evaluate the feasibility and effectiveness of screening strategies for gastric cancer in U.S. populations
- 16. Explain how AI technology is integrated into endoscopic practice
- 17. Critically appraise the clinical impact of AI-assisted polyp detection on patient outcomes
- 18. Describe nutritional sstrategies for patients with short bowel syndrome
- 19. Interpret SPSFT recommendation on low-volumn colon preparation and apply them to clinical practice

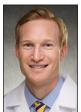
#### REGISTRATION

Physician	\$ 140
After February 13, 2025	\$ 160
Virtual Only	
Pharmacists & Other Health Professionals	
After February 13, 2025	\$90
Virtual Only	\$60
Trainees - Students, Residents & Fellows	\$ 55
After February 13, 2025	\$ 75
Virtual Only	\$ 45



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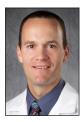
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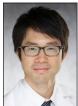
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### **AGENDA:** UPDATES IN GASTROENTEROLOGY, HEPATOLOGY, AND ENDOSCOPY • OAKDALE BALLROOM 1-3 • FEBRUARY 20, 2026

7:30 - 7:50 AM	Registration & Continental Breakfast
7:50 - 8:00	Welcome Remarks — Alan Gunderson, MD
MORNING SESSION	
<b>8:00 - 8:20</b> 8:20 - 8:30	<b>MASLD: New Paradigm of Treatment</b> — Marta Tejedor Bravo, MD, MSc, PhD Questions
<b>8:30 - 8:50</b> 8:50 - 9:00	<b>HBV: New Guidance</b> — Sara Naimimohasses, MBBCh, PhD Questions
<b>9:00 - 9:20</b> 9:20 - 9:30	<b>Nutrition: New Guidelines in Liver Disease</b> — Renee Fields-Hu, MBA, RDN, LD Questions
<b>9:30 - 9:50</b> 9:50 - 10:00	<b>EUS Guided Interventions</b> — Abduallah Abbasi, MBBS Questions
10:00 - 10:30	BREAK
<b>10:30 - 10:50</b> 10:50 - 11:00	$ \begin{tabular}{l} \textbf{IBD: New Medications Facilitating Top-down Therapy} - \textbf{Divya Ashat, MBBS} \\ \textbf{Questions} \end{tabular} $
<b>11:00 - 11:20</b> 11:20 - 11:30	<b>Weight Management in 2026: Surgery vs Medications</b> — Peter Nau, MD, MS, FACS Questions
<b>11:30 - 11:50</b> 11:50 - 12:00 PM	IBD for PCPs — Serhan Karvar, MD, PhD Questions
12:00 - 1:00	Lunch
AFTERNOON SESSION	
<b>1:00 - 1:20 PM</b> 1:20 - 1:30	<b>Gastric Cancer: Screening in US Populations</b> — Tomohiro Tanaka, MD, PhD Questions
1:30 - 1:50	AI Endoscopy: Are Man & Machine Better Together and is Finding More Polyps Always Better?  — Ngozi Vivian Nwude, MBBS
1:50 - 2:00	Questions
<b>2:00 - 2:20</b> 2:20 - 2:30	Short Bowel Diet — Josie Drumm, MSN, FNP-C Questions
<b>2:30 - 2:50</b> 2:50 - 3:00	<b>Less is More? USPSTF Guidance on Low-volume Colon Preparation</b> — Katelin Durham, MD Questions
	End CME
3:00 - 4:00	<b>Vendor Exhibits</b> — outside Ballroom 1

