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Prentice Women’s Hospital
Chicago, Illinois
Heart disease from coronary artery disease is the number one killer of both men and women in the United States. As a result of differences in symptoms and disease presentation between genders, heart disease is often missed in women. Almost half of US women fail to recognize cardiovascular disease (CVD) as their major health problem and thus miss the opportunity to partner with health care providers early to identify and manage risk factors over their lifespan. Women are also at risk for other forms of heart disease such as valvular disorders, heart failure and arrhythmias. The aging woman is also at risk for bone loss and sexual dysfunction.

It is critical for health care providers to identify and appropriately educate their female patients who are at risk for all forms of CVD. However, overall awareness, as well as rapid changes and advances in scientific discovery make the practice of evidence-based medicine challenging for all practitioners.

The Bluhm Cardiovascular Institute’s Program for Women’s Cardiovascular Health invites you to attend the 9th Annual Women’s Cardiovascular Health Symposium. This year’s program will address a variety of cardiovascular topics commonly encountered in clinical practice. Key gender specific advances in a variety of areas of CVD, such as coronary artery disease, heart failure, heritable conditions, valvular heart disease, arrhythmias and preventive measures will be covered. There will be ample time for participant interaction.

We extend a special invitation for cardiologists, primary care providers and OB/GYN physicians to attend this symposium since they can be the first to identify female patients at risk to personally and positively improve their overall health. Women are still less likely to be offered proven therapies for heart disease as compared to men. This troubling statistic is an urgent call to action to change, especially since the lifetime risk of CVD in women approaches one in two women over their lifetime so that they can take the steps needed to keep their hearts healthy.

Learning Objectives
At the conclusion of this activity, participants should be able to:

1. Recognize gender differences in cardiovascular disease presentation, prevalence and outcomes
2. List diagnostic and treatment options for women with heart failure
3. Explore principles of heritable cardiovascular disease and how it applies to clinical practice
4. List considerations when determining an exercise prescription for a woman with cardiovascular disease
5. Explain when and how to use novel anticoagulants in clinical practice
6. Describe current and emerging transcatheter technologies available to women with valvular heart disease
7. Review the latest evidence based recommendations regarding hormone therapy, heart and bone health

Audience
This program has been designed for all medical professionals involved in the care of women, including primary care physicians, cardiologists, OB/GYN, endocrinologists, nurses, nurse practitioners, pharmacists, physician assistants and other healthcare professionals involved in the care of women at all life stages with, or at risk for, cardiovascular disease.

Conference Location
The program will be held at the Prentice Women’s Hospital, located in the Conference Room on the third floor at 250 East Superior Street, Chicago, Illinois. Please contact the hospital at 312-926-2000 for directions and parking information or visit: prentice.nmh.org.

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For Further Information
Contact the Office of CME, 240 East Huron, Suite 1-200, Chicago, IL 60611. Phone: 312-503-8533; Email cme@northwestern.edu
Friday, May 6, 2016

12:00 – 1:00pm  Registration and Buffet Lunch
1:00 – 1:10pm  Introduction and Welcome  
                 Marla A. Mendelson, MD and Vera H. Rigolin, MD
1:10 – 1:45pm  Heart Failure in Women: Diagnosis and Management  
                 Keynote Speaker, Mary Norine Walsh, MD
1:45 – 1:55pm  Q and A with Mary Norine Walsh, MD
1:55 – 2:25pm  Saving a Woman’s Failing Heart  
                 Jane E. Wilcox, MD
2:25 – 2:50pm  Cardiovascular Genetics: Applications for your Practice  
                 Lisa W. Wilsbacher, MD, PhD
2:50 – 3:15pm  A Woman’s Prescription for Safe Exercise  
                 R. Kannan Mutharasan, MD
3:15 – 3:30pm  Q and A
3:30 – 3:45pm  Refreshment Break
3:45 – 4:15pm  Novel Uses for Novel Anticoagulants  
                 Susan Kim, MD
4:15 – 4:40pm  Transcatheter Technologies for Valvular Heart Disease in Women  
                 Mark Ricciardi, MD
4:40 – 5:05pm  Hormones, Hearts and Bones  
                 Elena Kamel, MD
5:05 – 5:30pm  Q and A and Call to Action
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