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UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO PANCREAS SYMPOSIUM:

PANCREATIC CYSTS AND CANCER

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CONFERENCE DESCRIPTION

The University of Chicago Pancreas Symposium: Pancreatic Cysts and Cancer will deliver a focused, interdisciplinary exploration of pancreatic cysts and cancer, advancing the clinical capabilities of healthcare professionals managing these increasingly common and complex conditions. With an emphasis on the evolving roles of medical, oncologic, interventional, and surgical therapies, it will address pressing gaps in both foundational knowledge and advanced practice. Participants will gain critical updates on diagnostic and management strategies for pancreatic cysts, along with emerging evidence on surgical techniques, chemotherapeutic options, and molecular profiling in pancreatic cancer care.

This year's symposium will feature a unique and timely component: a dedicated panel of patients, caregivers, and early detection experts sharing real-world perspectives on surveillance, caregiving, and advocacy. By incorporating these voices, the activity underscores the human impact of delayed diagnosis and fragmented care, issues that continue to challenge clinicians and contribute to poor outcomes in pancreatic disease. This session is designed to elevate provider communication, foster empathy, and strengthen the cultural competence needed for truly patient-centered care.



TARGET AUDIENCE

This activity is designed for gastroenterologists, surgeons, oncologists, interventional endoscopists, anesthesiologists, psychologists, hospitalists, internists, advanced practice nurses, physician assistants, trainees, registered dietitians, and nurses dedicated to caring for patients with pancreatic cysts and pancreatic cancer.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

After this activity, participants will be able to:

- Interpret molecular diagnostics and surveillance strategies to enhance early detection of pancreatic cancer in high-risk individuals;
- Apply current evidence-based guidelines to the surveillance and management of pancreatic cystic neoplasms;
- Manage complications of pancreatic cancer treatment using surgical, endoscopic, and supportive care approaches;
- Incorporate patient and caregiver perspectives to improve communication, empathy, and culturally competent care in pancreatic disease management;
- Evaluate advances in endoscopic ultrasound, surgical, and systemic therapies for the diagnosis and management of pancreatic ductal adenocarcinoma.

ACCREDITATION AND CREDIT DESIGNATION

PHYSICIAN CREDIT

The University of Chicago Pritzker School of Medicine is

accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

The University of Chicago Pritzker School of Medicine designates this live activity for a maximum of 5.75 *AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™*. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

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SYMPOSIUM AGENDA

SATURDAY, JANUARY 31, 2026		
7:30 AM	REGISTRATION & BREAKFAST	
8:00 AM	Welcome Remarks	Co-Directors
	DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT OF PANCREATIC DUCTAL ADENOCARCINOMA MODERATOR: BRADFORD CHONG, MD	
8:20 AM	Diagnosis and staging of pancreatic ductal adenocarcinoma with endoscopic ultrasound	Vanessa Shami, MD
8:40 AM	Surgery first vs. upfront chemotherapy for resectable/borderline pancreatic cancer	Mitchell Posner, MD
9:00 AM	Updates on systemic therapies, the role of molecular markers, and personalized therapy for metastatic pancreatic cancer	Ardaman Shergill, MD
9:20 AM	Panel Discussion	Session 1 Faculty
	BREAK	
	CYSTIC AND OTHER SOLID LESIONS OF THE PANCREAS MODERATOR: DENNIS CHEN, MD	
9:50 AM	Making sense of guidelines in pancreatic cystic neoplasms	Vanessa Shami, MD
10:10 AM	Surgical management of IPMNs: when to cut?	Jeffrey Matthews, MD
10:30 AM	Approach to pancreatic neuroendocrine tumors: observe, resect, or enucleate?	Xavier Keutgen, MD
10:50 AM	EUS-guided ablation of pancreatic cysts	Tamas Gonda MD
11:10 AM	Panel Discussion	Session 2 Faculty
	LUNCH	
	COMPLICATIONS OF PANCREATIC CANCER TREATMENT: MINIMIZING AND MANAGING MODERATOR: GRACE KIM, MD & ERIC MONTMINY, MD	
12:10 PM	Minimally invasive and robotic pancreatic surgery: ready for prime time?	Cecilia Ong, MD
12:30 PM	Endoscopic palliation of malignant biliary and gastric outlet obstruction	Uzma Siddiqui, MD
12:50 PM	Pancreatic cancer pain and therapies	Magdalena Anitescu, MD, PhD
1:10 PM	Pancreatic insufficiency after resection	Bradford Chong, MD
1:30 PM.	Panel Discussion	Session 3 Faculty
	BREAK	
	EARLY DETECTION AND PREVENTION IN PANCREATIC CANCER MODERATOR: SONIA KUPFER, MD	
2:00 PM	Molecular analysis in pancreatic cysts	Tamas Gonda, MD
2:20 PM	High-risk individuals and surveillance for pancreatic ductal adenocarcinoma	Christine Drogan, MS, CGC
2:40 PM	Patient panel - Navigating the experience of pancreatic cancer screening and early detection	Patient advocate, caregiver, Session 4 Faculty
3:00	ADJOURN	


Program agenda and speaker selection subject to change.

REGISTRATION DESCRIPTION

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(credit card payment only)

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 **MAIL** University of Chicago Pancreas Symposium:
Pancreatic Cysts and Cancer
c/o Amy Majkowski
5841 S. Maryland Ave., MC 4076
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Payment

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“As an APRN, I found this course to be immensely helpful in broadening my knowledge in the management of pancreatic disorders.”

“...great informational session, this was my first time attending and truly loved everything about it.”

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