

Terms & Conditions

Learners / Participants



PART 1: CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION (CME) RULES & REGULATIONS

The didactic portion of this course has been planned and implemented in accordance with the accreditation requirements and policies of the Connecticut State Medical Society (CSMS) through the joint providership of Hartford HealthCare and NorCal MedEd, LLC. Hartford HealthCare is accredited by CSMS to provide continuing medical education for physicians. Hartford HealthCare designates this live activity for a maximum of 4.75 AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s)[™]. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in this activity.

What to Expect: Criteria for Commercial Bias Free Learning

- ✓ Content of lectures, case studies and roundtable discussions or their related materials aim to promote improvements or quality in healthcare and not a specific proprietary business interest of a commercial interest¹.
- ✓ Presentations should give a balanced view of therapeutic options. Use of generic names contributes to this impartiality. If the CME educational material or content includes trade names, trade names from several companies should be used, not just trade names from a single company.
- ✓ All recommendations involving clinical medicine must be based on evidence that is accepted within the profession of medicine as adequate justification for their indications and contraindications in the care of patients.
- ✓ All scientific research referred to, reported, or used in CME in support of justification of a patient care recommendation must conform to the generally accepted standards of experimental design, data collection and analysis.

Learners will have the opportunity to provide feedback in regard to NCSEC's adherence to these CME guidelines. Feedback, in the form of an online evaluation questionnaire, will be required to claim CME credits for this event. Please keep in mind that only the didactic portion of this course (lectures, roundtable discussions and case studies) is subject to this evaluation.

¹ Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) defines a "commercial interest" as any entity producing, marketing, re-selling, or distributing health care goods or services consumed by, or used on, patients.

Financial Disclosures

All faculty members will disclose to learners any relevant financial relationship(s)², and include the following information:

- ✓ name of the individual;
- ✓ name of the commercial interest(s);
- ✓ nature of the relationship the person has with each commercial interest.

For faculty members with no relevant financial relationships, the learners will be informed that no relevant financial relationships exist.

Disclosures are stated in a PDF document published on the NCSEC website as of September 6, 2019. They will also be presented in writing in the CME Lecture Hall on October 5, 2019, prior to the beginning of the educational activity.

Non-CME Industry Sponsored Exhibitor Lounge and Cadaver Workshops

The Exhibitor Lounge and Laboratory are not areas regulated by ACCME Standards for Commercial Support. Activities occurring outside the CME Lecture Hall and interactions with industry representatives do not aim to give balanced and impartial views of therapeutic options.

Exhibitors' and industry representatives' indications and contraindications may promote specific proprietary business interests of a commercial interest.

² *Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME)* defines "relevant financial relationships" as financial relationships in any amount occurring within the past 12 months that create a conflict of interest.

Financial relationships are those relationships in which the individual benefits by receiving a salary, royalty, intellectual property rights, consulting fee, honoraria for promotional speakers' bureau, stocks, stock options, ownership interest, or other financial benefit. Financial benefits are usually associated with roles such as employment, management position, independent contractor (including contracted research), consulting, speaking and teaching, membership on advisory committees or review panels, board membership, and other activities from which remuneration is received, or expected.

ACCME considers relationships of the person involved in the CME activity to include financial relationships of a spouse or partner.

ACCME has not set a minimum dollar amount for relationships to be significant. Inherent in any amount is the incentive to maintain or increase the value of the relationship.

Claiming CME Credits

Hartford HealthCare Professional Education will issue CME credit and certificates ONLINE ONLY.

Physicians will receive *AMA PRA Category 1 Credit™*. All other participants will receive contact hours for participation in an equivalent number of hours of *AMA PRA Category 1 Credit™* education.

Steps for obtaining your credit and certificate:

- ALL CME CREDIT MUST BE CLAIMED WITHIN 28 DAYS OF THE END THE LEARNING EVENT.
- Access the Hartford HealthCare Continuing Medical Education Portal at <https://cmetracker.net/HHC/Login?formname=regLoginProfileSSO>
- Enter your email address and password for your CME Portal account.
 - If you are a new user, create an account by entering an email and clicking the grey *Create Account* button on the bottom of the page.
 - If you forgot your password, click on *Forgot Password?* underneath the password box.
- Ensure the accuracy (or complete) the Profile information and *Continue*.
- To claim credit for the education you attended, click *View CME Calendar to Claim CME Credits*.
- Locate your program using a keyword or scroll through the events.
- All conference participants MUST complete an evaluation before claiming CME credit and printing a certificate.
- All credit will also be transferred to a transcript and kept on file for a minimum of 6 years. Participants may access and print their transcript at any time by logging onto the HHC CME Portal.

Please contact ContinuingEd@HHCHHealth.org with any questions.

PART 2: DISCLAIMERS & POLICIES

Competency & Proficiency Disclaimer

Attendance at the NCSEC does not indicate nor guarantee competency or proficiency in the performance of any procedures which may be discussed or taught in the course. Healthcare practitioners are required to utilize their best clinical judgment when applying any of the concepts covered by the NCSEC to their own practice.

Industry Neutral Course

Any reference in promotional flyers, websites, in course-related activities or events, to any person, organization, activities, products, services related to such person or organization, or any links from our website to the website of another party, do not constitute or imply the endorsement, recommendation, or favoring of the persons, institutions, services, or products by NorCal MedEd LLC, the Northern California Shoulder and Elbow Course, or any of its employees or contractors acting on its behalf.

Media Release

During the NCSEC event, all attendees may be photographed or filmed for promotional purposes. Materials will be produced and edited by NorCal MedEd LLC. Materials may be published on the NCSEC website and other marketing-related materials.

Misconduct & Security

NorCal MedEd LLC, organizer of the NCSEC, reserves the right to evict or ban any participant whose conduct is objectionable for any reason. Violation of any regulations on the part of the NCSEC, its employees or agents shall vacate the premises and forfeit to NorCal MedEd LLC all monies that may have been paid.

Security is not provided; therefore, NorCal MedEd LLC does not assume responsibility for damage to, loss of, or theft of property.

Cancellation Policy

Written cancellation notice must be emailed to info@norcalshoulder.com by September 16, 2019 to receive a 50% refund. No refunds will be given after this date.

If the meeting must be cancelled due to acts of God, war, government regulations, disasters, strikes, civil disorder, or any other emergency making it inadvisable to hold the meeting, each participant and exhibitor will receive a copy of handouts and other materials that would have been distributed. Fixed conference expenses will be paid from the registration funds. Remaining funds will be refunded to participants and exhibitors. NorCal MedEd LLC is not liable for any costs incurred by participants and/or exhibitors in connection with the conference.