

Mount Sinai School of Medicine and the War Related Illness and Injury Study Center (WRIISC) at the East Orange Campus of the VA New Jersey Health Care System are proud to present a joint symposium on:

Exposure Concerns

of Veterans Returning from Iraq and Afghanistan

Thursday, August 6, 2009



Hatch Auditorium, Mount Sinai School of Medicine

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Agenda

8:00 am	8:30	Registration and Continental Breakfast
8:30	8:40	Welcome -I. Nash, MD
8:40	8:45	Introduction to the Day and Objectives -D. Milek, MD, PhD, MPH
8:45	9:15	Deployment and Return from War - What exposures are new veterans concerned about? -R. Teichman, MD, MPH
9:15	9:45	Anthrax, Small Pox and Multiple Vaccinations - What we do know and what we don't know. -O. Osinubi, MD, MSc, MBA, FRCA
9:45	10:15	Sarin Gas, Pesticides and Antidotes - Was I exposed? Was the cure worse? -R. Teichman, MD, MPH
10:15	10:30	Break
10:30	11:00	Depleted Uranium Exposure - The Myths, The Facts - What you need to know to talk to your patients. -O. Osinubi, MD, MSc, MBA, FRCA
11:00	11:40	Sandstorms, Oil Well Fires, Burning Trash, etc. - Will that sand and smoke hurt me? -C. Weese, MD, MPH
11:40	12:00	Speakers Panel -D. Milek, MD, PhD, MPH
12:00	12:45	Lunch
12:45	1:15	Keynote Speaker – Environmental Exposure Surveillance in a Combat Theater -C. Weese, MD, MPH
1:15	1:45	Mild Traumatic Brain Injury - The Signature Injury of the Iraq Conflict -M. Jefferson, PhD
1:45	2:15	Reintegration into Civilian Life – Difficult issues being faced by returning troops -R. Teichman, MD, MPH
2:15	2:30	Break
2:30	3:30	How to Take an Exposure History from a Vet -D. Milek, MD, PhD, MPH, R. Teichman, MD, MPH
3:30	4:15	Perceptions and Risk Communication in Exposure Concerns -S. Santos, PhD, MS
4:15	4:30	Returning Veterans with Health Concerns and Emerging Problem - How can they get help? -W. Keyes, QMC (SW), USN (Ret.)
4:30	4:50	Speakers Panel -D. Milek, MD, PhD, MPH
4:50	5:00	Program Evaluation and Adjourn

Statement of Needs

Hundreds of thousands of returning veterans will be seeking health care in VA hospitals. More of them will be seeking that care from community primary and tertiary care settings. Be prepared to give your best care to those who have given their best to you. Join us and learn about health issues you didn't hear about in medical school.

Educational Objectives

At the conclusion of this activity, participants will be able to:

- Discuss knowledgeably the exposure concerns of returning veterans in order that both the provider and the patient can identify if the exposure of concern has a significant likelihood of causing health effects.
- Explain the basic principles of toxicology to veterans in lay language to improve patient understanding of their exposures of concern and improve patient-provider communications.
- Screen patients for mild Traumatic Brain Injury in order to assess the need for additional evaluations and/or treatments.
- Appropriately obtain an environmental exposure history from returning veterans and other patients in order to ascertain if there have been exposures with a significant likelihood of causing health effects.
- Utilize the principles of risk communication in discussions about exposure concerns with returning patients to enable them to place these risks in proper perspective. These same principles can be used with all patients to discuss risks and risk behaviors in order to reduce those that can be reduced.

Target Audience

- Community primary care physicians, nurse practitioners and physician assistants
- Department of Veteran Affairs primary care physicians, mid-level practitioners
- Environmental Agents Service Clinicians and Coordinators
- Occupational Medicine Physicians
- Residents, Fellows and other allied health professions involved in the care of returning veterans

Accreditation

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Verification of attendance will be provided to all professionals.

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■ Registration Information

Practicing Physicians	\$100
MSSM Staff and Veterans Administration Personnel	\$75
Residents, Fellows, and other Allied Health Professionals	\$50

■ Meeting Location

Hatch Auditorium
Mount Sinai School of Medicine
1468 Madison Avenue & 100th Street
New York, NY 10029

Hatch Auditorium is located in the 2nd floor of the Guggenheim Pavilion. It is accessible through 1468 Madison Avenue (between 100th St. and 101st St.).

Directions

www.mssm.edu/theschool/directions/shtml

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■ Registration Form

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