



# **WellStar Cardio-Stroke Symposium: Bridging the Divide**

*Grand Hyatt Buckhead ♦ Atlanta, GA ♦ September 11, 2021*

# Greetings from the Program

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## Dear Sir or Madam:

Welcome to the 2021 WellStar Cardio-Stroke Symposium: Bridging the Divide! This is our second symposium for Neurology and Cardiology. The Program Committee has worked hard to develop a curriculum encompassing relevant topics for your enjoyment.

Our one day format will have a moderated panel discussion followed by a case review and moderated commentary from our audience members. We hope this format will be exciting and informative.

Our five sessions will be:

- 1) Chronic Total Occlusion
- 2) Stroke 2.0
- 3) Atrial Fibrillation
- 4) Patent Foramen Ovale
- 5) Vascular Inflammation & Stenosis

Our goals for the Conference include:

- Provide a discussion on the management of challenging stroke patients secondary to a cardiac mechanism.
- Provide information that is relevant and practical to the care of our patients.
- Develop communication and relationships between our attendees and our industry partners.

## ABOUT THE SYMPOSIUM

The Second Annual WellStar Cardiology and Neurology (WECAN) meeting was uniquely conceptualized as a multi-disciplinary framework to address pertinent clinical topics managed at the intersection of cardiac and neurologic disease. Our highly-experienced panel will cover the management strategies of a wide array everyday clinical conundrums related to managing the stroke patient with concomitant cardiac pathology. We anticipate a lively discussion surrounding complex case reviews with audience participation. Physicians, Advanced Practice Providers, and other team members who care for cerebrovascular and cardiovascular patients will benefit from this conference.

# Schedule of Events - Saturday, September 11

7:00 - 7:45am	Breakfast, Registration and Exhibits
7:45 - 8:00am	<b>Welcome</b> <i>John Brennan, MD, MPH</i> Executive VP, Chief Clinical Integration Officer   WellStar Health System, Marietta, GA
8:00 - 8:45am	<b>SESSION: Chronic Total Occlusion</b> <b>Moderator: Rishi Gupta, MD</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Coronary CTOs – Data and Techniques   <i>Abdul Sheikh, MD</i></li><li>• Carotid Occlusion – Natural History and Revascularization   <i>Rishi Gupta, MD</i></li><li>• Direct or Indirect Bypass   <i>Arthur Grigorian, MD, FACC</i></li></ul>
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8:45 - 9:45am	<b>SESSION: Stroke 2.0</b> <b>Moderator: Kumiko Owada, MD</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• ASSIST Registry – Procedural Success Associated with Operator Techniques   <i>Aniel Majhoo, MD</i></li><li>• Thrombectomy for Distal Vessel Occlusions   <i>Jay Ulm, MD</i></li><li>• Improving System Processes   <i>Shazam Hussain, MD</i></li><li>• Case Discussion and Q&amp;A</li></ul>
8:45 - 9:00	
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9:45 - 10:15am	Break with Exhibitors
10:15 - 11:30am	<b>SESSION: Atrial Fibrillation</b> <b>Moderator: Amar Patel, MD, FACC</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Update on Left Atrial Appendage Occlusion   <i>Amar Patel, MD, FACC</i></li><li>• AF Treatment Beyond Anticoagulation   <i>Narendra Kanuru, MD, FACC</i></li><li>• Direct Oral Anticoagulants – Are They All the Same?   <i>Mike Riley, MD, FACC</i></li><li>• Case Discussion and Q&amp;A</li></ul>
10:15 - 10:30	
10:30 - 10:45	
10:45 - 11:00	
11:00 - 11:30	
11:30 - 12:15 pm	<b>LUNCH SESSIONS:</b> <b>Refining Ischemic Stroke Thrombectomy Endpoints: The First Pass Effect in Mechanical Thrombectomy</b> <i>Ossma O. Zaidat, MD, MS</i>   Neuroscience & Stroke Medical Director, Mercy Health System, St. Vincent Medical Center, Toledo, OH
12:15-1:00 pm	<b>Intra-Cranial vs Intra-Coronary Atherosclerosis – The Same Disease?</b> <i>Aloke Finn, MD</i>   Medical Director & Chief of Research, CVPath Institute, Gaithersburg, MD
1:00 - 2:00pm	<b>SESSION: Patent Foramen Ovale</b> <b>Moderator: Frances Fan, MD</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Medical Management - Is There Still a Role?   <i>Fadi Nahab, MD</i></li><li>• Abnormal Hypercoagulable Labs in a patient with a CVA &amp; PFO   <i>Carmen Klass, MD, PhD</i></li><li>• PFO Closure – Do We All Concur?   <i>Ateet Patel, MD, FACC</i></li><li>• Case Discussion and Q&amp;A</li></ul>
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2:00 - 2:30pm	Break with Exhibitors
2:30 - 3:30pm	<b>SESSION: Vascular Inflammation &amp; Stenosis</b> <b>Moderator: Arthur Reitman, MD, FACC</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Drug Coated Balloons – The PAD Experience   <i>Shariq Sayeed, MD</i></li><li>• Intravascular Lithotripsy for Calcified Coronary Anatomy   <i>Sal Mannino, DO, FACC</i></li><li>• Concomitant Strategies to Address ISR   <i>Rishi Gupta, MD</i></li><li>• Case Discussion and Q&amp;A</li></ul>
2:00 - 2:15	
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2:45 - 3:00	
3:00pm	Reception for All

## SYMPOSIUM REGISTRATION

Registration for this meeting will be online. Registration will ensure you have a required badge for the Symposium.

### Register Now at:

<https://www.123signup.com/register?id=kxsyx>

## SYMPOSIUM FEE:

- \$35 per person
- Includes Breakfast and Lunch

The conference registration desk will open Saturday at 7:00am-3:30pm

**SYMPOSIUM LOCATION: Grand Hyatt  
Buckhead  
3300 Peachtree Rd NE  
Atlanta, GA 30305**

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## HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

**\$179.00 Room Rate + tax**

To reserve a room please go to this link:  
<https://bit.ly/3bSTHtW>

Or call 404-364-3928 and ask for the WellStar Symposium room block. You will be asked to hold your reservation with a credit card.

**Please note** the website offers additional nights at our room rate if you want to stay for the weekend.

## ATTIRE

Business Casual attire is appropriate throughout the Symposium.

## GEORGIA ASSOCIATION OF HEALTHCARE EXECUTIVES

This event qualifies for 7.75 hours of ACHE Qualified Education CEUs.

## SPEAKERS

All speakers photos, biographies, lecture titles and objectives are listed on our website at [www.accga.org](http://www.accga.org) for your review prior to registration.

## COURSE OBJECTIVE

To update our members on the latest developments in general and interventional cardiology, and issues affecting our clinical practice.

## CREDIT STATEMENT

The Georgia Chapter of the American College of Cardiology is accredited by the Medical Association of Georgia to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

The Georgia Chapter of the American College of Cardiology designates this live activity for a maximum of 7.75 *AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™*. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.