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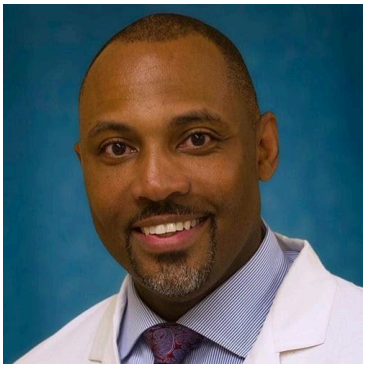
Early Recognition and Treatment of Hepatic Encephalopathy

30-Minute Webinar | 0.5 CME Credit

Hepatic encephalopathy remains under-recognized, under-diagnosed, and often misunderstood. Early identification can prevent hospitalization, reduce readmissions, and improve long-term outcomes. Join Dr. Stanley Thompson as he takes an extensive look at the key issues in the diagnosis and management of HE.

Registration Open Soon!



Stanley C. Thompson, MD, FACEP is Chief Clinical Officer with TeamHealth's Lifepoint Group, where he oversees 61 emergency medicine, hospital medicine, and anesthesia contracts nationwide. Dr. Thompson trained at the University of Tennessee and Emory, holds an MHA from Penn State, and served on the ACEP Expert Panel on Hepatic Encephalopathy.

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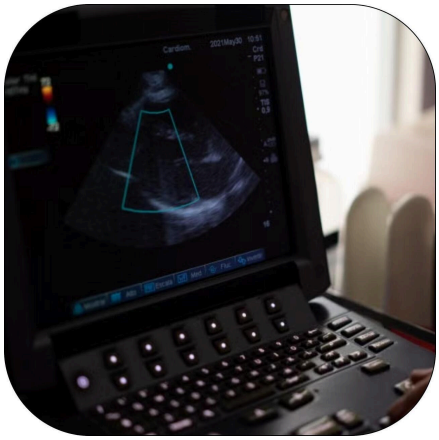

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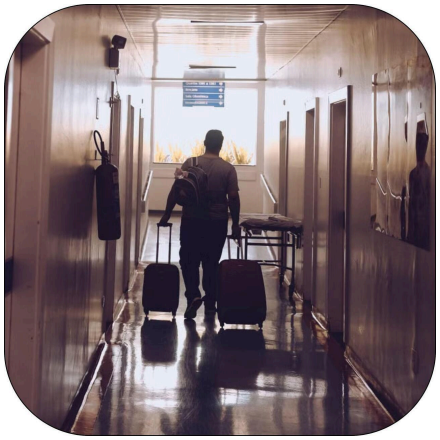

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Kate Douglass, MD is a Professor of Emergency Medicine at George Washington University. Dr. Douglass is specifically interested in international emergency medical systems development with a focus on sustainability, cost effectiveness, and effective educational interventions. She has worked extensively with international medical programs and policy initiatives, including projects in India, Saudi Arabia, Zambia, Turkey, Ethiopia, and Peru.

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