

## **2021 Edward-Elmhurst CME Enduring Journals**

## **COVID-19 Pulmonology & Pathophysiology Updates**

**Date(s):** Enduring Material – Available Online: 3/18/2021 through 3/18/2022

Time(s): Online – Available Anytime

**Place:** Online – Available Anytime

Registration\*:

**Registration** <u>not required</u> for enduring CME events. \*Due to requirements of our CME accreditation, credits are

not applied to transcripts until participants complete the post-test and required evaluations for enduring material.

Over the last two decades, the coronavirus family has been identified as the source of several highly pathogenic global outbreaks. The recent coronavirus-2 (SARS-CoV-2) has been identified as the culprit of the current, highly infectious outbreak. As the COVID-19 exhibits similar to the 2003 Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS), clinical manifestation most commonly presents in the pulmonary system. Treatment can vary depending on the infected individuals' symptoms which range from mild to severe. Two kinds of tests are available for COVID-19: viral tests and antibody tests. This live activity is designed to review the latest pulmonology and pathology findings on treatment and testing for COVID-19.

**Program Objectives**: At the conclusion of this enduring activity, participants should be able to:

- 1. Review combination testing and discuss CDC testing recommendations.
- 2. Review the inpatient management of severe respiratory disease in COVID-19.
- 3. Identify the respiratory manifestations of COVID-19.
- 4. Evaluate the predictors of worsened respiratory outcomes caused by COVID-19.
- 5. Identify indications for outpatient management of respiratory symptoms of COVID-19 including if/when steroids should be used.
- 6. Review the viral structure of the SARS-CoV-2 virus and how it relates to transmission dynamics and testing.
- 7. Compare rapid and standard PCR-based assays for the diagnosis of COVID-19.
- 8. Discuss the differences between antigen and antibody testing for COVID-19.

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