Announcements

(Requests for announcements must be received at least 3 months before publication.)

CERTIFICATION OF PATHOLOGISTS

The American Board of Pathology is the certifying agency for pathologists in the United States. Certification is a four-step process that documents that a candidate has successfully completed each of the following:

- a course of professional education
- approved residency training
- the application process
- the certification examinations

The candidate must successfully complete the course of study in a medical/osteopathic school accredited by the Liaison Committee for Medical Education or the American Osteopathic Association or accepted by The American Board of Pathology and must be awarded the doctor of medicine or doctor of osteopathic medicine degree.

The candidate must then successfully complete residency training in a program accredited for pathology training by the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education or by the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada. The interaction with the program director is critical to this phase of the process, because the program director must endorse the candidate as qualified to sit for the examinations.

The application process begins with a written request by the candidate and continues until the candidate has been declared qualified to take the examinations. This process documents the candidate's successful completion of medical education, which includes a copy of a valid, full, and unrestricted license to practice medicine or osteopathy issued by one of the licensing agencies of the United States or Canada. Letters of reference are required from persons who can attest to the candidate's character, abilities, and level of proficiency in the discipline. In addition, the program director must review and sign the application form, thereby verifying that the applicant successfully completed the residency training program and supporting the candidate's request for certification.

The certification examination is the final step in the process. In order to be successful, the candidate must demonstrate adequate knowledge in the discipline by achieving a passing score in the written and practical examinations. Successful completion of the course of study, the approved residency training, the application process, and the certifying examinations results in the awarding of a certificate attesting to the diplomate status of the candidate.

UROLOGIC SURGICAL PATHOLOGY FOR THE PRACTICING PATHOLOGIST

January 18-21, 2002 Directed by Robert H. Young, M.D. to be held at DOUBLETREE LA POSADA RESORT, SCOTTSDALE, ARIZONA

The Department of Pathology, Massachusetts General Hospital, Harvard Medical School will present a four-day postgraduate course in Urologic Surgical Pathology under the direction of Robert H. Young, M.D. with faculty as listed below. The hotel is set in the foothills of Camelback Mountain within a few minutes of the center of Scottsdale with its outstanding shopping, art museums and galleries. The objective of this course is to provide a comprehensive review of urologic surgical pathology with special attention paid to common diagnostic problems such as prostate biopsy interpretation, recent advances and new entities. Instruction will be primarily by lecture, but will also include frequent discussion periods. Each participant will receive a comprehensive course syllabus.

Faculty

Mahul Amin, M.D. Emory University John N. Eble, M.D. Indiana University Jonathan I. Epstein, M.D. Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine Robert H. Young, M.D. Massachusetts General Hospital, Harvard Medical School

The course has Category I accreditation for 25 hours CME credits by the American Medical Association. The fee for the course is \$695.00 (residents and fellows, \$525.00). For further information contact: Department of Continuing Education, Harvard

Medical School, P.O. Box 825, Boston, MA 02117-0825, Telephone 617-384-8600, Fax 617-384-8686; E-mail: hms-cme@hms.harvard.edu.

SURGICAL PATHOLOGY FOR THE PRACTICING PATHOLOGIST: SELECTED TOPICS

March 22-25, 2002 Directed by Robert H. Young, M.D. to be held at SANIBEL HARBOUR RESORT AND SPA, FT. MYERS, FLORIDA

The Department of Pathology, Massachusetts General Hospital, Harvard Medical School will present a four-day postgraduate course in Surgical Pathology under the direction of Robert H. Young, M.D. with faculty as listed below. The course is being held at the Sanibel Harbour Resort and Spa, located on a private peninsula with a panoramic waterview looking towards the islands of Sanibel and Captiva, well known for their unspoiled charm. The objective of this course is to provide a comprehensive review of selected topics in surgical pathology including bone and soft tissue, breast, mesothelium, ovary, prostate, urinary bladder, uterine cervix and corpus. Instruction will be primarily by lecture, but will also include frequent discussion periods. Each participant will receive a comprehensive course syllabus.

Faculty

Philip B. Clement, M.D. Vancouver General Hospital, University of British Columbia Andrew E. Rosenberg, M.D. Massachusetts General Hospital, Harvard Medical School Fattaneh Tavassoli, M.D. Armed Forces Institute of Pathology Robert H. Young, M.D. Massachusetts General Hospital, Harvard Medical School

The course has Category I accreditation for approximately 25 hours CME credits by the American Medical Association. The fee for the course is \$690.00 (residents and fellows, \$525.00). For further information contact: Department of Continuing Education, Harvard Medical School, P.O. Box 825, Boston, MA 02117-0825, Telephone 617-384-8600, Fax 617-384-8686; E-mail: hms-cme@hms.harvard.edu.