

June 25, 1987
APEX - AIDS Provider Education Experience
San Francisco General Hospital

GENERAL INFORMATION FOR PROGRAM FACULTY AND PRESENTERS

Through a recent donation from Huey Lewis and the News, a well-known rock group, monies were made available to provide the administrative support for the initiation of an educational program for physicians targeted to begin July 20, 1987. At the outset, the curriculum will provide a four week program which combines didactic talks, outpatient clinic experience, inpatient rounds, and workshops focusing on infection, malignancy, community outreach, psychosocial issues, and administrative and financial program development. The program will be aimed at physicians, principally those involved in primary care initially from the San Francisco Bay Area and later from California and other parts of the country. There will be 5 to 10 attendees per session, so that considerable dialogue will be possible. The program will be offered approximately every other month given six to ten times in the first year, with the first program dates being July 20 to August 14, September 14 to October 9, and October 26 to November 20.

The initial programs will function as a pilot after which a course program will be available and a regular schedule will be in operation. It is hoped that as the curriculum becomes regularized individuals on the faculty and in training at this hospital from a variety of departments will be able to attend individual lectures so that this can act as an ongoing means of internal continuing medical education.

The program will be administered through the AIDS Activities Division. The administrative coordinator, Jeff Hanson, will be joining us in early July and who can be reached at 821-5531 after July 10. If you would like program information or know of a physician who would like to participate, materials can be requested from Jeff Hansen.

The AIDS Activities faculty principally involved in curriculum development are Connie Wofsy, M.D., Donald Abrams, M.D., Tom Hall, M.D. and Michael Clement, M.D., all available through Ward 84 at 821-5531. The general program is under the overall direction of Paul Volberding, M.D., Director of the AIDS Activities Division.

Didactic lectures will be given on Ward 95 in the conference room. A carosel projector, screen, pointer and transparency projector will be available, as well as a chalk board with chalk and eraser. The cost of slide preparation and duplication of x-rays and purchase of specific workshop teaching materials will be available through the AIDS Activities Division.

Syllabus and Handout: Maximal acceptance of course instruction occurs when there is a program syllabus or handout materials are made available. The optimal material for each lecture will differ considerably, but suggestions are:

1. A brief course outline
2. Two to five reprints felt to be most representative of the subject matter which can be duplicated for inclusion in a looseleaf notebook for the participants
3. Specific one page handouts on given areas, such as treatment of a particular infection, or common radiographic findings, or updated statistics published by CDC, Department of Public Health, etc.

A looseleaf binder with the course materials will be made available to each of the participating faculty or departments with additional copies available upon request. The success of the program depends very much on the outstanding faculty in the many departments involved directly in AIDS related care at San Francisco General Hospital. Our diagnostic, therapeutic, support and infection control programs truly do set a national standard. Your participation is most gratefully acknowledged.