Long-Term Care: The Places, the Practice and the Problems

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Long-term care is an integral part of the health care system. The most challenging patients reside in our long-term care facilities. Physicians practicing in long-term care must be able to manage complex medical and psychosocial problems, have a strong understanding of health care systems, and have a basic understanding of regulations and third-party payer systems.

This seminar is designed to provide case based-small group discussion training along with experiential activity in a long-term care facility.

Objectives:
Upon completion the student will be able to:
1. List the benefits and burdens of caring for a patient in a long-term care facility.
2. Describe evaluation and management of common medical problems and psychosocial problems for patients utilizing long-term care.
3. Describe the various types of long-term care venues, the qualifications to receive care there, and the third-party payer qualifications and basic regulations.
4. Describe the array of practice types physicians utilize in delivery of care to long-term care facilities.