

ISCD Bone Densitometry Course and Certification Exam

Registration and Travel Information Chicago, IL December 5-6 2009

Thank you for your interest in the ISCD Bone Densitometry Course and Certification Exam. The following information will assist you in making arrangements to attend the ISCD Program.

1. Course Location/Hotel Accommodations

Chicago Marriott O'Hare
8535 West Higgins Road
Chicago, IL 60631
773.693.4444

ISCD Room Rate: Single/Double: \$99
Reservation Deadline: November 13, 2009
For information about directions and parking, contact the hotel directly.

2. Course and Exam Registration

Course fees include the course syllabus. Exam fees cover only the exam and do not include the course syllabus. However, it may be purchased separately by those who wish to do so. See the course fees section. Registration for the Technologist Certification Exam is handled separately from course registration. Technologists who wish to take the exam may print the exam application form and handbook from the ISCD Web site.

- You can register online for a specific course at www.ISCD.org under "Upcoming Courses".
- NOTE: The deadline for online registration is 3 days prior to the course.**
- You can register via mail by completing and returning the form with payment. Check, Visa, MasterCard and American Express are accepted. **The deadline for pre-registration is November 28, 2009.** Full payment must accompany the registration (U.S. Dollars Only). Registrations are not accepted over the phone.
- Have any special physical or dietary needs? Let us know by calling 860.586.7563. ext 583

NOTE: Additional fee applies for onsite registration. See course fees.

3. Registration Confirmation and Course Materials

Registration confirmation and course materials will be mailed 30 days prior to the course. Please bring the course materials to the course. Contact the ISCD office if you have not received written confirmation and course materials at least seven (7) days prior to the course date. **If your registration is received**

after the pre-registration deadline, you will receive your materials onsite.

4. ISCD Member Benefits

ISCD members save on registrations for ISCD programs. Visit our web site at www.ISCD.org for membership qualifications and benefits. Join the ISCD and receive official ISCD publications – quarterly scientific journal (optional), SCAN (quarterly newsletter), an invitation to the ISCD Annual Meeting, and industry updates. Member year is January – December. **Special Offer: Join Now and Receive Membership through December 31, 2010** When you join now you will receive complimentary membership for the remainder of 2009 in addition to your 2010 membership (January 1, 2010 – December 31, 2010).

5. Course Changes or Cancellations

ISCD reserves the right to cancel the program, change dates and/or meeting location. Every effort is made to maintain the program as indicated on the schedule. If a program is cancelled, all program fees will automatically be refunded unless the registered participant elects to transfer to another program. (See **Transfers** section for specific details and information.) The registered participant will be notified by ISCD based on information from the submitted Registration Form.

6. Travel Arrangements

SMA Tours is the official travel agency for all ISCD events. Visit the online travel center at www.ISCD.org and click on the travel center link. It is easy to use, convenient and always open.

7. Travel Cancellations Disclaimer

ISCD does not assume responsibility for registrants' travel or hotel expenses. Travel cancellations are subject to the terms and fees applicable to the agreements made by the registrants directly with the hotel, airline or other party at the time of booking. ISCD recommends that travel arrangements be made no sooner than 30 days prior to the program date.

8. Cancellation/Transfers/Refunds

Cancellations and transfers must be received by ISCD **in writing**.

- Cancellations received 30 days or more before the course are subject to a \$25 cancellation fee. Any cancellation received after the 30-day date is subject to a \$75 fee. No refund will be issued for cancellations received less than six (6) days before the course date. All requests **must** be in writing.
- Transfers to another course must be made at least 14 days before the course and is subject to program availability. All requests **must** be in writing and must include a \$25 administrative fee.
- "No shows" will not receive a refund or be eligible to transfer.

9. Disclaimer

The information and suggestions presented at the courses, seminars and other programs sponsored by ISCD and other collaborating societies are subject to change and therefore should serve only as a foundation for further investigation and study. Any forms presented at our seminars or programs are samples only and are not necessarily authoritative. All information, procedures and forms contained or used in such seminars or programs should serve only as a guide for use in specific situations.

10. Course Definition

Clinician Course: Open to MDs, PhDs, DOs, Nurse Practitioners, Physician Assistants, Fellows and Residents.

Technologist Course: Open to any allied health professional performing DXA scans.

Clinician Course for Technologists: Technologists may attend the Clinician Course if gaining information about interpreting DXA scans would assist them with their job responsibilities. However, it is recommended that the Technologist Course be taken first.

11. Prerequisites

Clinician Course: Must be in good standing with your licensing organization.

*Technologist Course **Must have experience performing DXA Scans.*** This is an intermediate level course and is therefore not a suitable course for beginners who have no experience doing DXA scans.

Fellow/Resident: Must be in good standing with Fellow program (attestation required).

12. Course Objectives

Clinician Course: After attending the course, participants should be better prepared to:

- Recognize the clinical utility of bone densitometry and other modalities to assess and monitor the fracture risk of your patients with low bone mass.
- Implement recommendations of the 2007 Official Positions to reduce DXA acquisition and interpretation errors.
- Recognize the utility and limitations of the WHO classification to diagnose osteoporosis.
- Conduct a precision assessment to ensure the accuracy and precision of the BMD testing done on your patients.
- Apply the recommendations of the ISCD Official Positions for interpreting and reporting DXA scan results to improve patient management for your patients with low bone mass.

Technologist Course: After attending the course, participants should be better prepared to:

- Identify the technique, safety and limitations of DXA scanning
- Explain the value of utilizing bone densitometry to assess and monitor fracture risk
- Apply knowledge of quality control and operation of DXA equipment.
- Review patient preparation and proper positioning for DXA scanning.
- Identify and perform proper scan acquisition and analysis

13. Accreditation Statement

The International Society for Clinical Densitometry is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) to offer continuing medical education for physicians.

14. Credit Designation

The International Society for Clinical Densitometry designates this educational activity for a maximum of *11.0 AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s)*TM. Physicians should only claim credits commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

15. Policy on Commercial Support and Conflict of Interest

The ISCD maintains a policy on the use of commercial support, which ensures that all educational activities sponsored by the ISCD provide in-depth presentations that are fair, balanced, independent and scientifically rigorous. All faculty and planners are required to complete a Conflict of Interest form. This information will be made available through syllabus materials.

16. CE Credit

Technologist Course: The course qualifies for 13.5 category A credits through the ASRT. Technologists must sign in and out each day to verify attendance and receive credit. Partial credit will not be given.

Clinician Course for Technologists: The course qualifies for 14 category A credits through the ASRT. Technologists must sign in and out each day to verify attendance and receive credit. Partial credit

will not be given.

17. Certification Exam

To become certified, it is necessary to pass the Certification Exam. The US Technologist Certification Exam is offered several times per year at locations throughout the United States, unless otherwise specified. Technologists who wish to take the exam may print the exam application form and handbook from the ISCD Web site. The Clinician Certification Exam is offered immediately following the course at each course location and is paper and pencil. Attendance at the course is not required for either exam. Outside the US, both the technologist and Clinician Certification Exams will be offered immediately following the course at each course location (attendance at the course is not required).

The ISCD Clinician and Technologist certification exams are based upon the certification content outline developed from a Practice/Job Analysis survey. Exam questions are mapped to the core references for each examination.

The core references are listed in the [Information Sheet for Technologists](#) and the [Information Sheet for Clinicians](#). These references can be purchased through the [ISCD BoneYard](#).

18. On-Site Course Registration/Sign In

Date: Saturday, December 5, 2009

Time: 7:30 AM – 8:00 AM

NOTE: Additional fee applies for onsite registration. See course fees.

Course Schedule

DAY 1

7:30 AM – 8:00 AM Registration

8:00 AM – 11:30 AM Intro/General Session

Clinicians & Technologists Divide

11:30 AM- 6:00 PM Clinician Course

11:30 AM – 6:00 PM Technologist Course

DAY 2

7:30 AM – 8:00 AM Sign-In

8:00 AM – 9:30 AM General Session

Clinicians & Technologists Divide

9:30 AM – 11:00 AM Clinician Course

Those not taking the exam may leave at 11:00 AM.

11:15 AM – 1:15 PM Clinician Exam

9:30 AM- 1:15 PM Technologist Course

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Note: Dress in layers of clothing as room temperatures vary for each person.



ATTESTATION

Fellow/Resident: Your program director must complete the following:

I attest that the above named person is currently a participant in good standing in our Residency/Fellowship program.

Director's Signature:

Residency/Fellowship End Date

The ISCD fully complies with the legal requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act. If there are any special accommodations you need to participate fully in the ISCD program, list below and contact ISCD at 860.586.7563 ext 583 to discuss those accommodations.

PAYMENT:

Check (Payable to ISCD in U.S. dollars drawn on a U.S. bank): Amount enclosed: US\$ _____

Credit Card: MasterCard VISA American Express Amount: US \$ _____

Card Number: _____ Exp. Date: _____

Billing Address of Credit Card Holder: Same as page 1 Other, complete below:

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip code: _____ Country: _____

Card Holder Name:

Signature:

Registration Options

- a. Online. Register securely at www.ISCD.org under "Upcoming Courses".
- b. By Mail (check or credit card information required)

Send the Registration Form and Payment to:

ISCD Education Department
342 North Main Street
West Hartford, CT 06117-2507

Questions? Call 860.586.7563 ext 583