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The Foundation for Education and Research in Neurological Emergencies (FERNE) is pleased to participate in the **2008 American Academy of Emergency Medicine Scientific Assembly**. We would like to thank AAEM and its educational committee for this opportunity. We would like to specifically thank Kevin Rodgers, Tom Scaletta, Kay Whelan, and Janet Wilson for their assistance with FERNE's educational program today.

Today FERNE is pleased to present the neurological emergencies track, **The FERNE Brain Illness and Injury Course**. This educational program will include a workshop titled: "**ED Seizure and SE Patient Workshop: When Do We Use Which Parenteral Antiepileptic Drugs, and Does It Depend on Oral AED Use?**" As a result of attending this symposium, you should be able to better understand the epidemiology, pathophysiology and the optimal ED diagnosis and treatment of patients with neurological emergencies. Additionally, you should also be more familiar with the most commonly utilized anti-epileptic drugs that we utilize to optimize the outcome of patients with ED seizures and SE.

Neurological Emergencies Track: The FERNE Brain Illness and Injury Course

Date: Friday February 8, 2008

Time: 2pm - 6pm

Room: Track D Room Ossabaw A, Amelia Island Plantation

The ED seizure and SE patient workshop will begin at approximately 3:30 pm and will last for approximately 45 minutes.

CME credit is being provided by AAEM for this educational session. It is hoped that you will be able to complete the CME evaluation form so that FERNE and AAEM can continue to provide to you quality medical educational symposia.

I believe you will find this course and the educational materials relevant to your clinical practice. FERNE's intention is for you to take what you have learned back to your institutions and to present it to those who could not attend today, including the seizure workshop workbook. In the materials you have received today is a CD-ROM that contains links to all of the written materials and presentations that will be given here today, including the answers to the workshop questions.

If you are interested in the materials used during this meeting and other neurological emergencies materials, please explore our website, www.ferne.org, where more than 400 lectures by over 185 physicians are available for viewing and downloading at your own institutions in order to teach others.

Last but not least, FERNE would like to thank Ortho-McNeil Neurologics, Inc for their generous support of the ED seizure and SE patient workshop, funded via a FERNE educational grant. Without industry support such as that provided by Ortho-McNeil Neurologics, Inc, it would not be possible to provide quality educational sessions such as today's program to you.

Thank you for joining us today. I hope you find today's educational program rewarding and enjoyable.

Sincerely,

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Professor, UIC Department of Emergency Medicine