



ERIC LEPP CLINICAL VIGNETTES (Case Study)

History

When Eric Lepp undertook to become a specialist in Nuclear Medicine, he made a full commitment to mastering this clinical specialty. He was an outstanding resident in the University of Western Ontario program. After residency, he returned to his home city of Regina, where he developed an exemplary practice and came to be recognized as a role model. His enthusiasm to teach enticed several young physicians into the specialty. He is remembered for his kindness to coworkers, his love of teaching, his deeply considered personal values and his high standard of service to other physicians and in his care for patients. The abruptness of his death in 1990 still troubles us who knew him. It is fitting that the Canadian Association of Nuclear Medicine offers this award annually to a young nuclear medicine physician, in memory of Dr. Lepp and in recognition of the outstanding contribution that he made to the profession.

Purpose

To inculcate in residents, attributes of critical analysis and scholarly pursuit; to enhance their ability to synthesize and communicate their observations or findings for critical evaluation by peers.

Definition

A clinical vignette is a concise 10-minute presentation of a unique, unusual or complex nuclear medicine problem in which the resident has played an active role. It should summarize the clinical history, physical and laboratory findings, tentative diagnosis, and diagnostic investigation, highlighting the role played by the nuclear medicine examination in altering patient outcome. References to the relevant literature should be included together with any practical "take-home" message illustrated by the case. It should include at least one figure.

Eligibility

Junior nuclear medicine physicians, within two years of completion of residency, or any resident enrolled in a nuclear medicine residency program at a Canadian medical school are eligible. Senior (third and fourth year) residents are particularly encouraged to compete but submissions from more junior residents will be equally welcomed.

To Enter

An abstract of the presentation should be submitted to the Canadian Association of Nuclear Medicine *Call for Abstracts – Eric Lepp Clinical Vignettes*

The Competition

Author(s) of abstract judged best by the CANM Program Committee on the basis of originality, clarity and scientific/educational merit will be invited to present their work in the Clinical Vignettes in Nuclear Medicine Session at the CANM annual meeting. The abstracts will be judged on content, clarity, teaching message and presentation format.

The Eric Lepp Clinical Vignettes in Nuclear Medicine Prize

The prize, which includes a cash prize of \$750, will be made to the author of the vignette judged best overall.