Friday, March 18, 2016
8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. • 7:30 a.m. Registration
Breakfast and Lunch Included • Reception immediately following
The Crowne Plaza • 900 Scudders Mill Rd, Plainsboro, NJ

Through a mock trial that uses actual defense attorneys, plaintiff attorneys and a former judge, participants will be provided the opportunity to learn first hand about the unique aspects of a medical malpractice trial. Attendees will witness openings, closings, direct and cross-examination of witnesses, and will participate in five segments of interactive discussion of the medical facts of the case, the use of expert witnesses, the ethical quandaries presented by expert testimony, and the techniques and strategic choices utilized by the attorneys involved.

Through engaging in a simulated trial, physicians will learn what to expect if they are ever involved with a case that goes to trial, as well as important risk management strategies to help minimize the risk of claims and litigation. Attorneys attending the course will learn effective trial techniques and strategies, methods for direct and cross-examination, and methods of preparation to allow for an impressive case presentation.

At the end of this seminar, physician participants will be able to:

1. Employ constructive strategies that will ensure that the physician is a key participant in his/her defense once a legal action has been initiated.
2. Discuss the importance of effective provider-to-provider communication and the necessity of reviewing diagnostic test results that are ordered by another provider.
3. Discuss the potential patient safety and legal implications associated with track-thinking in narrow diagnostic focus.
4. Discuss implications of alteration of medical records and the legal ramifications.

At the end of this seminar, attorney participants will be able to:

1. Evaluate techniques for presenting evidence to a jury.
2. Discuss ethical quandaries relating to preparation of witness testimony.
3. Analyze strategies for working with and presenting expert witnesses.

Presenters:
Hon. Paul W. Armstrong, JSC (Ret.), Kern Augustine Conroy & Schoppmann, LLC;
Gregory Giordano, Esq., Lenox, Socey, Formidoni, Giordano, Cooley, Lang & Casey, LLC; Paul Schaaff, Esq., Orlovsky, Moody, Schaff, Conlon & Gabrysiak, LLC; Renee Sherman, Esq., Ruprecht Hart Weeks & Ricciardulli, LLP; Joseph Lang, Esq., Lenox, Socey, Formidoni, Giordano, Cooley, Lang & Casey, LLC; and Erin Bedell, Esq., Orlovsky, Moody, Schaff, Conlon & Gabrysiak, LLC.

Moderators:
Patricia A. Costante, Chairman and CEO of MDAvantage; and Steve Adubato, PhD.
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☐ I also plan to attend the reception that immediately follows the Mock Trial.