**June 4 – Monday – 12:20 PM – 1 hr**
Buffalo Hill Conference Center

**Title and Speaker**

**New Directions in Diabetic Renal Disease**

Michael Sutters, MD, Nephrology, Virginia Mason Medical Center, Seattle, WA 98111

**Objectives:**

- Describe recent advances in pathophysiology and therapeutics.
- Demonstrate familiarity with evaluation and timing of referral.
- Communicate new information to patients and colleagues.

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**June 11 – Monday – 12:20 PM – 1 hr**
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**Title and Speaker**

**Diabetes Head and Toe: What does primary care need to know?**

Ester Barnes, B.S., D.P.M., Podiatric Surgery, Step Ahead Foot & Ankle Clinic / Kalispell Regional Medical Center’s Wound, Ostomy, and Hyperbaric Center

Aaron Alme, MD, Ophthalmology, Glacier Eye Clinic, Kalispell, MT

**Objectives:**

- Differentiate the role of a podiatrist and other provider specialties in the prevention of diabetic foot complications.
- Explain the importance of addressing calluses and “pressure points” before they progress into ulcerations, or limb-threatening infections.
- Describe pressure “offloading” via appropriate shoe selection and orthotic fabrication, in the care of the diabetic foot.
- Identify risk factors for diabetic retinopathy.
- Discuss tools appropriate for diabetic screening. Utilize ophthalmology consultation for preservation of vision.
- Formulate a schedule appropriate for screening of diabetic retinopathy.

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**June 18 – Monday – 12:20 PM – 1 hr**
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**Title and Speaker**

**Alcoholism**

Lisa Fleisher, MD, Primary Care, Big Sky Family Medicine, Kalispell, MT

**Objectives:**

- Define alcohol abuse and alcohol dependence.
- Differentiate between moderate and heavy drinking, according to NIH guidelines.
- Discuss the physiologic effects of excessive alcohol use.
- Identify common medical orders and needs for the patient with alcohol issues.

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**June 25 – Monday – 12:20 PM – 1 hr**
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**Title and Speaker**

**Montana Professional Assistance Program: Setting the Standard for Professional Recovery**

Michael Ramirez, MS, Clinical Coordinator, Montana Professional Assistance Program, Inc., Billings, MT

**Objectives:**

- Identify sentinels for reporting possible impairment.
- Describe recent developments and current trends in the field of physician health.
- State objectives of Physician Health Program: promote public safety and provide a forum for rehabilitation of colleagues.

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