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Improving Care in IBS and CIC Live Symposium to be Held at National Conference in Washington, D.C.

Unique symposium will include an actual patient in the expert faculty panel to address variabilities in patient vs clinician perspectives and improve care & outcomes

**BETHESDA, Maryland (May 23, 2018)** – CME Outfitters (CMEO), a leading accredited provider in continuing medical education, will host a live symposium, *Getting to the Gut of the Matter: Closing the Gaps in Diagnosis, Effective Treatment, and Comprehensive Care in IBS and CIC,* Saturday, June 2, 2018 from 6:30 – 7:45AM CT in the Marriott Marquis Liberty Ballroom in Washington, DC, as part of a national conference.

With ten to fifteen percent of the adult population affected, irritable bowel syndrome (IBS) is the most common diagnosis in clinical gastroenterology. IBS and chronic idiopathic constipation (CIC) are debilitating, often misunderstood, and can be a challenge to diagnose and manage. In addition, personal shame and embarrassment often impact patients seeking treatment for their bowel symptoms.

To address these issues, this unique symposium will integrate a patient into the expert faculty panel to provide attending clinicians with strategies to improve patient-provider communication to engage patients in discussions about their bowel health and patient-centric treatment strategies that relieve symptoms. Additionally, video vignettes of realistic patient-provider interactions will reflect the variability in symptom presentation, patient preferences or reluctance to move beyond OTC treatments, and treatment selection encountered in routine practice.

Moderator Dr. Brooks Cash will be joined by Dr. William Chey to dive deeper into these variabilities and "get to the gut" of the matter to decrease delays in diagnosis, find the most effective treatment strategies, and improve overall patient outcomes in IBS and CIC.

For more information or to pre-register for free, visit http://bit.ly/IBScme.

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