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“All of us at SightMD are passionate about advancing optometric educational opportunities and enjoy collaborating with our primary eye care colleagues every six months to share recent advances and breakthroughs in our respective fields,” said Dr. Martin. “SightMD is committed to working closely with doctors throughout the optometric community to ensure that proper credentialing and educational requirements are met in a timely and professional manner.”

Attending primary eye care providers consider SightMD’s continuing education (CE) symposium among the most prominent courses of its kind. It is named as a tribute to honor the life and medical career of Long Island optometrist, Dr. Frank S. Verdone, who recently lost his battle against Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS). SightMD is a leading multi-specialty ophthalmology group with a tradition of eye excellence that spans more than 50 years. Recognized as New York’s fastest grouping ophthalmic provider group, SightMD currently has 54 physicians and 24 comprehensive eye locations.

This year’s 17th semi-annual continuing education event for optometrists will be held on Sunday, January 27, 2019 at the Huntington Hilton in Melville, NY, where optometrists from across the region will receive six CE approved for both New York and Florida eye doctors. “We’ve been sponsoring these events for years,” said Dr. Martin. “Our purpose in sponsoring these semi-annual symposiums is to ensure that the optometric community has access to the latest trends in eye care and that the continuity of care between ophthalmology and optometry remains seamless.”

Dr. Martin also pointed out that the overall goal of their optometric educational symposiums is help educate and inform their optometric partners on the latest breakthroughs in prevention, diagnosis and treatment of many of today’s most common vision-threatening conditions. “Over the years, our educational efforts have proven that the more closely we can co-manage patient care with our optometric colleagues, the more beneficial it is to our patients,” he said. “We feel SightMD is raising the overall level of patient care by providing a seamless quality
of care to patients who are referred from our optometric partners.”

This year’s event feature an experienced faculty who will lecture on a wide variety of topics, including: Strabismus Treatment in Patients with Neurological Disorders; Pterygia Causes & Effects; Compliance & Adherence in Glaucoma Therapy; Newest Trends in Diabetic Retinopathy; Cataract & Refractive Surgery; True Ocular Emergencies.

A total of 6 credit hours of continuing education – approved in both New York & Florida – will be presented. Faculty for this year’s event includes John Mauro, DO, Edward Marcus, MD, Michelle Liebert, MD, Alanna Nattis, DO, Faye Knoll, MD, Raj Sarwal, MD, Jordan Garelick, MD, Craig Richter, MD, Jeffrey Martin, MD, Carlo Pelino, OD, Andrew Bainnson, MD and Lawrence Buono, MD.

“Dr. Liebert and co-instructor, Dr. Buono, will open this year’s symposium with an interesting lecture on strabismus treatment. At 9 a.m., Dr. Knoll will lecture on the causes and effects of pterygiums.

After a brief morning break with medical vendors, Dr. Bainnson and his co-instructors, Dr. Sarwal and Dr. Richter, will lecture on 21st century treatment protocols for glaucoma. Dr. Marcus will finish the morning lectures with a discussion on the newest trends in diabetic retinopathy.

During the scheduled lunch break from 12:15 p.m. – 1:00 p.m., attending doctors will have an opportunity to engage with medical vendors, attending ophthalmologists and faculty members. Following the 45-minute lunch break, Dr. Mauro and his co-instructors, Dr. Martin and Dr. Garelick, will lead off the afternoon with a discussion on where the eye care industry is today with regard to refractive cataract surgery.

Special guest, Dr. Pelino will finish up the 6 hours of CE with a lecture on treating true ocular emergencies.

Dr. Martin indicated how proud he and his SightMD colleagues are of the continued growth of their optometric educational symposiums. “As the attendance and participation in our symposiums continues to grow, it serves as quiet reinforcement that our efforts toward advancing the educational pursuits and building meaningful relationships with our optometric colleagues have not gone unnoticed,” he said. “We remain fully committed to providing our optometric partners a professional and convenient way to earn their Continuing Education credits each year.”

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The doctors and staff of SightMD represent Long Island’s most established, full-service comprehensive eye care provider. SightMD is the official LASIK Provider of the New York Mets. Many of their physicians have been voted ‘TOP DOCTORS’ in the New York Metro Area by Castle Connolly and SightMD has earned ‘Best Of Long Island’ honors for the past few years.

SightMD maintains offices in Amityville, Bay Shore, Babylon, Bethpage, Brentwood, Deer Park, Garden City, Hampton Bays, Hauppauge, Hempstead, Holbrook, Huntington, Little Neck, Manhattan, Patchogue, Port Jefferson, Riverhead, Rockville Center, Sayville, Smithtown, Southampton, Southold, and West Islip. They specialize in cataract care, LASIK laser vision correction, glaucoma management, diabetic eye disease, ocular plastic surgery, retinal care, and audiology. For more information about SightMD, please contact Jacqueline Hernandez at 1-855-295-4144.
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