Biliary Disease: A Collaborative Algorithm Based Approach Between Primary Care and Surgery

Learning Objectives as follows:

• Incorporate approach to the patient with benign biliary tract disease as a prototype for collaboration between primary care and surgical practitioners in changing world of health care.
• Implement a preoperative algorithm for workup of the patient with right upper quadrant pain.
• Review evidence based guidelines in the area of benign biliary tract disease.
• Understand the indications for laparoscopic cholecystectomy including acute versus interval surgical intervention.

Outline:

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• Acute Care Surgery
• ACS Evidence
• ACS – Strengths
• ACS Challenges
• ACO Era: Perspective of ACS Surgeon
• ACO Era: PCPs and ACS need collaboration
• AC Mortality Over Time
• What is the Evidence?
• For Biliary Colic
  • Symptoms of Acute Cholecystitis
  • Treatment of Acute Cholecystitis
  • Controversies in Treatment of Acute Cholecystitis
• What is the Evidence?
• For Acute Cholecystitis:
  • Open Cholecystostomy – A Bad Rap?
  • Cholecystostomy Tube Studies
  • Caveats of Cholecystostomy
• What About Patients with Complex Acute Cholecystitis
• Biliary Dyskinesia
• Algorithm of Care for AC
• Take Home Messages
• PCPs and Acute Care Surgeons can work closely to provide timely care for these and other patients