

**MULTIPLE RISK MANAGEMENT OF CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASES IN DIABETIC PATIENTS**

Tuesday, September 29, 2009, 11:00 – 12:30. (Lunch will follow).

Stolz 1 Hall**WELCOME**

“Despite the growing evidence of mortality and morbidity benefits from lifestyle changes, risk factor management, and use of cardioprotective drugs, numerous barriers to CVD prevention and management remain to be conquered, both in the individual patient and in the at-risk population as a whole. Specifically, an urgent need exists:

- To develop a consensus among specialists in understanding the global (or total) risk of CVD and to transfer the multiple risk factor approach to actual clinical practice.*
- To identify barriers to proper CVD management with a focus on lowering global (or total) risk and to develop an effective plan to overcome these barriers.*
- To assist health care decision makers in their policy development directed at improving the prevention and management of CVD at the EU, national, and regional levels.*

These needs are particularly germane in the context of the European Union, where 27 countries with different health policies and health organizations are now unified under the same regulatory and economic rules.

Results from recent studies in treating CVD events and the development of innovative medical tools for CVD risk assessment and prevention are already beginning to have a dramatic impact on everyday clinical practice” (Atherosclerosis 2009; 10 (S1): 1-30).

Continuing its program on **bridging science and health policy in cardiovascular disease**, the *Fondazione Giovanni Lorenzini Medical Science Foundation (Milan, Italy and Houston, TX, USA)* is pleased to welcome the participants to this educational activity focusing on

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A *slide library* of the event will be available soon on the Foundation’s website, **www.lorenzinifoundation.org**.

We wish to thank you for your participation and we welcome the opportunity to continue the discussion on the crucial issues raised during this session on **www.healthurope.org**.

With best regards.

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