27 physicians to attend University of Montana, St. Patrick symposium on cardiac care

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MISSOULA, Mont.---

Twenty-seven physicians from Montana, Idaho and Wyoming will participate in the Intensive Coronary Care Symposium Feb. 3-6 at the University of Montana (UM) and St. Patrick Hospital, Missoula.

The four-day symposium is administered by the Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education (WICHE) under the Mountain States Regional Medical Program (MSRMP). The symposium deals with recent developments in treatment of heart attack patients.

Symposium registration is at 8 a.m. Monday (Feb. 3) at the University Center.

Medical educators from the University of Washington, Seattle, assist UM faculty and Missoula physicians in conducting symposia such as the one scheduled next week.

Coronary care training comprises one of three health programs in heart disease, stroke and cancer planned for bringing recent health care developments to people living away from large medical centers.

For more than a year, doctors and nurses from Idaho, Montana, Nevada and Wyoming—the four states comprising the MSRMP—have been participating in special training courses in intensive coronary care in Missoula.

Aim of the program, according to Dr. Harold A. Braun, M.D., Missoula, who is director, is to get the University of Washington medical center knowledge to physicians in the field, so patients will get the best possible care on the spot.

Concerning the program, Dr. Braun said, "The Mountain States region is unique, in that no university medical center is contained within its boundaries. In order to handle this problem, we are drawing on expertise from medical centers in nearby states."
Several Missoula physicians will present medical aspects of the program at the University in Missoula. They are Dr. Vasil P. Czorny, Dr. James E. Gouaux, Dr. Richard D. Weber, Dr. Gerald A. Diettert and Dr. Braun.

Special participants include Dr. Vernon D. Standish, M.D., Big Timber; Hugo G. Eck, professor of architecture at Montana State University, Bozeman; George A. Barrow, Missoula, architectural consultant to the coronary care training program, and Dr. John Murray, M.D., consultant cardiologist at the University of Washington School of Medicine.

The University in Missoula is providing space and several personnel for the symposium. Dr. E.W. Pfeiffer, UM zoology professor, is in charge of the physiology laboratory aspects of the four-day symposium. Assisting him will be Gary M. Matson, UM graduate student, and William W. Morrelles, UM zoology preparator.

Physicians attending the UM symposium also will spend two hours each day in laboratory and practice time at St. Patrick Hospital, receiving training in cardiopulmonary resuscitation and cardiac monitoring.

Physicians from Montana scheduled to participate in the symposium include Dr. Charles P. Brooke, Missoula; Dr. James J. Bulger, Dr. John C. Hanley, Dr. Gary R. Jystad, and Dr. Robert E. Wyna, Great Falls; Dr. D.L. Schumacher and Dr. William H. Sippel, Bozeman; Dr. James E. McGreevey and Dr. James L. Patterson Jr., Butte; Dr. Joseph P. Orley and Dr. George B. LeTellier, Lewistown.

Also, Dr. William A. Asbury, Bridger; Dr. Richard S. Buka Jr., Chester; Dr. Frank M. Campbell, Hot Springs; Dr. James K. Cope, Forsyth; Dr. Clayton F. Hogeboom, Baker; Dr. Benjamin Karas, Red Lodge; Dr. Arthur C. Knight, Deer Lodge; Dr. Thomas J. Malee, Glendive; Dr. Warren M. Swager Jr., Sheridan; Dr. Charles E. Trush, Kalispell; Dr. William D. Wise and Dr. F.D. Wreggelsworth, Helena.

Out-of-state physicians slated to attend include Dr. R. K. Christensen, Powell, Wyo.; Dr. Edward C. Horsley, Worland, Wyo.; Dr. Fred E. Marienau, Sandpoint, Idaho; Dr. Ronald K. Panke, Kellogg, Idaho.