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CORONARY CARE SYMPOSIUM
SET FOR SEPT. 15-18
AT ST. PATRICK AND UM

MISSOULA, Mont.--

Efforts to improve coronary care for hospital patients who have suffered heart attacks will continue here during the Intensive Coronary Care Symposium for physicians Sept. 15-18 at St. Patrick Hospital and the University of Montana.

Twenty-three doctors from Montana, Idaho and Wyoming will participate in next week's symposium, which is one in a series administered by the Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education (WICHE) under the Mountain States Regional Medical Program (MSRMP). The symposia deal with recent developments in the treatment of heart attack patients.

Coronary care training comprises one of four health programs, including heart disease, stroke, cancer and physical therapy, planned for bringing recent health care developments to people living beyond large medical centers.

Since 1968, doctors and nurses from Montana, Idaho, Wyoming and Nevada--the four states comprising the MSRMP--have been participating in special training courses in intensive coronary care here.

Medical educators from the University of Washington, Seattle, assist UM faculty and Missoula physicians in conducting medical symposia similar to the one planned for next week.

Dr. Harold A. Braun, a Missoula physician and director of the Coronary Care Training Program, said the main objective of the program is to get the latest medical knowledge to physicians in the field, so patients who have suffered heart attacks will get the best possible care immediately.

Several Missoula physicians will present medical aspects of the program at the University of Montana. They are Dr. Braun, Dr. Richard D. Weber, Dr. Gerald A. Diettert, Dr. James E. Gouaux, Dr. Bryce D. Breitenstein Jr. and Dr. Vasil P. Czorny. Visiting consultant will be Dr. John A. Murray of the Division of Cardiology, University of Washington School of Medicine.



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

During the symposium, physicians will spend two hours a day in laboratory and practice time at St. Patrick Hospital, receiving training in cardiopulmonary resuscitation and cardiac monitoring. Other sessions also are scheduled at the UM Health Sciences Building and at the University Center.

Registration for the symposium will be at 8 a.m. Monday at the University Center. Dr. Murray will discuss "Intensive Coronary Care" at the first session at 8:30 a.m.

Montana physicians slated to participate in the symposium include Dr. N.S. Green, Missoula; Dr. Robert A. Benke and Dr. James H. Armstrong, Kalispell; Dr. Thomas O'Halloran, Polson; Dr. Frank M. Campbell, Hot Springs; Dr. James D. Moore, Deer Lodge.

Also, Dr. Mabel E. Tuchscherer, Anaconda; Dr. Duane V. Mohr and Dr. David E. Siewert, Bozeman; Dr. F. John Allaire and Dr. Lloyd M. Taylor, Great Falls; Dr. Gene Wilkins, Ennis; Dr. Robert C. Nelson, Glasgow; Dr. Robert K. West, Cut Bank; Dr. Richard A. Whitney, Forsyth; Dr. D.T. Molloy, Malta; Dr. W.S. Hertwig, Fort Harrison; Dr. Edward L. King, Manhattan; Dr. Marcus A. Johnson, Choteau; Dr. Vernon L. Swenson, Townsend.

Prospective symposium participants from Idaho include Dr. J.B. Britzmann, Moscow, and Dr. Richard H. Eggleston, Hayden Lake. Wyoming's representative will be Dr. Robert A. Nelson, Cheyenne.

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