

**Pharmacy Grand Rounds** 

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# Un-CAP-ping the Power of Corticosteroids: Defining the Role of Corticosteroids in Severe Community-Acquired Pneumonia

Session Date: 07/30/2024 Session Time: 11:00 – 11:45 AM (CST)

## **Target Audience**

This continuing education (CE) session was planned to meet the needs of professional staff who deal with the selection and monitoring of medication(s) as part of their patient care duties, including pharmacists, RNs, APRNs, PAs, MDs.

## **Activity Overview**

Uncertainties cloud the use of corticosteroids in treating community-acquired pneumonia (CAP). While current guidelines offer conflicting recommendations, recent evidence suggests potential benefits for patients with severe CAP. However, defining "severe" and choosing the most appropriate steroid regimen remain significant challenges. This presentation will dive into the inconsistencies in defining severe CAP across studies, analyze the pharmacokinetic differences between various corticosteroids, and review new evidence supporting their use in specific populations to help determine the most suitable corticosteroid for patients that present with severe CAP.

# Learning Objectives

At the conclusion of this knowledge-based CE session, participants should be able to:

- 1. Describe the rationale for using glucocorticoids in respiratory illness.
- 2. Review the literature to elucidate the controversy of corticosteroid use in severe community-acquired pneumonia.
- 3. Define patient-specific considerations for corticosteroid use in pneumonia and remaining evidence gaps.

## **Faculty Information**

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Micaela received a Doctor of Pharmacy degree from the University of Minnesota College of Pharmacy and is a current PGY2 pharmacy resident at Mayo Clinic Hospital – Rochester. Her practice interests include critical care, cardiology, and education/leadership.



# **Approved Provider Statement**



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- 3. Complete the online evaluation for the respective session within 2 weeks of live presentation.

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