TOPICS COVERED

Fine-needle aspiration (FNA) with endoscopic-ultrasound (EUS) guidance is being increasingly employed to evaluate pancreas lesions. This case-based session will provide a practical, pattern-based approach to the cytologic evaluation of pancreatic aspirations and will focus on the cytologic criteria required for the diagnosis of several commonly encountered pancreatic neoplasms. The topics include:

1. Minimal criteria for well-differentiated ductal adenocarcinoma
2. Differential diagnosis of pancreatic cystic neoplasms
3. Cytomorphologic differences between neuroendocrine and exocrine pancreatic neoplasms

OBJECTIVES

Participants will:

1. Develop a pattern-based approach to the evaluation of pancreatic FNAs.
2. Review the cytomorphicologic criteria of common pancreatic neoplasms with histopathologic correlation
3. Identify and avoid diagnostic pitfalls in EUS-FNA of the pancreas

A separate fee of $75.00 (including lunch). Limited space