- (D) reconstruction of the ascending aorta
- (E) placement of a right iliac artery stent and femoro-femoral bypass Select the one lettered answer that is BEST for each item.

For the answers and a critique of items 29 and 30 see page 310.

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# Calendar Calendrier

#### "Clinical Updates 2002"

The Mayo Clinic Scottsdale is holding a course entitled "Clinical Updates 2002" from Sept 12 to 14, 2002, at the Aladdin Resort and Casino, Las Vegas, Nev. Credits: to be announced. The course will provide primary care, family practice physicians, specialists, surgeons and other allied health personnel with the latest information on diagnosis, therapy and selected topics in internal medicine and surgery. The course director is Dr. Russell I. Heigh. For further information contact Courtney J. Clement, Mayo School of CME, Mayo Clinic, 13400 East Shea Blvd., Scottsdale AZ 85259; tel 480 301-7552; fax 480 301-8323.

### 2002 Clinical Congress of the American College of Surgeons

The American College of Surgeons will present its 88th Clinical Congress, from Oct. 6 to 10, 2002, at the Moscone Convention Center in San Francisco. The Congress will feature 30 postgraduate courses and more than 150 hours of general and specialty sessions. For further information contact the ACS at 633 N. Saint Clair St., Chicago IL 60611-3211; tel 312 202-5000; fax 312 202-5001; email postmaster@facs .org; Web site www.facs.org

### **Quebec Scoliosis Society**

The Quebec Scoliosis Society, founded by members of the orthopedic division of Sainte-Justine Hospital in Montreal with the principal objective of sharing recent knowledge on a wide spectrum of spinal disorders, including scoliosis, low back pain, tumours and spinal imaging, will hold its 32nd annual meeting at the Manoire Rouville Campbell, Mont St-Hilaire, Que., on Oct. 25 and 26, 2002. Dr. Reinhard Zeller from the Hôpital St-Vincent-de-Paul in Paris will be the visiting professor. For further information contact Dr. Guy Grimard, Secretary, Quebec Scoliosis Society 2002, 3175 Côte Ste-Catherine, Rm. 7903, Montreal QC H3T 1C5; tel 514 3345-4876; fax 514 345-4755; Web site www.hsj .qc.ca/grdms/html/ssqenglish.htm

## Advanced laparoscopic and gynecologic surgery

The Mayo Clinic Scottsdale is sponsoring a course entitled "15th Annual Techniques in Advanced Laparoscopic & Gynecologic Surgery" to be held from Oct. 31 to Nov. 2, 2002, at the Fairmont Scottsdale Princess Resort, Scottsdale, Ariz. Credits: AMA Category 1 and ACOG (to be decided). The course will provide an in-depth review of laparoscopic techniques, complications and instrumentation

among other topics and procedures. Course highlights include interactive case presentations using an audience response system and a video festival, which will include a variety of laparoscopic procedures with an interactive discussion by each presenter. The course director is Dr. Javier F. Magrina. For further information contact Courtney J. Clement, Mayo School of CME, Mayo Clinic, 13400 East Shea Blvd., Scottsdale AZ 85259; tel 480 301-7552; fax 480 301-8323.

#### Upper extremity update

The 19th annual upper extremity update symposium will be held on Friday, Apr. 4, 2003, at Mount Sinai Hospital, 600 University Ave., Toronto, Ont. The symposium is directed to practising orthopedic surgeons, plastic surgeons, general surgeons, physical therapists, occupational therapists and nurses with an interest in musculoskeletal disorders and trainees in these fields. Credit: Maintenance of Certification Program, RCPSC, and Category 1, AMA Physician's Recognition Award. Contact: Continuing Education, Faculty of Medicine, University of Toronto, 500 University Ave., Ste. 650, Toronto ON M5G 1V7; tel. 416 978-2719/1 888 512-8173; fax 416 971-2200; email ce.med @utoronto.ca; Web site www.cme .utoronto.ca