

Cleveland Clinic and AUB Establish Historic Partnership – April 2010



The Cleveland Clinic and the American University of Beirut have signed an historic agreement to collaborate in the development of a large-scale continuing medical education initiative in Beirut.

The agreement enables the University to develop CME programs that will be accredited for *AMA PRA Category 1 Credit™*. Physicians practicing in Lebanon who also have licenses to practice medicine in the United States will find it easier to take the required courses to keep their licenses current.

The partnership is an extension of an already existing working relationship between the two organizations. The AUB and Cleveland Clinic have collaborated for more than a decade in providing CME accreditation for many portions of the Middle East Medical Assembly.

“Now, a much more ambitious collaboration is the establishment of a formal CME office with AUB that will develop many additional CME programs, and that will adhere to the highest standards set by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education” says William D. Carey, MD, Director of the Cleveland Clinic Center for Continuing Education.

The Cleveland Clinic Center for Continuing Education has emerged as one of world’s largest academic providers of continuing medical education. The Center grants nearly 120,000 CME certificates each year and conducts educational programs on five continents.

The American University of Beirut was founded in 1866 and its medical school a year later. Several Cleveland Clinic Staff physicians received their training through the AUB. Conversely, several AUB graduates received advanced training at the Cleveland Clinic before returning to Lebanon to practice medicine.