



## **ASH-DV HYPERTENSION SEMINAR in PHILADELPHIA**

The American Society of Hypertension – Delaware Valley Chapter sponsored its first Philadelphia area medical seminar devoted to “Hypertension in Minorities: An Urban Perspective” on Wednesday, May 3, 2006.

The featured speaker was Elijah Saunders, M.D., Professor of Medicine in Cardiology and Hypertension, Head – Section of Hypertension at The University of Maryland. The program was moderated by Allan B. Schwartz, M.D., Professor of Medicine at Drexel University College of Medicine and President of ASH-DV Chapter and co-moderated by Judy Draper, A.P.R.N., B.C., Assistant Professor of Nursing and Nurse Planner for CNE at Drexel University School of Nursing.

Dr. Elijah Saunders spoke on the topic “Hypertension in Minorities” attracting approximately 250 visiting physicians from the community, Drexel University College of Medicine faculty and trainees in addition to community nurses and physician assistants.

Libby Mills, M.S., R.D., L.D.N., life-style coach and nutrition instructor from LaSalle University in Philadelphia spoke on the topic “Customizing Diet to Philadelphia’s Urban Population”.

Ana Nunez, M.D., Associate Professor of Medicine at Drexel University College of Medicine spoke on the topic “Latino Population Hypertension”.

Vincent Zarro, M.D., Ph.D., Professor of Medicine at Drexel University College of Medicine, spoke on the topic “Asian Population Hypertension”.

Sadie Mitchell, R.N., M.S.N. at the University of Pennsylvania spoke on the topic “Homecare and Hypertension: A Nurse’s Perspective”.

It was estimated that 300 attended the morning seminar that was eligible for 4 hours of CME credit through the ACCME and AOA as well as the American Nurses Credentialing Center Committee on Accreditation.

A luncheon discussion was held for the seminar faculty members and a number of attendees. The program was funded through educational grants provided by: Bristol Myers Squibb, CV Therapeutics, and The Edna G. Kynett Memorial Foundation. Their support is gratefully acknowledged.