



### **State SLEEP Conference**

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# Upper Airway Resistance Syndrome (UARS)



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The Anlyan Center, TAC S-447

Moderator: Ian Weir, MD

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#### **TARGET AUDIENCE**

Attending physicians, house staff/fellows, medical students, nurses, physician assistants.

#### **NEEDS ASSESSMENT**

The term *upper airway resistance syndrome* (UARS) was coined to describe a group of patients who did not meet the criteria for diagnosis of obstructive apnea-hypopnea syndrome and thus were left untreated. After more than two decades, the diagnosis and pathophysiology of UARS have remained mainly debatable and most of the patients with UARS have remained undiagnosed and untreated. On one hand, UARS could carry a risk for cardiovascular diseases, and on the other hand, take a toll on affected individuals quality of life considering its correlation with excessive sleepiness, fatigue, insomnia, and depressive mood. In the light of its importance and general lack of awareness about UARS we deemed this talk informative and necessary.

**LEARNING OBJECTIVES** 

At the conclusion of this talk, individuals will learn to:

- 1. History of upper airway resistance syndrome
- 2. Definition, diagnosis, and pathophysiology of UARS
- 3. Treatment of UARS over time

#### **DESIGNATION STATEMENT**

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