

# Joseph Brewer, MD

## XMRV Infection and Chronic Illness

### **Disclosure Statement:**

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### **Lecture Overview**

This presentation will discuss new data with regard to the new human gamma retrovirus, XMRV. The presentation will cover the basic virology of the retrovirus, epidemiology, potential disease associations, laboratory testing and treatment considerations. The speaker will address the possible links between these gamma retroviruses and chronic illness, in particular chronic fatigue syndrome.

### **About Dr. Brewer**

Joseph Brewer, MD is an infectious disease specialist in Kansas City, Missouri. Dr. Brewer is in private practice (Plaza Infectious Disease) and is also a staff physician at St. Luke's Hospital of Kansas City, where he is director of hospital infection control and epidemiology. He has an academic appointment as an assistant clinical professor of medicine at the University of Missouri – Kansas City School of Medicine. Dr. Brewer has had a long-standing interest in HIV / AIDS, chronic fatigue syndrome and Lyme disease. He has extensive experience with the clinical aspects of these and other infectious diseases and has been involved with a number of clinical research projects.

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