Avoiding Legal Perils in Nursing Practice

Course Description
This course will expose the nurse to the importance of critical documentation in EHR to prevent and defend a medical malpractice lawsuit. The elements of a medical malpractice lawsuit will be discussed along with common myths that have been perpetual in the nursing world. The critical components of the nursing process and standard of care in documentation will be addressed. Lastly, the role of HIPAA in EHR and social media will be stressed.

Program Learning Outcomes
This program prepares the learner to:

- Identify the importance of nursing documentation to prevent and defend a medical malpractice lawsuit.
- Describe how the nursing process and standard of care are essential components of documentation in EHR.
- Identify the role of the nurse as it pertains to: the importance of privacy and HIPAA, EHR, social media and data breaches.

Agenda
Sign-in begins at 7:30 am. The day includes a one-hour lunch (on your own), as well as a morning and afternoon break of 15 minutes each. The order of lectures presented and break times may vary according to speaker preference.

8:00 am to 4:00 pm

0800  Anatomy of a Lawsuit
      Negligence | Why do Patients Sue? | The Lawsuit

1000  Break

1015  The M&M Saga
      Myths about Medical Malpractice Lawsuits

1200  Lunch

1300  Essential Defense of the Medical Malpractice Lawsuit
      Standards of Care and EHR

1430  Break

1445  Importance of HIPAA
      Definition | Audit Preparation | Awareness Training | Hazards of Social Media

1545  Discussion

1600  Adjourn
Accreditation

RN/LPN/LVN/Other: 6.5 Contact Hours

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