Course Description
This one-day course is designed to introduce the nurse to a rapid method of evaluating the patient presenting with complaints of chest pain and/or heart failure. The nurse is often the first member of the healthcare team to be present when a patient presents with symptoms suggesting a cardiac event. Cardio Blitz is a broad overview of essential cardiac information for the nurse at the bedside in the CCU, ICU, PCU or ED, including clinical educators and Clinical Nurse Specialists.

Program Learning Outcomes
This program prepares the learner to:
- Describe significance of understanding lead concepts.
- List the determinants of cardiac output.
- Describe the critical points when assessing a patient with chest pain.
- Discuss diagnostic tests and serum markers for the patient with chest pain.
- Describe different patterns and treatments for angina and coronary syndromes.
- Describe the pathophysiology and management strategies for heart failure.

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 4:30 pm

0800  Important Statistics of Heart Disease, Lead Placement and Cardiac Output
      Physician Practice Patterns and Patient Awareness | Data from the Women’s Veteran Cohort

0915  Break

0930  Patient Assessment
      Limb, Precordial and R Wave Progression | Role of Natriuretic Peptides | The Renin-Angiotensin-Aldosterone System | PQRST in Chest Pain | TIMI Flow, Red Flags in Chest Pain | Differentials

1045  Coronary Syndromes
      Coronary Anatomy of Importance | STEMI and NSTEMI | ECG Practice | Angina Patterns | Wellen’s Syndrome | Broken Heart Syndrome

1200  Lunch

1300  Understanding the Types of Heart Failure
      Definition of HF Causes of HF | Systolic, Diastolic, Hypertrophic Classification System | EECP | Biventricular Pacing | IABP | VADS

1415  Break

1430  Pharmacological Management
      Beta Blockers | ACEI | ARBs | Aldosterone Inhibitors | IV Agents

1545  Alternative Treatment in Coronary Disease and Heart Failure
      TMR | Surgical Interventions

1630  Adjourn
Accreditation

RN/LPN: 7 Contact Hours
CRNA: 7 CE Credits
RT: 7 Category 1 CRCE Hours

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