Dementia Across the Spectrum

Course Description
This course is designed to update healthcare practitioners who care for patients with cognitive impairments. Areas that will be covered include pathophysiology, pharmacologic strategies, behavior and cognitive therapies and end-of-life care.

Program Learning Outcomes
This program prepares the learner to:
- Recognize individuals with different types of cognitive impairments.
- Identify pharmacologic interventions, including benefits and risks, of common medications used in the cognitively impaired individual.
- Formulate a behavior management plan for a cognitively impaired person.
- Identify the common pathways to death and management strategies for cognitively impaired individuals with advanced disease.

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  Introduction
0815  Overview of Dementia
   Types | Pathophysiology | Treatment Strategies
1000  Break
1015  Pharmacologic Approach to Dementia
   Geriatric Pharmacology Principles | Interactions and Side Effects
1115  Family Dynamics
   Communication Strategies | Caregiver Stress
1200  Lunch
1300  Behavioral Approach to Dementia
   Disturbing Behaviors vs. Disturbed Behaviors | Staging Recommendations
1400  Break
1415  Dying with Dementia
   Common Causes | Terminal Anorexia and Dehydration | Comfort Measures
1600  Adjourn
Accreditation

RN/LPN/LVN/Other: 6.5 Contact Hours

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