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Emergency Triage: Assess & Intervene

Course Description

This intense one-day review will cover one of the most critical assignments for the ED nurse: triage. This program will review gathering a patient's history, assessment skills and critical thinking. This course is designed to provide participants with a review of systems and discuss common emergencies for each system. Interactive triage case studies will challenge even the most seasoned nurses.

Key Learning Outcome

• After completing the program, 80% of participants will report an increase in knowledge that will positively impact their practice.

Program Objectives

This program prepares the learner to:

- Describe the benefits of a 5-level triage system.
- Assign the appropriate triage category to common ED presentations.
- Describe resources needed for a variety of patient complaints.
- Describe age-appropriate differences when triaging pediatric and geriatric populations.

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 5:00 pm

Welcome and Introductions

Goals and Guidelines for Triage

History of Triage | Regulatory Considerations | Medical Screening | Types of Triage

5-Level Triage

ESI | CTC-Canada | Manchester-United Kingdom | Australasian Triage Scale (ATS)

The Triage Process

Components | Quick Look Assessment | Patient History | Focused Physical Assessment | Red Flags | Interventions | Resource Utilization

Triaging Respiratory Complaints

Respiratory Assessment | Respiratory History | Difficulty Breathing

Triaging Cardiac Complaints

Cardiac Assessment | Cardiac History | Chest Pain | ECG Changes | Differential Diagnosis of Chest Pain

Triaging Abdominal Complaints

Complaints by Quadrants | Separating the B's From the C's

Triaging Neurological Complaints

Stroke | Seizures | Head Trauma | LOC | Headaches

Triaging EENT Complaints

Ocular | Nasal | Dental | Facial | Throat/Neck Complaints

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Triaging Ortho/Integumentary Complaints

Wounds | Ortho Injuries | Non-Traumatic Extremity Pain | Bites/Stings | Back Pain

Triaging Psychiatric Complaints

Alcohol and Drug Use | Altered Mental Status | Confusion | Depression | Suicidal Behavior/Ideation

Specific Patient Populations

Pediatric | Geriatric | Obstetric | Domestic Violence | Non-Accidental Trauma

ESI Triage Process

You Make the Call | Triage Case Studies

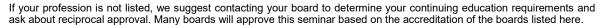
Questions | Wrap-Up and Evaluation

Accreditation

RN/LPN/LVN/Other: 7.5 Contact Hours

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