

### Course Description

This course provides healthcare professionals with a foundation of correlative neuro anatomy and physiology as it pertains to the neurological patient and his or her assessment. We will provide an overview of the pathophysiological processes and complications encountered in the neurologic patient. Clinical assessment findings will be discussed, as well as various etiologies that contribute to these conditions. An in-depth review of traumatic brain injuries, strokes and brain tumors will be provided, as well as the treatment modalities for each. The focus is on current management according to evidence-based guidelines.

### 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:*

- Correlate the neurologic patient assessment to anatomy and physiology.
- List the evidence-based management strategies for the discussed neurological injuries and diseases.

### Agenda

*Sign-in begins at 7:30 am.* Each 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.

#### Day 1, 8:00 am to 4:30 pm

##### **Anatomy and Physiology**

Meninges | CSF Productions and Circulation | Cortical Lobes and Subcortical Areas of the Brain | Brain Stem

##### **Neurological Assessment**

Level of Consciousness | Motor Responses | Pupillary Assessment | Cranial Nerve Assessment | Brain-Stem Reflexes | Comatose Patient

##### **Brain Tumors**

Classification | Prognosis of Common Tumors | Presentation of Supra- and Infratentorial Tumors | Intraoperative Management with Debulking, Radiation Beads and Chemotherapy Wafers

##### **Traumatic Brain Injury**

TBI Mechanism of Injury | Skull Fractures | Epidural and Subdural | Primary and Secondary Injury | Anoxic Brain Injury | Management of Elevated Intracranial Pressure

##### **Spinal Cord Mechanism of Injury**

Incomplete Cord Injuries | Clearing C-spines | Emergency Management | Spinal Shock, Neurogenic Shock and Autonomic Dysreflexia

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## Day 2, 8:00 am to 4:00 pm

### Stroke Management

Risk Factors | Stroke Physiology and Symptoms | Primary and Secondary Stroke | Fibrinolytic Therapy and Management Issues

### Cerebral Aneurysms

Cerebral Aneurysms, Symptoms, Risk Factors, Complications and Management | Classification of Severity of SAH | Management of Aneurysm, Complications and Vasospasm Management Issues

### Infectious Disease in the Neurological Patient

Bacterial Meningitis | Viral Meningitis | Neurocysterceriosis Abscess | Encephalitis

### Seizures

Seizure Classification | Risk Factors | Pharmacologic Management | Assessment | Treatment of Status Epilepticus

### Common Fluid and Electrolyte Disorders

Diabetes Insipidus | SIADH | Cerebral Salt Wasting

## Accreditation

### RN/LPN/LVN/Other: 13.5 Contact Hours

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