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Wound Care: Challenges and Solutions

Course Description

Patients with multiple comorbidities often present with chronic, painful, non-healing wounds that require a comprehensive approach to care. This seminar will provide the clinician with tools for assessment, factors that impede healing, identification of different types of wounds, wound dressing choices/categories, skin care strategies for prevention of wounds and actual patient case studies. There will also be a portion for hands-on dressing samples and discussion for usage.

Program Learning Outcomes

This program prepares the learner to:

- Discuss and develop skills to provide a comprehensive assessment of wounds.
- Discuss strategies for effective documentation of wounds.
- Identify different types of wounds: characteristics of pressure, arterial and venous ulcers, neuropathic wound and discuss how to treat them.
- Recognize factors that promote and impede wound healing.
- Select treatment options and wound dressings based on wound assessment, etiology and goal of wound care.
- Identify strategies for prevention of wounds and effective skin care.

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	Welcome and Introduction
0815	Skin, Physiology and Phases of Wound Healing Anatomy and Physiology of Skin Skin Integrity and Aging Skin Factors that Complicate Wound Healing
0900	Comprehensive Wound Assessment Phases of Wound Healing Moist Wound Healing vs. Scabbing
0945	Break
1000	Principles of Wound Bed Preparation Identification of Granulation, Slough and Necrotic Tissue Types of Debridement How to Identify Wound Infection
1030	Wound Types and Etiologies Pressure, Arterial and Neuropathic Wounds Deep Tissue Injury Incontinence Associated Dermatitis Surgical/Acute Wounds Fistulas Fungating/Cancer Lesions
1200	Lunch
1300	Dress for Success: The Many Wound Dressing Options Dressing Categories Selecting Dressings for Formulary Dressing Samples
1400	Wound Prevention Strategies Alternative Therapies Offloading Devices Skin Care
1415	Break

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1430 **Documentation Tips**

Tools Used for Wound Documentation and Healing | Charting Prevention Measures and Patient Declines | The Unavoidable Wound

1445 Understanding Wound Pain and Treatment Options

Palliative vs. Curative Approach to Wound Care | Holistic Care | Education of Caregivers | Preserving Dignity and Comfort

1545 Actual Patient Case Studies | Q & A Session

1600 Adjourn

Accreditation

RN/LPN/LVN/Other: 6.5 Contact Hours

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