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Am I Required to Take the Mandatory Reporter Training?

Required Course for Mandatory Reporters of Child and Adult Abuse

Many inquiries are received from nurse licensees about requirements for taking the mandatory reporter abuse course training. The information in this article provides guidance to licensees about their training requirements.

Since passage of a law in 2001, licensing boards require a person who regularly examines, attends, counsels, or treats dependent adults or children in lowa to accurately document compliance with training requirements on abuse education and/or dependent adult abuse, upon renewal of licensure.

The Iowa Code, Chapter 93, designates the Iowa Department of Public Health (IDPH) to "review and approve mandatory reporter training curricula for those persons who work in a position classification that under law makes the persons mandatory reporters of child or dependent adult abuse and the position classification does not have a mandatory reporter training curriculum approved by a licensing or examining board." (The 2001 code language mandating an abuse education review panel was revised effective 2014). (IDPH, 2014).

The Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN), Registered Nurse (RN) and Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioner (ARNP) are persons who work in position classifications under the law making them mandatory reporters. The Mandatory Abuse Course taken to meet this requirement MUST be a course that has been approved by the IDPH.

Any LPN, RN or ARNP who has frequent contact with children and/or dependent adults in the course of their work are considered to be mandatory reporters: In other words, nurse licensees who regularly examine, attend, counsel or treat dependent adults or children in lowa.

It is important to note that frequent contact does not necessarily mean "hands on nursing care," but may simply mean observation of a child or dependent adult.

At the time of license renewal, the lowa Board of Nursing requires that licensees have completed the abuse training. The abuse training must be completed every five (5) years.

Licensees selected for an audit of their continuing education must submit the course completion certificate or provide written documentation from their employer or supervisor attesting to the fact that the licensee does not regularly examine, attend, counsel or treat children or dependent adults in lowa.

A list of approved courses is available at the IDPH website: www.idph.state.ia.us/bh/abuse_ed_review.asp
The following questions and answers are concern-

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Executive Director's Report

by Kathy Weinberg, MSN, RN

Hello everyone! On August 27, 2014, the lowa Board of Nursing's revised mission statement became effective. The mission statement is as follows: The mission of the board is to protect the public health, safety and welfare by regulating the licensure of nurses, the practice of nurses, nursing education and continuing education.

As I wrote in the last edition of the *Nursing Newsletter*, I thought it would be interesting to take a historic look at nursing regulation in lowa and how regulation looks today, as it relates to the four areas highlighted in the mission statement. This article is part two, as you remember part one examined the licensure of nurses and the practice of nurses. Part two will address nursing education and

continuing education.

The text in italics is taken from historical documents stored in the board office, there is no specific author cited.

Nursing Education. In 1908, applicants were required to be graduates of training schools which were in good standing with the Board of Health and included two years of instruction in general hospital practice. After July 1, 1910 no training school could be approved unless it was attached to a general hospital and had at least a three year course of study. In 1915, a requirement for one year of high school was instituted. This was increased to a two-year requirement in 1926 and to a four-year requirement in 1930.

In 1915, there were only 10 schools in the United States that reported full-time paid instructors. Curricula were designed by each Director of Nursing, with physicians often teaching anatomy and physiology. Two years later, and 10 years after mandatory licensure in Iowa, a standard curriculum was developed by the National League of Nursing Education. Adherence to that curriculum was voluntary until 1939. In 1927, a Division of Nursing Education was set up in the Iowa Department of Health to review records of applicants and inspect training schools. This Division was separate from the Board of Nurse Examiners. The two were united with the creation of the Board of Nursing in 1935. The Iowa Board of Nursing retained authority for approval of all formal nursing education programs.

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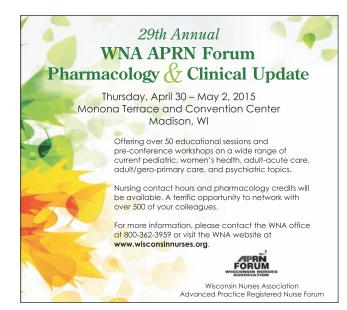
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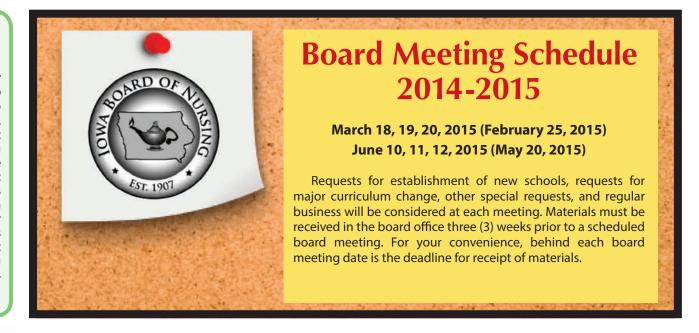
Ebola Status Updates

The Iowa Department of Public Health (IDPH) is the state agency responsible for promoting and protecting the health of Iowans. Since the first Ebola death in the United States in late October 2014, the IDPH has been holding public briefings on the matter, and publishing periodic updates about the issue. Status update, health information for the public, medical providers, business and education, are all available on the IDPH website at www.idph.state.ia.us/EHI.

For further information and facts regarding Ebola, go directly to the Centers for Disease Control at www.cdc.gov.







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Fluoroscopy Audit Process for Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioners to Start January 12, 2015

The administrative rules governing nursing in lowa require ARNPs who supervise the use of fluoroscopic x-ray equipment to have the appropriate education and continued annual radiological safety updates. Please see the following administrative rule excerpt to review your requirements, and the audit process that will be initiated by the Board of Nursing.

7.2(2) Supervision of fluoroscopy. An advanced registered nurse practitioner (ARNP) shall be permitted to provide direct supervision in the use of fluoroscopic X-ray equipment, pursuant to 641 – subrule 42.1(2), definition of "supervision."

a. The ARNP shall provide direct supervision of fluor-oscopy pursuant to the following provisions:

(1) Completion of an educational course including content in radiation physics, radiobiology, radiological safety and radiation management applicable to the use of fluoroscopy, and maintenance of documentation verifying successful completion.

(2) Collaboration, as needed, as defined in rule 655 – 7.1(152).

(3) Compliance with facility policies and procedures.

b. The ARNP shall complete an annual radiological safety course whose content includes, but is not limited to, time, dose, distance, shielding and the effects of radiation.

c. The ARNP shall maintain documentation of the initial educational course and all annual radiological safety updates.

d. The initial and annual education requirements are subject to audit by the board pursuant to 655 – subrule 5.2(5).

Pursuant to 7.2(d), the initial and annual education requirements are subject to audit by the Board. Therefore, the Board of Nursing will be auditing ARNPs who supervise fluoroscopy.

The initiation of the audit process will begin January 12, 2015. The process is as follows:

- On the ARNP online and paper renewal application a question will be asked if the practitioner provides direct supervision in the use of fluoroscopy. The renewal process is every three years,
- If the practitioner answers yes, they will be required to provide verification of completion of the initial course and yearly safety courses, along with a copy of course objectives and outcomes,
- Board staff will contact the practitioner if there are any questions about the submitted course work or if the practitioner has not completed their required education,
- At any point in time that board staff identifies the ARNP is not complying with the course requirements and the audit process the information will be submitted to the Enforcement Unit.

The lowa Board of Nursing recognizes this is a new process for all ARNPs supervising the use of fluoroscopic x-ray equipment. Board staff is committed to assist practitioners in the audit process.

Please contact Jimmy Reyes, Associate Director of Practice/Education for questions and concerns, <u>Jimmy.Reyes@iowa.gov</u>.



Communicating With The Iowa Board Of Nursing

The lowa Board of Nursing requests that licensees and the public use the board web site <u>nursing.iowa.gov</u> for 24-hour access to online license renewal and verification, address changes and general information.

Use the following contacts for specific questions. If you inquire about your licensure status or request written materials, provide the following information at the beginning of the call/message: lowa license number, full name, mailing address, and phone number including area code.

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 Your license by examination in process Initial ARNP application Your ARNP application in process 	Phone 515-281-6488 newnurs@iowa.gov
 Your license by endorsement in process Your ARNP renewal in process 	Phone 515-281-4827 <u>endorse@iowa.gov</u> Phone 515-281-4827 <u>arnpren@iowa.gov</u>
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Disciplinary issuesSanctioned cases	Phone 515-281-6472 enforce@iowa.gov
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Scope of nursing practice in lowa	Phone 515-281-4828 nursingpractice@iowa.gov
Formal nursing education in lowa	Phone 515-281-4828 nursingeducation@iowa.gov
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Electronic submissions (cover letter application, current curriculum vitae, unofficial transcripts, and contact information for three references) are preferred: richard.mccallum@iwc.edu. Applications may also be mailed to Dr. Richard McCallum, Vice President for Academic Affairs, Iowa Wesleyan College, 601 N. Main Street, Mt. Pleasant, Iowa 52641. Applications received by March 15, 2015 will receive full consideration; application review will continue until the position is filled.



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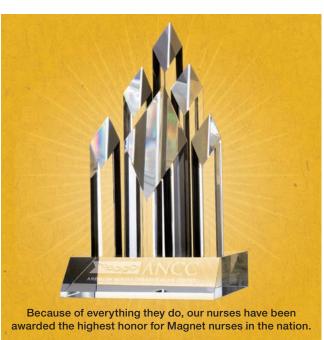
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RN – SCU/ED – 60 hrs/pay period, 7a-7:30p and 11a-11:30p, with every 3rd weekend. Current IA RN license, with previous ED experience preferred. BLS, ACLS, TNCC, and PALS required within 1 year of hire. Basic arrhythmia class required. 2 shifts/week in SCU, 1 shift in FD.

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Also, if your last renewal was prior to November 19, 2012, you will need to begin any online process by registering as a new user. Any IDs issued prior to that date will not work in the new online services center.

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CREATING AN ONLINE USER ACCOUNT

All licensing processes begin with user registration, including logging in to update contact, employment or educational information. Secured Access and ordering a roster also require the visitor to register.

The main menu displays the following option:



If you click on "Create a New Account," you will be taken directly to the registration page **and tab** that you need in order to register.

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The registration site is maintained by the state's technology division (ITE) as a global login for the entire state enterprise. Once you create an account, you can use the i.d. to do other state business.

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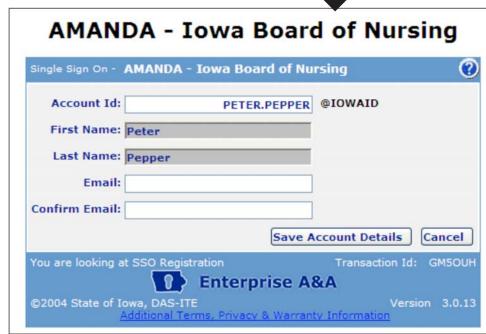
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After successfully selecting an i.d., entering the email address twice and clicking "continue," you will see the following screen advising you that an email has been sent with information to complete the registration. Note that there is a time limit of 48 hours to complete the registration.

Change of Address/Name

State law requires you to keep the Board of Nursing apprised at all times of your current mailing address. Notification of NAME changes must be made in writing. For your convenience, you may utilize the following form to submit your address/name change.

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- Check here if you are an LPN currently in the process of obtaining an RN license.
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Licenses that expire March 15, 2015, are due by February 15, 2015, and can be renewed any time after January 15, 2015.

Licenses that expire April 15, 2015, are due by March 15, 2015, and can be renewed any time after February 15, 2015.

Licenses that expire May 15, 2015, are due by April 15, 2015, and can be renewed any time after March 15, 2015.

A \$50 late fee is required for licensees who renew within the 30 days after the license lapses. Licenses that are not renewed will automatically be placed on inactive status on the 16th of the month following the expiration of the license.

The continuing education requirement for license renewal is 36 contact hours (3.6 CEUs) for renewal of a full three year license. Licensees renewing for the first time after the license was originally issued, or for the first time after a reactivation, will need 24 contact hours (2.4 CEUs) completed after the effective date printed on the wallet card.

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Attention: Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioners

Safety Study Results Announced by the National Transportation Safety Board Washington, D.C.

SEPTEMBER 23, 2014 – WASHINGTON, D.C. – A safety announcement issued by the National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) encourages all health care providers "who prescribe controlled substances for pain discuss with patients the effect their medical condition and medication use may have on their ability to safely operate a vehicle in any mode of transportation" (NTSB, September 23, 2014).

Nurse practitioners should make it a practice to discuss these safety issues with their patients.

Evidence That Pilots Are Increasingly Using Over-the-Counter, Prescription, and Illicit Drugs

The National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) recently analyzed toxicology tests from 6,677 pilots who died in a total of 6,597 aviation accidents between 1990 and 2012. The results demonstrate a significant increase in the use of a variety of potentially impairing drugs.

The study found significantly increasing trends in pilots' use of all drugs, potentially impairing drugs (those with a US Food and Drug Administration warning about sedation or behavior changes in routine use), controlled substances, and illicit drugs (those defined as Schedule I by the US Drug Enforcement Ad-

ministration). The final report, *Drug Use Trends in Aviation: Assessing the Risk of Pilot Impairment*, is available on the NTSB's Safety Studies web page under report number SS-14/01.

In this study, the pilot was considered to be positive for a drug if it could be qualitatively or quantitatively identified in blood or tissue; drugs identified only in urine or used as part of resuscitative efforts were ex-

Overall, 98% of the study pilots were male and 96% were flying privately rather than for commercial purposes. The average age of study pilots increased from 46 to 57 years over the study period.

Over the course of the study, for fatally injured pilots, the following was found:

The proportion of pilots testing positive for at least one drug increased from 10% to 40%.

More than 20% of all pilots from 2008-2012 were positive for a potentially impairing drug, and 6% of all pilots were positive for more than one potentially impairing drug.

Overall, the most common potentially impairing drug pilots had used was diphenhydramine, a sedating antihistamine (the active ingredient in many Benadryl and Unisom products).

During the most recent 5 years studied, 8% of all pilots tested positive for controlled substances; hydrocodone and diazepam each accounted for 20% of the positive findings.

The percentage of pilots testing positive for marijuana use increased to about 3% during the study period, mostly in the last 10 years.

The large increase in the proportion of fatally injured pilots with evidence of potentially impairing drugs suggests an increasing risk of impairment in general aviation. Aviation is the only transportation mode in which a fatally injured operator (pilot) routinely undergoes extensive toxicology testing; no similar testing is routinely performed for fatally injured operators of boats, trains, trucks, or cars. Given the general increase in drug use in the population, it is likely that there has been a similar trend in drug use among operators across all modes of transportation.

These results highlight the importance of routine discussions between health care providers and pharmacists and their patients about the potential risks that drugs and medical conditions can create when patients are operating a vehicle in any mode of transportation.



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Iowa Center for Nursing Workforce

Goals for the lowa Center for Nursing Workforce include providing statistical data to inform employers and the public about supply data regarding lowa's licensed nurses. The following information, taken from the lowa Board of Nursing's 2014 Annual Report, provides a snapshot about the active nursing workforce demographics in lowa. Minimum data set information (employment setting and education levels) are gathered through the licensure process. As of December 2014, *updated* workforce information has been gathered from 25 months' worth of licensure renewals, or roughly two-thirds of all of the lowa nurse licensees.

Section 7--Licensed RN Employment Statistics

Table XII

	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2014
	F1 2010	F1 2011	F1 2012	F1 2013	F1 2014
Located In State	41,138	42,138	42,916	43,478	44,228
Located Out of State	4,271	4,145	4,335	3,946	2,348
Employed In Nursing	36,554	36,880	37,719	38,119	42,557
Full-time	27,123	27,432	28,210	28,210	32,759
Part-time	9,431	9,448	9,509	9,432	9,798
Employed Outside Nursing	2,314	2,321	2,336	3,286	2,093
Unemployed	5,527	5,901	6,092	5,359	4,421
Student	82	105	119	*UNK	*UNK
Retired	966	1,037	1,112	1,272	1,443
Volunteer	NA	NA	NA	NA	159

Section 8--Licensed LPN Employment Statistics

Table XIII

Licensed Practical Nurses Licensed in Iowa/Employment Statistics					
	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2014
Located In State	11,414	11,560	11,529	11,086	10,865
Located Out of State	589	528	525	444	227
Employed In Nursing	7,800	7,812	7,781	7,606	8,710
Full-time	5,818	5,793	5,779	5,701	6,665
Part-time	1,982	2,019	2,002	1,905	2,045
Employed Outside Nursing	711	733	764	1,175	1,020
Unemployed	3,339	3,345	3,326	2,402	1,900
Student	38	47	60	*UNK	*UNK
Retired	103	117	127	157	175
Volunteer	NA	NA	NA	NA	25

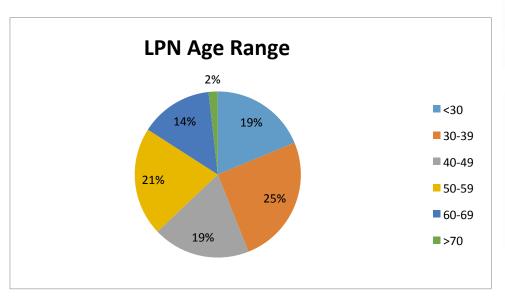
^{*}Students are calculated as Unemployed.

Section 9--LPN/RN Profile by Age

Table XIV

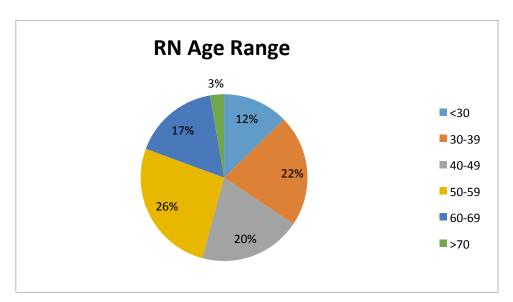
Active Licensed Practical Nurses LPN-Total =10,865

Age Range	<30	30-39	40-49	50-59	60-69	>70
Number	2,036	2,743	2,059	2,298	1,535	194
Percent	19%	25%	19%	21%	14%	2%



Active Registered Nurses RN-Total=44,228

Age Range	<30	30-39	40-49	50-59	60-69	>70	
Number	5,631	9,574	8,769	11,685	7,377	1,192	-
Percent	12%	22%	20%	26%	17%	3%	



46% of active Registered Nurses are 50 years of age or older.

Table XVI

Active Nurses	Iowa Residence	Out-of-State Residence	Total	% of Total
RNs	44,228	2,348	46,576	81%
LPNs	10,865	227	11,092	19%
Total	55,093	2,575	57,668	

		Out-of-State		
Basic RN Education	Iowa Residence	Residence	Total	% By Program
Diploma	7,354	392	7,746	16%
A.D.N.	25,309	1,230	26,539	55%
B.S.N.	13,460	687	14,147	29%
Other	156	6	162	0%
Total	46,279	2,315	48,594	

Highest Degree Held by RNs	Iowa Residence	Out-of-State Residence	Total	% By Program
Diploma	4,921	249	5,170	12%
A.D.N.	20,872	941	21,813	50%
B.S.N.	13,398	667	14,065	32%
Other Baccalaureate	2,663	153	2,816	6%
Total	41,854	2,010	43,864	

Highest Degree Held by RNs	Iowa Residence	Out-of-State Residence	Total	% By Program
Master's in Nursing	3,345	191	3,536	67%
Other Master's	1,192	95	1,287	24%
Doctorate in Nursing	231	23	254	5%
Other Doctorate	204	25	229	4%
Total	4,972	334	5,306	

lowa's active nursing workforce is 95% female and 5% male.

Board Orders Previously Named Sanctioned Cases

Sanctioned licenses should be verified through our website to determine current status

* By Licensee RN number indicates Licensee is registered as an ARNP ** In the RN column indicates the Licensee does not have an Iowa license

NOVEMBER 2014							
Last Name							
Adams	Jennifer	110079	P42880	Indefinitely Suspended			
Bass	Heather		P45373	Fine	\$200		
Bemiss	Lavonne		P08278	Citation & Warning			
Ellison	Angela	109570	P31794	Voluntary Surrender			
Gernetzke	Maren		P45275	Probation	12 months		
Kline	Jared	115332		Voluntary Surrender			
Lewis	Stephanie	128455		Probation	12 months		
Loden	Alexandra	137502	P57870	Voluntary Surrender			
Mendel	Carrie	118065		Probation	12 months		
Munford	Meghan	124093	P51859	Indefinitely Suspended			
Murphy	Brian	104668*	P39436	Fine	\$900		
Nepple	Shawna	113457	P43029	Probation	6 months		
Smith	Courtney	122061	P48388	Continuing Education	30 contact hrs.		
Stagg	Danielle	104312	P40520	Indefinitely Suspended			
Tage	Keith	117891		Probation	6 months		
Winkowitsch	Kara	089266		Citation & Warning			

OCTOBER 2014					
Last Name	First Name	RN	LPN	Sanction	
Bauer	Krystal	089513	P33809	Conditional Reinstatement	
Brown	Lou	086996		License Revoked	
Camelo	Pamela		P53445	License Revoked	
Clark	Alischa	116421		Indefinitely Suspended	
Collins	Lori		P48906	Voluntary Surrender	
Darrow	Lynnette	045951		Voluntary Surrender	
Debrower	Jessica	117740	P47812	Probation	12 months
Diehl	Joleen	applicant		Probation	Concurrent with Illinois
Druecker	Jodi		P54520	Indefinitely Suspended	
Ford	Elizabeth	088704		Citation & Warning	



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Last Name	First Name	RN	LPN	Sanc	tion
Freese	Holly		P49644	Voluntary Surrender	
Harris	Sue	089331		Voluntary Surrender	
Ingram	Jordan		P43319	Probation	12 months
Lee	Marsha		P26866	Voluntary Surrender	
Mack	Stephen		P55745	License Revoked	
Nesbit	Bernard	081690	P28348	Voluntary Surrender	
Nordin	Stacie	096357	P36786	Probation	12 months
Pfeiferling	Leigh	116170	P46814	Indefinitely Suspended	

SEPTEMBER 2014

Last Name	First Name	RN	LPN	Sanction	
Anfinson	Jeff	000300		Voluntary Surrender	
Benjamin	Terae	090388 106304		Probation	6 months
Brockhaus	Thomas	109914*		Probation	12 months
				Continuing	15.6
Clay	Nicole	125966	P52556	Education	contact hrs.
Clay	Nicole	125966	P52556	Fine	\$800
Conrad	Jodena	104036	P22434	Continuing Education	15 contact hrs.
Coppess	Tracie	109566		Probation	12 months
Cribbs	Melanie	125551	P52179	Indefinitely Suspended	
Dooley	Pamela	111526		Voluntary Surrender	
Doty	Kathrin	118829	P50099	Citation & Warning	
Gillespie	Jason	126699*	1 30099	Continuing Education	60 contact hrs.
	3000	1.20077		Citation &	
Green	Sandra		P40691	Warning	
Gugger	Michelle	-	P56850	Probation	24 months
Hicklin	Kacey	104355	P40585	Indefinitely Suspended	
Kappel (Rodriguez)	Tammy	104137	P32957	Indefinitely Suspended	
Ladd	Carrie		P53770	Fine	\$200
Lafoy	Brandon	123086	P49231	Probation	18 months
		NE		Relinquish Multi-state privilege to	
McNeal	Baxter	65184		practice in Iowa	
Minium	Dana		P31283	Continuing Education	20 contact hrs.
Minium	Dana		P31283	Fine	\$1,000
Mitchell	Kathleen	093465		Citation & Warning	
				Indefinitely	
Morley	Mary	072447*		Suspended	
Pry	Linda Marie	102743	P38867	Continuing Education	30 contact hrs.
Rice	Karrie	126097	P47228	Continuing Education	30 contact hrs.
Rink	Robin	120876	P48222	Indefinitely Suspended	
Roche	Tammy		P39786	Voluntary Surrender	
Sarchet	Allysa	127357		Probation	18 months
Stukenholtz	Phillip	101248	P33368	Voluntary Surrender	
Tegeler	Kelsey		P50333	Indefinitely Suspended	
Tonelli	Dorinda		P48341	Citation & Warning	
Townsend- Elder	Laura	089902	P33399	Probation	6 months
Underhill	Kerri	007702	P41558	Indefinitely Suspended	o months
Walders-				Voluntary	
Bensley	Lori	083970	P29523	Surrender	22.6
Watson	Nicole		P45886	Continuing Education	33.6 contact hrs.
Watson	Nicole		P45886	Fine	\$1,000
Weilbrenner	Christine	125760	P52087	Indefinitely Suspended	

How Are Continuing Education Units Figured?

Do I Have Enough Continuing Education (CE) Credits To Meet My Renewal Requirements?

Registered Nurse (RN) and Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) Licensees may see certificates of completion from approved CE providers with contact hours or continuing education units (CEUs) listed. According to Iowa's administrative rules, either one is correct. But, this is one area where a licensee may make an error in conversion and believe he/she has enough CE credits to renew – when in fact one is short of the CE requirements for licensure.

Continuing education is mandated by lowa law as a prerequisite to renewal of an lowa nursing license. The requirement is as follows:

- · For renewal of a three year license, the requirement is 36 contact hours or 3.6 CEUs.
- For renewal of a license that has been issued for less than three years, the requirement is 24 contact hours or 2.4 CEUs. This applies to the first renewal after any one of the following:
 - Initial lowa licensure by examination
 - Initial lowa licensure by endorsement from another state
 - Reactivation from an inactive status

A license issued for less than three years is granted for two years, plus the number of months to the birth month. Thereafter, the license must be renewed every three years.

· For reactivation from an inactive status, the requirement is 12 contact hours that are not more than 12 months old at the time the credit is submitted for re-

The following grid is designed to assist CE providers and licensees with information about the CE conversion formula used by Iowa approved providers.

Please contact Laura Hudson, Associate Director - CE/ Workforce if you have questions about CE Units of Measurement. E-mail laura.hudson@iowa.gov or call 515-281-8808.

IOWA BOARD OF NURSING Continuing Education – Units of Measurement

HOURS	MINUTES	CONTACT HOURS	CEU EQUIVALENT
	50	1.0	.10
1.0	60	1.2	.12
1.5	90	1.8	.18
2.0	120	2.4	.24
2.5	150	3.0	.30
3.0	180	3.6	.36
3.5	210	4.2	.42
4.0	240	4.8	.48
4.5	270	5.4	.54
5.0	300	6.0	.60
5.5	330	6.6	.66
6.0	360	7.2	.72
6.5	390	7.8	.78
7.0	420	8.4	.84
7.5	450	9.0	.90
8.0	480	9.6	.96
8.5	510	10.2	1.02
9.0	540	10.8	1.08

Have You Completed Your CE Requirements?

by Laura Hudson, MSN, RN Associate Director – CE/Workforce

Every year, board disciplinary actions include lists of nurses who are sanctioned for failing to complete continuing education (CE) requirements for license renewal. Every day, board staff processes CE audits indicating not all lowa nurses are following the 655 Iowa Administrative Code (IAC), chapter 5 rules. The maximum fines for failing CE audits is \$1,000 and the matter becomes a permanent public disciplinary record for the licensee. This article is intended to provide licensees with information about the CE administrative rule requirements for nursing licensure.

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• For reactivation from an inactive status, the requirement is 12 contact hours that are not more than 12 months old at the time the credit is submitted for reactivation.

Nurses must complete nursing CE within the license renewal period. The timeframe when a licensee may take CE coursework to count toward license renewal begins the 16th of the birth month, and runs until the nurse renews his/her license for the next renewal period. You should plan to renew your license 30 to 60 days prior to the expiration date listed on your nursing license wallet card. Therefore, every three years, there will be a period between when you renew your license, and the actual expiration date of the license, when CE credits do not count toward renewal requirements. In other words, when you renew your nursing license, CE requirements must be met you do not have until the expiration date listed on your wallet card.

This is an example: A nurse is renewing his/her three year renewal and has a birthday on December 20th. The actual expiration date of the license is December 15th. The nurse cannot renew until after October 15th, and should plan to renew no later than November 15th. Even though the actual expiration date of the license is not until December 15th, all of the CE credits must be done before the nurse completes the renewal application by mid-November. Upon renewal of the license in mid-November, this nurse should honestly be able to answer the attestation statement on the renewal application stating that he/she has met the 36 contact hours required for a three (3) year

Carry-over credits are no longer allowed, and were eliminated from the administrative rules in 2001. Using the above example, if the nurse renews on November 15th, and takes a class on December 1st, the CE credits earned for the class do not count for the current renewal, and they cannot be carried over to the next renewal period effective December 16th.

You should make it a practice to keep track of nursing CE credits throughout the renewal period. Before beginning your license renewal application, all of your CE documentation should be in-hand and verified by you as meeting CE requirements. That way, if you are chosen for a random audit when you renew, you are immediately ready to send in your paperwork documenting your CE coursework. Remember: If it is not documented, it is not done!

To be accepted for audit purposes, CE certificates for informal coursework must include the following: your name as attendee, the title of the class, date the course was taken, the place where the class was held, name and provider number of Board-approved providers for live coursework held in the state of lowa, and must clearly list the number of contact hours or CEUs awarded. A transcript from an employer's online learning system is not sufficient documentation for audit: Individual certificates for classes are needed.

Self-study courses and on-site courses attended outside of lowa are acceptable if they qualify as appropriate subject matter, and are either covered by an approved lowa provider, or have been granted special approval, or are approved by one of the following:

- a. The American Nurses Association (American Nurses' Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation)
- The National League for Nursing
- The National Federation of Licensed Practical
- d. National Association for Practical Nurse Education and Service, Inc.
- e. A board of nursing in any other mandatory continuing education state.

As soon as you complete an online self-study course, print the certificate and store it in a safe place.

As a nurse licensed in the state of lowa, it is your responsibility to know, and follow, the administrative rules governing your nursing practice. Make it a priority to choose CE activities that will benefit you and your patients or clients in your nursing practice, and which meet the administrative rule requirements for CE. Make a commitment to quality, lifelong learning – and to accurate documentation that can support the efforts you have taken.

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ing child and dependent adult abuse reporting and the course:

Q) What is the purpose of the child and dependent adult abuse reporting law?

A) The abuse reporting law is to provide protection to children and dependent adults by encouraging the reporting of suspected abuse.

Q) Which state agency is responsible for providing protective services to children and dependent adults?

- A) The Iowa Department of Human Services.
- Q) Who are mandatory reporters of abuse?
- A) Professionals who have frequent contact with children or dependent adults in the course of their work are considered to be mandatory reporters.
- Q) What training is required for mandatory reporters of abuse?
- A) Mandatory reporters are required by law to complete two hours of training during their first six months of employment or self-employment and two hours every five years thereafter.
 - Q) What is the definition of child by Iowa law?
 - A) Any person under the age of 18 years.
 - Q) What is the definition of dependent adult?

A) People who are aged 18 or over and are incapable of adequate self-care due to physical or mental conditions and require assistance from other people. Dependent adults may be elderly or may have diminished physical or mental capacities that prevent them from meeting their own needs adequately. lowa has a sizable population of adults who are dependent but are not elderly.

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According to Goodnow's History of Nursing, a prominent faction of policy makers as late as 1930 opposed higher education for nurses, on the grounds that "the average nurse did not need it, that women with less education did satisfactory work, and that intellectual women often made poor nurses." The U.S. Census Bureau classified nurses as semi-professional status in 1940.

lowa law required three years of training for Registered Nurses until 1964. At that time, the Board decreased the requirements to two years to accommodate Associate Degree programs. Administrative rules permitting the use of clinical nurse preceptors were implemented in 1994. The last hospital-based diploma program in lowa closed in 1999. By 2002, there was one doctoral program, five post-master's programs, five master's programs, 13 baccalaureate programs, 26 associate degree and 28 practical nursing programs.

The Iowa Articulation Plan for Nursing Education was implemented in 1990. The Plan provided four options through which graduates of associate degree and practical nursing programs could progress to the baccalaureate level with minimal repetition of course content.

Today, in 2015, the lowa Board of Nursing approves 29 practical nursing programs, 32 associate degree programs, 20 baccalaureate programs, 4 post master's programs, 7 master's programs and 6 doctoral programs. The lowa Board of Nursing has the authority to approve nursing programs pursuant to lowa Code, 152.5.

What an impact time has played in the promotion of nursing education as it relates to the practice of safe, competent and intelligent nurses! How strange to believe that the less-intellectual a person is, the better nurse they would be. We certainly have come a long way since 1930.

Not only has the importance of education progressed, but also the method in which nursing education is delivered is changing daily. The advent of on-line education has empowered the nurse to become educated while sitting in the comforts of her or his home. Clinical experiences may be completed under the direction of preceptors and high-fidelity simulation is giving nursing students real life client scenarios they otherwise may not have the opportunity to experience.

Education is the safeguard to protecting the public health, safety and welfare. Nursing education promotes the development of confident and safe nurses, it promotes the highest standards of practice based on research and evidence and it continues to promote nursing as the true profession it is.

Continuing Education. In 1978, the legislature passed a law which made continuing education a prerequisite for license renewal. The initial requirement was 15 contact hours annually. This was extrapolated to 45 contact hours when the licensure cycle was expanded in 1980 to every three years by birth month.

In 2001, the requirement was reduced to 12 contact hours per year, or 36 contact hours every three years.

Continuing education continues to be mandated by lowa law as a prerequisite to renewal of an lowa nursing license. Though continuing education is often viewed as a mandate, the true intent is the opportunity to be a lifelong learner who provides safe and competent care to the public.

As advancements in the healthcare field continue, the need for learning new skills, new research studies and new treatments also continue. Make it a commitment in your learning to choose continuing education which will impact your practice and once again promote the protection of the public's health, safety and welfare. Learning should never stop!



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Iowa Administrative Code 655Chapter 5 Rules on Continuing Education – Licensees

655 - 5.2(152) Continuing education - licensees.

- **5.2(1)** Board authority. The board derives its authority under lowa Code chapter 272C to create continuing education requirements as a prerequisite to obtain a current license and an audit system to ensure compliance. Rules relating to the continuing education and licensing of registered nurses and licensed practical nurses are found in this chapter; rules relating to the continuing education and licensing of advanced registered nurse practitioners are found in nursing board rules, 655 Chapter 7.
- **5.2(2)** Requirements. To obtain a registered nurse or licensed practical nurse license for the next renewal period, the licensee shall verify the completion of continuing education requirements or exceptions to the requirements, as outlined in subrule 5.2(3).
- a. Thirty-six contact hours or 3.6 continuing education units (CEUs) shall be required for renewal of a three-year license. Twenty-four contact hours or 2.4 CEUs shall be required for renewal of a license which was issued for less than three years as a result of one of the following:
 - (1) Examination.
 - (2) Endorsement into Iowa from another state.
 - (3) Reactivation from inactive status.
- b. The hours specified in paragraph "a" shall be completed in the license period for which the license was issued. Credit will not be accepted for a duplication of informal or formal offerings within a license period.
- c. Continuing education credits from a previous license period including all make-up credit shall not be used, nor shall credits be accumulated for use in a future licensure period.
- d. Units of measurement used for continuing education courses shall be as follows:
- (1) 1 contact hour = 50 minutes of didactic instruction, work on learner designed self-study, and clinical or laboratory practicum in an informal offering.
 - (2) 1 CEU = 10 contact hours of instruction.
- (3) 1 academic semester hour = 15 contact hours of instruction.
- (4) 1 academic quarter hour = 10 contact hours of instruction.
- e. To be approved for continuing education credit, formal offerings shall meet the qualifications of appropriate subject matter as specified in subrule 5.3(2), paragraph "a," or be required toward meeting the requirements of a nursing education program which extends beyond the education completed for the original nursing license. Questions about whether particular

formal offerings will be approved may be directed to the board office. A denial of approval may be appealed to the board within one month of the denial. The licensee shall retain a transcript exhibiting a passing grade for each formal offering or verification of attendance for offerings which are audited.

- f. To be approved for continuing education credit, informal offerings shall meet the qualifications of appropriate subject matter as specified in subrule 5.3(2), paragraph "a." There are no restrictions on amount of credit acquired through learner designed or provider designed self-study. The licensee shall retain a certificate to verify completion of each informal offering.
- (1) Informal offerings shall be accepted when offered by board-approved providers or when guided by board-approved providers in learner designed self-study. All learner designed self-study and all offerings within lowa including distance education technology, e.g., satellite programming, shall be sponsored by a board-approved provider to be acceptable.
- (2) Informal offerings attended outside of lowa or offered as self-study, including Internet self-study, shall be accepted when recognized by other state boards of nursing with mandatory continuing education requirements or offered by the American Nurses' Association, National League for Nursing, National Federation of Licensed Practical Nurses, National Association for Practical Nurse Education and Service, Inc. These informal offerings shall be in accordance with the continuing education standards as follows:
- 1. American Nurses' Credentialing Center Manual for Accreditation as a Provider of Continuing Education in Nursing in effect in 2001 and the Manual for Accreditation as an Approver of Continuing Education in effect in 2001.
- 2. National League for Nursing criteria and guidelines of the International Association for Continuing Education and Training in effect in 2000.
- 3. National Federation of Licensed Practical Nurses Continuing Education Department policies and procedures in effect in 1997.
- 4. National Association for Practical Nurse Education and Service, Inc. (NAPNES) Criteria for Approval of Continuing Education in effect in 2000.
- (3) Informal offerings offered from nonapproved providers outside of lowa or an organization not specified in subrule 5.2(2), paragraph "f," subparagraph (2), whether it be a self-study course, an Internet self-study course, or a live presentation attended outside of lowa, shall be accepted when specially approved by the

board for an individual licensee. A licensee shall obtain special approval from the board office in order to receive credit acceptable to fulfill the requirements. The special approval application form is available from the board office upon request. Special approval requires submission of a completed application and a brochure, advertisement, or course description prior to the completion of the licensure period. Course content shall meet the qualifications of appropriate subject matter as specified in subrule 5.3(2), paragraph "a." The licensee shall retain the approval letter from the board office, in addition to the certificate of attendance received from the nonapproved provider. A denial of approval may be appealed to the board within one month of the denial.

g. Activities not specified in subrule 5.2(2), paragraph "e" or "f," shall be considered appropriate for continuing education credit only after approval has been obtained in writing from the board.

5.2(3) Exceptions to the requirements in subrule 5.2(2), paragraph "a." A waiver of continuing education requirements or extensions of time within which to fulfill the requirements may be granted on an individual basis. Specific instructions are available from the board office for the following:

a. A licensee shall be deemed to have complied with the continuing education requirements during periods that person serves honorably on active duty in the military service as specified in lowa Code section 272C.2(3). The continuing education credit requirements shall be waived; however, a licensee who claims this exception shall retain evidence of active duty to be presented upon request from the board.

(1) A licensee who served on active duty for the entire license period or through the end of the license period shall be exempt from the requirement of continuing education credits.

(2) A licensee who served on active duty for a portion of a license period but is not on active duty at the time of renewal shall comply with continuing education requirements of lowa for the remainder of the license period. The required hours are prorated at 12 contact hours per year for each period of 12 consecutive months when not on active duty.

b. A licensee shall be deemed to have complied with the continuing education requirements when that person, at the time of renewal, resides outside of lowa and holds a current license to practice in a state other than lowa which also has mandatory continuing edu-

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cation. The continuing education credit requirements shall be waived; however, a licensee who claims this exception shall retain evidence of the out-of-state license to be presented upon request from the board.

- (1) A licensee who resides out of state for the entire license period or through the end of the license period and meets a state's continuing education requirements to maintain a current license shall be exempt from the requirements of continuing education credits.
- (2) A licensee who resided out of state for a portion of a license period but is residing in lowa at the time of renewal shall comply with continuing education requirements of lowa for the remainder of the license period. The required hours are prorated at 12 contact hours per year for each period of 12 consecutive months of residence in lowa.
- c. A licensee shall be deemed to have complied with the continuing education requirements during periods that person is a government employee working as a registered nurse or licensed practical nurse and assigned to duty outside of the United States as specified in lowa Code section 272C.2(4). The continuing education credit requirement shall be waived; however, a licensee who claims this exception shall retain evidence of government employment outside the United States

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to be presented upon request from the board.

- (1) A licensee who is a government employee serving outside the United States for the entire license period or through the end of the license period shall be exempt from the requirement of continuing education credits.
- (2) A licensee who is a government employee serving outside the United States for a portion of a license period, but is not in that status at the time of renewal, shall comply with continuing education requirements of lowa for the remainder of the license period. The required hours are prorated at 12 contact hours per year for each period of 12 consecutive months when not in that status.
- d. A licensee shall be deemed to have complied with the continuing education requirements during periods that person is in foreign service as a registered nurse or licensed practical nurse outside the United States where a current license is required. The continuing education credit requirement shall be waived; however, a licensee who claims this exception shall retain evidence of foreign service requiring licensure to be presented upon request from the board.
- (1) A licensee who is serving in such a position for the entire license period or through the end of the license period shall be exempt from the requirement for continuing education credits.
 - (2) A licensee who is serving in such a position for a

portion of the license period, but is not in that status at the time of renewal, shall comply with continuing education requirements of lowa for the remainder of the license period. The required hours are prorated at 12 contact hours per year for each period of 12 consecutive months when not in that status.

e. A licensee shall be deemed to have complied with the continuing education requirements when that person at the time of renewal possesses evidence of certification in a specialty area of nursing practice for the advanced registered nurse practitioner as defined in rule 655 – 7.1 (152). The continuing education credit requirements shall be waived; however, a licensee who claims this exception shall retain evidence of current certification by the national organization to be submitted upon request.

f. A licensee who has had a physical or mental disability or illness during the license period shall be eligible for a waiver. A waiver provides for an extension of time or exemption from some or all of the continuing education requirements. An application for a waiver is available upon request to the board office. The application requires the signature of a physician who can attest to the existence of a disability or illness during the license period. The application for a waiver shall be approved or denied depending on the disability or illness of the licensee. A licensee shall be notified of the decision. A licensee who obtains approval shall retain a copy of the waiver to be presented to the board upon request

5.2(4) Failure to meet requirements or conditions for exceptions to requirements. The licensee who fails to meet the requirements or the conditions for exceptions has the following options:

a. If the requirements or the conditions for exceptions are met during the late renewal period, as defined in rule 655 – 3.1(17A,147,152,272C), the licensee may retain the license in an active status.

(1) To remain active, the licensee shall complete the continuing education requirements as specified in subrule 5.2(2) or 5.2(3) as well as other requirements specified in 655 – subrule 3.7(4). The licensee shall be required to submit to an audit of continuing education following the late renewal. The licensee shall automatically be reaudited when late credit has been accepted.

(2) Failure to renew within 30 days after expiration shall cause the license to be placed on inactive status.

b. An inactive license as defined in rule 655 – 3.1(17A, 147,152,272C) may be reactivated.

c. To reactivate a license, the licensee shall obtain 12 contact hours of continuing education within the 12 months prior to reactivation and complete the requirements specified in 655 – subrule 3.7(5).

5.2(5) Audit of licensees. The board may select licensees for audit following a period of licensure.

a. The licensee must submit verification of compliance with continuing education requirements or exceptions for the period of licensure being audited. Verification for satisfactory completion of the audit includes legible copies of certificates of attendance, transcripts, special approval of informal offerings from nonapproved providers, or documentation of compliance with exceptions in subrule 5.2(3).

b. The licensee must submit verification of the requirement specified in 655 – subrule 3.7(3).

c. Verification must be submitted within one month after the date of the audit. Extension of time may be granted on an individual basis.

d. If submitted materials are incomplete or unsatisfactory, the licensee shall be notified. The licensee shall be given the opportunity to submit make-up credit to cover the deficit found through the audit. The deadline for receipt of the documentation for this make-up credit is within 90 days of receipt of the board office notification. The licensee shall be reaudited during the next renewal period when make-up credit has been accepted.

e. Licensees are required to keep certificates of attendance, letters verifying special approval for informal offerings from nonapproved providers, transcripts, and documentation of compliance with exceptions for four years.

f. The board shall notify the licensee of satisfactory completion of the audit.

g. Failure to complete the audit satisfactorily or falsification of information shall result in board action as described in nursing board rules, 655 – Chapter 4.

h. Failure to notify the board of a current mailing address will not absolve the licensee from the audit requirement; completion of an audit will be required prior to further license renewal.



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MEC: Medical Education Collaborative

February 7; 8 am-3:30 pm; West Des Moines 24th Annual Cardiovascular Today Conference.

Spon: lowa Heart Foundation. Contact: Cindy Conroy, (515) 633-3555. Fac: Kyle Ulveling, MD. Aud: RNs in family practice, internal medicine, and cardiology. The purpose of this annual conference is to provide an update of the latest in cardiovascular disease including prevention, diagnosis and treatment modalities. Fee: \$35. Reg. by: Jan 30. CEUs: 0.6 (no partial credit will be granted).

February 9; 8 am-1 pm; Sioux City

Basic Life Support (BLS) Provider. Spon: Mercy Medical Center – Sioux City. Contact: Nora Van Peursem, (712) 279-2163. Fac: Carolyn Nelson. Aud: RNs/LPNs. Basic Life Support (BLS) Provider Class for Healthcare Providers prepares a wide variety of healthcare professionals to recognize several life-threatening emergencies and to provide CPR, use an AED, and relieve choking in a safe, timely, and effective manner per American Health Association guidelines. Fee: \$100. Reg. by: NG. CEUs: 0.6.

February 11 and 12; 8 am-3 pm; Sioux City

Advanced Cardiovascular Life Support Provider. Spon: Mercy Medical Center – Sioux City. Contact: Nora Van Peursem, (712) 279-2163. Fac: Nora Van Peursem, BSN, RN, CCRN. Aud: RNs. ACLS Provider Class improves the quality of care provided to the adult victim, both in or out of the hospital, of cardiac arrest or other cardiopulmonary emergencies per American Heart Association guidelines. Fee: \$200. Reg. by: NG. CEUs: 1.26.

February 18; 8 am-3 pm; Sioux City

Advanced Cardiovascular Life Support Renewal. Spon: Mercy Medical Center – Sioux City. Contact: Nora Van Peursem, (712) 279-2163. Fac: Nora Van Peursem, BSN, RN, CCRN. Aud: RNs. ACLS Renewal Class improves the quality of care provided to the adult victim, both in or out of the hospital, of cardiac arrest or other cardiopulmonary emergencies per American Heart Association guidelines. Fee: \$150. Reg. by: NG. CEUs: 0.72.

February 25; 8 am-3 pm; Sioux City

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March 12; 8 am-3 pm; Sioux City

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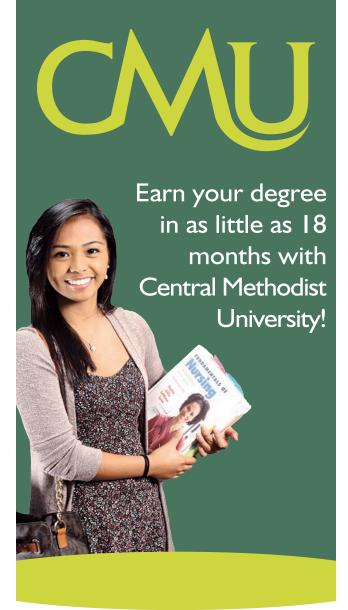
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March 18 and 19; 8 am-3 pm; Sioux City

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April 1 and 2; 8 am-3 pm; Sioux City Advanced Cardiovascular Life Support Provider.

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April 8; 8 am-3 pm; Sioux City

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April 16; 8 am-3 pm; Sioux City

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April 17; 8:15 am-3:30 pm; Sioux City

Protecting Families Spring Conference 2015. Spon: Mercy Medical Center. Contact: Rose Schlesser, (712) 279-2507. Fac: Cordelia Anderson, MA. Aud: All health-care professionals. This conference will provide information on current information and topics in the protection of children and families. Fee: \$50. Reg. by: NG. CEUs: TBD.



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HCC Hawkeye Community College KCC: Kirkwood Community College **Medical Education Collaborative** NEICC: Northeast Iowa Community College NIACC: North Iowa Area Community College RHEC: Regional Health Education Centere

February 7; 8 am-3:30 pm; West Des Moines

24th Annual Cardiovascular Today Conference. Spon: Iowa Heart Foundation. Contact: Cindy Conroy, (515) 633-3555. Fac: David Laughrun, MD. Aud: RNs in family practice, internal medicine, and cardiology. The purpose of this annual conference is to provide an update of the latest in cardiovascular disease including prevention, diagnosis and treatment modalities. Fee: \$35. Reg. by: Jan 30. CEUs: 0.6 (no partial credit will be granted).

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Region IV

Southeast Counties of Iowa

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Keokuk, Lee, Louisa, Mahaska, Marion, Monroe, Muscatine, Scott, Van Buren, Wapello, Washington.

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KCC: Kirkwood Community College MEC: Medical Education Collaborative SCC: Southeastern Community College University of Iowa Hospital and Clinics

February 2; 9 am-4 pm; lowa City

Basic Fetal Monitoring. Spon: UIHC Department of Nursing. Contact: Karen Marek, Conference Coordinator, (319) 356-4304. Fac: Jeana Andrew, MSN, RNC and Rachel Woodard, BSN, RNC; Department of Nursing, UIHC. Aud: RNs working on obstetrics. To provide basic information on methods of fetal monitoring, recognition of changes/interventions to assist in the management of patients, and documentation issues. Fee: TBA. Reg. by: Jan 12. CEUs: 0.65.

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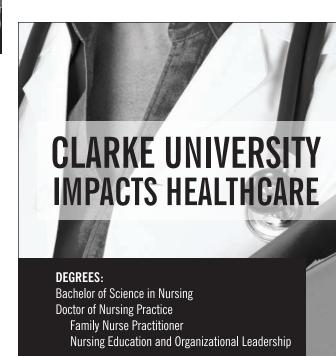
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February 4 and 5; lowa City
Times: February 4: 9 am-4:15 pm;
February 5: 8 am-4 pm

AWHONN Intermediate Fetal Heart Monitoring Program. Spon: UIHC Department of Nursing. Contact: Karen Marek, Conference Coordinator, (319) 356-4304. Fac: Jeana Andrew, MSN, RNC; Amy Sanborn, MSN, RNC; and Rachel Woodard, BSN, RNC. Aud: Nurses/Midwives/ ARNPs/MDs (all participants must have a minimum of

6 months recent experience in fetal heart monitoring). Promotes integration of knowledge and skills essential to nursing assessment, promotion, and evaluation of fetal safety during labor. Fee: \$215 if postmarked by Jan 13. Reg. by: Jan 15. CEUs: 1.4.

February 7; 8 am-3:30 pm; West Des Moines

24th Annual Cardiovascular Today Conference. Spon: lowa Heart Foundation. Contact: Cindy Conroy, (515) 633-3555. Fac: David Laughrun, MD. Aud: RNs in family practice, internal medicine, and cardiology. The purpose of this annual conference is to provide an update of the latest in cardiovascular disease including prevention, diagnosis and treatment modalities. Fee: \$35. Reg. by: Jan 30. CEUs: 0.6 (no partial credit will be granted).

February 10; 8 am-4:20 pm; lowa City

Site Specific Oncology Clinical Enrichment: Hematology Oncology. Spon: UIHC Department of Nursing. Contact: Karen Marek, Conference Coordinator, (319)

356-4304. Fac: University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics staff. Aud: Licensed nurses. The purpose of this class is to provide information on hematological conditions and hematological malignancies including etiology, diagnosis, treatment, symptom management, nursing care and expected outcomes. Fee: \$75. Reg. by: Jan 19. CEUs: 0.82.

February 12; 7:30 am-3 pm; lowa City

Basic Life Support (BLS) Renewal. Spon: Mercy lowa City. Contact: Mercy On Call, 1-800-358-2767 or www.mercyiowacity.org. Fac: BLS approved instructors. Aud: RNs and health care providers. Fee: \$45. Reg. by: Preferred by Jan 22 (class size limited). CEUs: None.

February 12; 8 am-5 pm; Iowa City

AWHONN Advanced Fetal Heart Monitoring Program. Spon: UIHC Department of Nursing. Contact: Karen Marek, Conference Coordinator, (319) 356-4304. Fac: Jeana Andrew, MSN, RNC; Amy Sanborn, MSN, RNC; and Rachel Woodard, BSN, RNC. Aud: Nurses/Midwives/ARNPs/MDs (must have completed the AWHONN Intermediate FHM class or have comparable training and have at least 1 year clinical experience). Advanced FHM course conveys the application of advanced fetal heart monitoring knowledge and skills in intrapartum clinical practice. Fee: \$145 if postmarked by Jan 21. Reg. by: Jan 21. CEUs: 0.84.

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February 17 and 18; Iowa City Times: February 17: 8:30 am-4 pm; February 18: 8:30 am-12:30 pm

ACLS Provider Course. Spon: Mercy lowa City. Contact: Mercy On Call, 1-800-358-2767 or www.mercyiowacity.org. Fac: ACLS approved instructors. Aud: RNs and healthcare providers. To successfully demonstrate the ACLS protocols according to the AHA guidelines, prerequisites include completed self-assessment. Fee: \$185. Reg. by: Preferred by Feb 3 (class size limited). CEUs: 0.74.

February 21; 7:15 am-3 pm; lowa City

22nd Annual Ambulatory Surgery Conference. Spon: Mercy lowa City. Contact: Mercy On Call, 1-800-358-2767 or www.mercyiowacity.org. Fac: Multiple. Aud: RNs and healthcare providers. This intense one-day offering will provide an opportunity to gain pertinent information about key issues related to ambulatory surgery patient care. Topics to include: What's New in Hand Surgery, Anesthesia Concerns, Treatment of Obesity: A Surgeon's Perspective, Alarm Fatigue and Alarm Management in the Ambulatory Care Setting and more. Fee: \$65. Reg. by: Feb 1 (class size limited to 120). CEUs: 0.72.

February 26 and 27; lowa City Times: February 26: 8 am-4 pm; February 27: 8 am-2:15 pm

Fundamentals of Chemotherapy and the Patient Experience. Spon: UIHC Department of Nursing. Contact: Karen Marek, Conference Coordinator, (319) 356-4304. Fac: University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics staff. Aud: RNs providing chemotherapy. This two-day program is designed to enhance the nurse's understanding of chemotherapy and care of patients receiving chemotherapy. Fee: TBA. Reg. by: Feb 4. CEUs: 1.32.

February 27; 12 noon-3:30 pm; lowa City

Basic Life Support (BLS) Renewal. Spon: Mercy lowa City. Contact: Mercy On Call, 1-800-358-2767 or www.mercyiowacity.org. Fac: BLS approved instructors. Aud: RNs and health care providers. Fee: \$45. Reg. by: Preferred by Feb 6 (class size limited). CEUs: None.

February 28; 7:15 am-3:15 pm; lowa City

13th Annual Endoscopy Conference. Spon: Mercy lowa City. Contact: Mercy On Call, 1-800-358-2767 or www.mercyiowacity.org. Fac: Multiple. Aud: RNs and healthcare providers. This intense one-day offering will provide you with updated information related to various endoscopic topics as well as the opportunity to dialogue with colleagues and vendors. Topics include: Colon Cancer Screening, Pathology of Colon Cancer, Adjuvant Therapy of Colon Cancer, Treatment of Obesity: A Surgeon's Perspective and more. Fee: \$65. Reg. by: Feb 1 (class size lim-

ited to 200). CEUs: 0.66.

March 3 and 4; Iowa City
Times: March 3: 8 am-4:30 pm;
March 4: 8 am-12 noon

PALS Provider Course. Spon: Mercy lowa City. Contact: Mercy On Call, 1-800-358-2767 or www.mercyiowacity.org. Fac: PALS approved instructors. Aud: RNs and healthcare providers. To successfully demonstrate PALS skills and protocols according to the AHA guidelines; prerequisites include completed pre-test. Fee: \$185. Reg. by: Preferred by Feb 17 (class size limited). CEUs: 0.98.

March 7; Time - TBA; Iowa City

2015 Perianesthesia Nursing Conference. Spon: UIHC Department of Nursing. Contact: Karen Marek, Conference Coordinator, (319) 356-4304. Fac: University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics staff. Aud: Licensed nurses. To provide information on topics of interest to pre- and post-anesthesia nurses including breast cancer surgery and breast reconstruction, melanoma surgery, piloric stenosis, medication patches, malignant hyperthermia treatment update, and more. Fee: TBA. Reg. by: Feb 13. CEUs: TBA.

March 10; 8 am-3:30 pm; lowa City

Site Specific Oncology Clinical Enrichment: Solid Tumors. Spon: UIHC Department of Nursing. Contact: Karen Marek, Conference Coordinator, (319) 356-4304. Fac: University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics staff. Aud: Licensed nurses. The purpose of this class is to provide information on cancer site specific solid tumors including etiology, diagnosis, treatment, symptom management and expected outcomes. Fee: \$75. Reg. by: Feb 16. CEUs: 0.69.

March 12; 7:30-11:15 am; lowa City

Basic Life Support (BLS) Renewal. Spon: Mercy lowa City. Contact: Mercy On Call, 1-800-358-2767 or www.mercyiowacity.org. Fac: BLS approved instructors. Aud: RNs and health care providers. Fee: \$45. Reg. by: Preferred by Feb 19 (class size limited). CEUs: None.

March 16; 12 noon-4 pm; Iowa City

ACLS Provider Renewal. Spon: Mercy lowa City. Contact: Mercy On Call, 1-800-358-2767 or www.mercyiowacity.org. Fac: ACLS approved instructors. Aud: RNs and healthcare providers. To successfully demonstrate the ACLS protocols according to the AHA guidelines, prerequisites include completed self-assessment. Fee: \$80. Reg. by: Preferred by March 2 (class size limited). CEUs: None.

March 23; 7:30 am-3 pm; Iowa City

Basic Life Support (BLS) Renewal. Spon: Mercy lowa City. Contact: Mercy On Call, 1-800-358-2767 or www.mercyiowacity.org. Fac: BLS approved instructors. Aud:

RNs and health care providers. Fee: \$45. Reg. by: Preferred by March 2 (class size limited). CEUs: None.

March 24; Time – TBA; Iowa City

2015 Surgical Nursing Conference. Spon: UIHC Department of Nursing. Contact: Karen Marek, Conference Coordinator, (319) 356-4304. Fac: University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics staff. Aud: Licensed nurses. To provide information for nurses caring for a variety of surgical patients. Topics include BIS monitoring, kidney transplant update, craniofacial surgery, skin cancer, neuroendocrine tumors, surgical treatment of female incontinence, patient education, and more. Fee: TBA. Reg. by: March 2. CEUs: TBA.

March 28 and 30; Iowa City Times: March 28: 8 am-12 noon; March 30: 3:30-6:30 pm

Basic Life Support Provider Course. Spon: Mercy lowa City. Contact: Mercy On Call, 1-800-358-2767 or www.mercyiowacity.org. Fac: BLS approved instructors. Aud: RNs and health care providers. To successfully demonstrate BLS skills and protocols according to the AHA guidelines. Fee: \$55. Reg. by: Preferred by March 13. CEUs: 0.4.

March 31-April 1; Time – TBA; Iowa City

Scofield Advanced Oncology Nursing Conference. Spon: UIHC Department of Nursing. Contact: Karen Marek, Conference Coordinator, (319) 356-4304. Fac: University of lowa Hospitals and Clinics staff. Aud: Licensed nurses. To provide information on a variety of issues related to cancer including use of viruses to fight cancer; lymphedema management; updates on ovarian cancer, head/neck cancers, malignant melanoma, multiple myeloma; pain management, survivorship issues and more. Fee: TBA. Reg. by: March 9. CEUs: TBA.

April 1; 7:30 am-3 pm; lowa City

Basic Life Support (BLS) Renewal. Spon: Mercy lowa City. Contact: Mercy On Call, 1-800-358-2767 or www.mercyiowacity.org. Fac: BLS approved instructors. Aud: RNs and health care providers. Fee: \$45. Reg. by: Preferred by March 11 (class size limited). CEUs: None.

April 13; 12 noon-4 pm; Iowa City

PALS Provider Renewal Course. Spon: Mercy lowa City. Contact: Mercy On Call, 1-800-358-2767 or www.mercyiowacity.org. Fac: PALS approved instructors. Aud: RNs and healthcare providers. To successfully demonstrate PALS skills and protocols according to the AHA guidelines, prerequisites include completed pre-test. Fee: \$80. Reg. by: Preferred by March 23 (class size limited). CEUs: None.

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April 14; Time - TBA; Iowa City

Care of Orthopaedic Patients with Joint Pathology. Spon: UIHC Department of Nursing and NAON. Contact: Karen Marek, Conference Coordinator, (319) 356-4304. Fac: Mellisa Willenborg, MD, Assistant Professor, Orthopaedics. Aud: Licensed nurses. A program sponsored with Hawkeye Chapter #149 National Association of Orthopaedic Nurses to provide nurses and allied health professionals with an overview of conservative and surgical management for patients with joint pathology. Fee: TBA. Reg. by: March 23. CEUs: TBA.

April 14; 8 am-3:30 pm; lowa City

Site Specific Oncology Clinical Enrichment: Surgical/ Procedural/Miscellaneous Topics. Spon: UIHC Depart-

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1203 E. Washington Washington, Iowa 52353 ment of Nursing. Contact: Karen Marek, Conference Coordinator, (319) 356-4304. Fac: University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics staff. Aud: Licensed nurses. The purpose of this class is to provide information on surgeries, procedures, and cares for patients with cancer including principles of radiation oncology, surgical oncology, oncologic emergencies, delirium and sexuality. Fee: \$75. Reg. by: March 23. CEUs: 0.7.

April 16 and 17; 7 am-5 pm; lowa City

TNCC Provider Course. Spon: Mercy lowa City. Contact: Mercy On Call, 1-800-358-2767 or www.mercyiowacity.org. Fac: TNCC approved instructors. Aud: RNs and healthcare providers. This intense course will provide standardized training according to the Trauma Nurse Core Course **7th Edition** curriculum. Fee: \$275 (includes all course materials and recording fees). Reg. by: Preferred by March 26. CEUs: 2.1.

April 17, 18, 24, 25, and May 1 and 2; Time – Varied (see flyer); Davenport

Foundations in Faith Community Nursing Course.

Spon: Genesis Medical Center. Contact: Jennifer Hildebrand, (563) 421-5513. Fac: Jennifer Hildebrand, RN, BS, FCN. Aud: RNs/LPNs/Social Workers/Therapists/Chaplains/ Clergy Spouses and other lay persons who feel called to serve in a ministry of health and wholeness. To prepare the RN and/or health minister to develop or participate in the healing ministry of a faith community. Fee: \$200. Reg. by: April 3. CEUs: 3.68.

April 23 and 24; Time - NG; Iowa City

22nd National Evidence Based Practice Conference. Spon: UIHC Department of Nursing. Contact: Administrative Services Specialist, (319) 384-6737. Fac: Ann Bisantz, PhD, Professor and Chair, Industrial and Systems Engineering, University at Buffalo. Aud: Licensed nurses and others. The 2015 conference highlights the research and evidence regarding nursing workload and outcomes related to healthcare quality and staff wellness. Fee: TBD. Reg. by: TBD. CEUs: TBD.

April 28; 12 noon-3:30 pm; lowa City



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mercyiowacity.org. Fac: BLS approved instructors. Aud: RNs and health care providers. Fee: \$45. Reg. by: Preferred by April 7 (class size limited). CEUs: None.

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DMACC: Des Moines Area Community College
HCC: Hawkeye Community College
INA: Iowa Nurses' Association
MEC: Medical Education Collaborative
UIHC: University of Iowa Hospital and Clinics

February 6; 8:30 am-4:30 pm; Des Moines

The Iowa Ortho Annual Worker's Compensation Conference. Spon: Iowa Ortho. Contact: Julia Lantz, (515) 323-6455. Fac: William H. Grell. Aud: Case managers, employee health nurses, orthopedic staff nurses. Provide information on updates and clarification of worker's compensation laws and benefits. Fee: \$75. Reg. by: Feb 1. CEUs: 0.78.

February 7; 8 am-3:30 pm; West Des Moines

24th Annual Cardiovascular Today Conference. Spon: Iowa Heart Foundation. Contact: Cindy Conroy, (515) 633-3555. Fac: David Laughrun, MD. Aud: RNs in family practice, internal medicine, and cardiology. The purpose of this annual conference is to provide an update of the latest in cardiovascular disease including prevention, diagnosis and treatment modalities. Fee: \$35. Reg. by: Jan 30. CEUs: 0.6 (no partial credit will be granted).

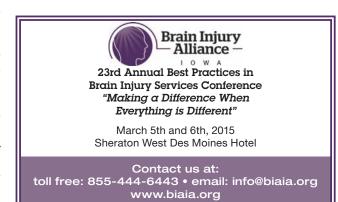
April 7 and 8; 7:45 am-4 pm; West Des Moines
41st Annual Iowa Conference on Perinatal Medicine. Spon: UIHC Department of Nursing.* Contact:
Leann Hotchkiss (leann-hotchkiss@uiowa.edu), (319)

356-2637. Fac: University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics staff. Aud: Licensed nurses/others. Annual conference sponsored by the Statewide Perinatal Program* to provide updated and current information on obstetric and newborn practices to Iowa perinatal care professionals in all levels of care. Fee: Nurses: \$195 for 2 days; \$165 for 1 day. Reg. by: March 16. CEUs: 1.26 (0.63 per day).

April 23 and 24; 7:30 am-4:30 pm; Des Moines

ELNEC (End of Life Nursing Education Consortium). Spon: Mercy Medical Center. Contact: LuAnn Lang, (515) 643-4082. Fac: Danette Hanson, RN, CHPN and Tami Singleton, RN, CHPN; Program Coordinators. Aud: Healthcare professionals. Presentation of eight core modules addressing the critical aspects of end-of-life care. Fee: \$180 for Non-Mercy employee; \$170 for Mercy employee. Reg. by: NG. CEUs: 1.62.











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Fac: Judith K. Orth, RN, CHPN, BSN, MA. Aud: RNs/LPNs/ARNPs. The nurse will enhance her knowledge and skills for providing end-of-life palliative care. Fee: \$29.95 online only. CEUs: 0.3.

Autoimmune Disorders.

Fac: Mary McGeough, BSN. Aud: RNs/LPNs. This online course will provide an overview of common autoimmune disorders including symptoms and treatment modalities. Fee: \$71.95 (shipping & applicable taxes additional); online fee, \$47.95. CEUs: 0.5.

Care of the Imminently Dying. (Online Only)

Fac: Judy K. Orth, BSN, CHPN, MA. Aud: RNs/LPNs. To aid the learner in recognizing and understanding the signs and symptoms of the active dying process and the corresponding care interventions. Fee: \$17.95 online only. CEUs: 0.18.

Child Abuse for Mandatory Reporters.

Author: Linda L. Fisk, RN, BS. Aud: RNs/LPNs/ARNPs. Approved by the lowa Abuse Education Review Panel to meet the Mandatory Reporters' requirements for child abuse education by reviewing and updating information on incidence, indications, treatment options and legal implications. Fee: Booklet, \$37.95 (shipping & applicable taxes additional); online fee, \$23.95. CEUs: 0.24.

Child and Dependent Adult Abuse for Mandatory Reporters.

Author: Linda L. Fisk, RN, BS. Aud: RNs/LPNs/ARNPs. Approved by the lowa Abuse Education Review Panel and intended to meet the Mandatory Reporter's requirements for child and dependent adult abuse education by reviewing and updating information on incidence, indications, treatment options and legal implications. Fee: Booklet, \$37.95 (shipping & applicable taxes additional); online fee, \$23.95. CEUs: 0.24.

Clostridium Difficle. (Online Only)

Fac: Denise Warren, RN, BSN. Aud: RNs/LPNs. Participants will better understand the relationship between the use of antibiotics and clostridium difficile infection (CDI). Fee: \$11.95 online only. CEUs: 0.12.

Dementia Training: Activities for Persons with Dementia. (Online Only) *NEW!*

Fac: Mary McGeough, RN, BSN, and Lisa Eick, RN. Aud: RNs/LPNs/ARNPs. All staff working in the long term care setting will increase their knowledge and skills in caring for persons diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease or a related disorder. Fee: \$11.95 online only. CEUs: 0.12.

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Dementia Training: Behavior Management. (Online Only) *NEW!*

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Dementia Training: Communication. (Online Only) NEW!

Fac: Mary McGeough, RN, BSN, and Lisa Eick, RN. Aud: RNs/LPNs/ARNPs. All staff working in the long term care setting will increase their knowledge and skills in caring for persons diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease or a related disorder. Fee: \$11.95 online only. CEUs: 0.12.

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Dementia Training: Philosophy of Care, Family and Staff Issues. (Online Only) *NEW!*

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Dementia Training: Understanding Alzheimer's Disease. (Online Only) NEW!

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Dependent Adult Abuse for Mandatory Reporters.

Author: Linda L. Fisk, RN, BS. Aud: RNs/LPNs/ARNPs. Approved by the lowa Abuse Education Review Panel to meet the Mandatory Reporters' requirements for dependent adult abuse education by reviewing and updating information on incidence, indications, treatment options and legal implications. Fee: Booklet, \$37.95 (shipping & applicable taxes additional); online fee, \$23.95. CEUs: 0.24.

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F315 Urinary Incontinence. (Online Only)

Fac: Denise Warren, RN, BSN. Aud: RNs/LPNs/ARNPs. The purpose of this course is to present health care professionals with a comprehensive understanding of the etiology, symptoms, and management of urinary incontinence which are outlined under Federal legislation – (F315) 42 CFR 483.25(d)(1)(2). Fee: \$11.95 online only. CEUs: 0.12.

Hospice 101. (Online Only) NEW!

Fac: Judy K. Orth, RN, CHPN, BSN, MA. Aud: RNs/LPNs/ARNPs. The purpose of this course is to educate the learner about the concept of hospice and the corresponding philosophies and services it provides. Fee: \$11.95 online only. CEUs: 0.12.

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Nursing Documentation.

Fac: Mary McGeough, RN, BSN. Aud: RNs/LPNs. Nurses will gain knowledge and skills related to the documentation of information in the patient's medical record. Fee: Booklet, \$26.95 (shipping & applicable taxes additional); online fee, \$17.95. CEUs: 0.18.

Pain Management at Life's End. (Online Only) NEW!

Fac: Judy K. Orth, RN, CHPN, BSN, MA. Aud: RNs/LPNs/ARNPs. The purpose of this course is to integrate recently published pain management evidence into clinical practice and care for the terminally ill. Fee: \$23.95 online only. CEUs: 0.24.



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Author: Linda Fisk, RN, BS; Dennis J. Janisse, C. Ped.; Erick J. Janisse, C. Ped., C.O.; W. Warren Hammond, MPT, CWS; and Nancy Gorshe, RN. Aud: RNs/LPNs/ARNPs. Upon completion of this series on wound care, the health professional will have an in-depth understanding of wounds, ulcers, complications and current treatments for prevention and healing of a variety of skin issues. This series includes: The Skin; Therapeutic Shoe Fitting; Circulatory Ulcers; Diabetic Foot Ulcers; Pressure Ulcers: Etiology. Fee: \$69.95 online only. CEUs: 0.78.

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