Critical Care Consortium

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Introduction

What is the Critical Care Education Consortium? A cooperative of New York State Capital Region hospitals committed to educating their employees on the latest techniques and procedures in critical care.

The hospitals are located:
- Ellis Medicine - Ellis Hospital - 1101 Nott Street, Schenectady, NY 12308
- CLASSES HELD AT McClellan Street Health Center @ 600 McClellan St, Schenectady, NY 12304 (IABP classes held at Nott Street campus)
- Glens Falls Hospital - 100 Park Street, Glens Falls, NY 12808
- Nathan Littauer Hospital - 99 East State Street, Gloversville, NY 12078
- St. Peter's Health Partners: Albany Memorial Hospital - 600 Northern Blvd., Albany NY 12204
- Samaritan Hospital - 2215 Burdett Avenue, Troy, NY 12180
- St. Peter's Hospital - 315 South Manning Blvd., Albany, NY 12208
- St. Peter's Health Partners: Stratton VA Medical Center - 113 Holland Avenue, Albany, NY 12208

There is no fee for participants registered by member hospitals. Registration fee for non-consortium participants:
- Single Day: $100.00
- ECG Rhythm Interpretation: $300
- Essentials: $400
- ED Course: $300
- 12 Lead ECG Interpretation: $150.00 per day

Pre-registration is required for ALL participants. Outside Participants can Register by contacting james.stasack@ascension.org; phone 518-770-7589. Link below for registration form.

Registration Deadline: 2 weeks before each course. Registrations without payment are not accepted.

Consortium member hospitals’ registrants receive priority if a class is full. Cancellations must be received 24 hours prior to the program. All refunds are subject to a 10% administrative fee. Refunds will be processed only when{james.stasack@ascension.org receives a written request or e-mail. We regret that no refunds will be given after the registration deadline has been reached.

Tasks

THIS ANNOUNCEMENT CONTAINS IMPORTANT INFORMATION. PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY AND FOLLOW THE DIRECTIONS COMPLETELY.

The consortium consists of 10 area hospitals who participate in providing a quality, entry level course. Each hospital provides expert speakers for lectures to ensure a quality program. *Please wear your hospital ID to every class*.

The dates of the course and class locations are provided below for each course. Class will begin promptly according to schedule. Please note that you should arrive at 15 minutes prior to class on the first day for registration. Please show your respect for the speaker by arriving on time. Lunch is on your own. A cafeteria is available on site.

To save time, you may wish to bring your lunch, but bring a cooler if food needs to be kept refrigerated. To validate attendance, you will be expected to sign in (initials) on the course roster in the AM and PM sessions and submit an evaluation form for each session you attend. The Consortium requires an Identification Number which will be used to track your attendance in our program database. Please be sure that your month and date (MMDD) of your birth date are correct in the ID# column on the attendance record.

Handouts will not be provided during class. Handouts are available to download and print from this consortium website under each class section. Exam: The exam is mandatory. A passing grade is 80% for Essentials and ED course except 85% for ECG and all lethal rhythms identified correctly. NO ELECTRONIC DEVICES DURING EXAMS. Test days will be at your own hospital. The host site will provide testing for outside participants on the test/makeup day.

Return from breaks and lunch on time. Do not use cell phones, beepers or other electronic devices during class unless you are utilizing electronic device for handouts. Please keep side conversations to a minimum. If you need to leave class early, notify your institution following the same procedure as if you were leaving your work area early. In order to be courteous to the...
presenter, please inform him/her during the break before you leave. If you become ill during class, please inform a fellow student so that this can be communicated to the presenter and course coordinator. When completing evaluations, please offer comments and constructive ways that the course and presentation might be improved. For ratings of 1 or 2, please add comments. It is expected that you schedule time to review class materials, review pertinent information in your textbooks and handouts. Study the material, and complete all homework assignments. It is also important that you ask questions during class and use resource persons in your clinical area to facilitate understanding and application of the content being taught. Please setup an appointment with your Educator/CNS as soon as possible if you are having any difficulty, or have any questions/concerns. Do not wait until you are totally confused or overwhelmed! CLASS CANCELLATION PLAN: In the event of predicted severe weather, a decision may be made to delay or cancel the class. On this website in the Welcome area. If you are unable to attend a scheduled class due to a weather event, contact your work site as you normally would when not coming to work if class is canceled, it will be rescheduled on the consortium makeup date. In the event of class cancellation, please check with your manager/supervisor about reporting to work. Please address all scheduling with your manager.

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Any delays or cancellations will be posted here. If you have any questions you can email me virginia.kehn@sphp.com. CLASS CANCELLATION PLAN: In the event of predicted severe weather, a decision may be made to delay or cancel the class BY 6:30am. Any delays or cancellations will be posted in the cancellation policy section in highlighted yellow. In the event of a 1 or 2 hour delay the expectation is to stay 1 or 2 hours past the scheduled time to ensure all content is provided. Do not expect the class to be cancelled just because schools are closed! If you are unable to attend a scheduled class due to a weather event, contact your work site as you normally would when not coming to work. If class is canceled, it will be rescheduled on the consortium makeup date. In the event of class cancellation, please check with your manager/supervisor about reporting to work. Please address all scheduling with your manager.

**ECG Course**

ECG Module: This 5-day program is a basic dysrhythmia course designed for nurses and monitor technicians. Day #1 Content includes Electrophysiology and Sinus Rhythms. Day #2 Content includes Atrial and Junctional Rhythms. Day #3: Content includes Ventricular Rhythms and Atrioventricular Blocks. Day #4: Content includes Pacemakers and AICD’s. Day #5: Comprehensive Exam Preparation/ECG Jeopardy! Day #6: ECG Exam at your home hospital.

Check with your educator on testing date and location. The ECG course is based on the ECG Workout: Exercises in Arrhythmia Interpretation, 7th Edition by Huff, J. et al. The textbook is a requirement and you need to bring your textbook with you to each class. Below are Power Point handouts for all the ECG classes.
Essentials Critical Care
Respiratory Assessment & ABG interpretationNon-invasive and Mechanical VentilationAcute Respiratory Distress Syndrom (ARDS)Acute Kidney InjuryCardiovascular Neurological Tissue IssuesGastrointestinal SepsisDICEndocrine DisordersPulmonary EmbolismHemodynamics and Critical Care InfusionsThe order of the days may change according to Instructor availabilityAny book of your choice is acceptable for use as a reference. The consortium has utilized Burns, S., AACN: Essentials of Critical Care Nursing Third Edition. Purchase of the text is optional. Books may be purchased from the online vendor of your choice if you desire for a reference.
Registration Fee for Non-Consortium members: Full course $400. Single day $100.00

12 Lead ECG Interpretation
This course is jointly provided by St. Peter's Health Partners and the Critical Care Consortium. Upon completion of the course and submission of a course evaluation, participants will be awarded 6 contact hours of nursing continuing education. St. Peter's Health Partners is an approved provider of continuing nursing education by the American Nurses Association Massachusetts, an accredited approver by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation. Learner Outcomes:
- Describe the heart's electrophysiology, anatomy and physiology.
- Identify risk factors, symptoms, and treatments for acute coronary syndrome.
- Identify which leads show ischemia and infarct in the area of the heart perfused by the major coronary arteries.
- Differentiate axis deviation using a quick reference.
- Recognize left and right bundle branch block.
- Identify cardiac pathophysiology using 12-lead EKG.
12 Lead ECG Interpretation: $150.00 per day for outside participants

IABP
Please complete all pre-work prior to attending the class. Copy the link for Getinge’s Educational Academy. Create a free account to access the study guide. https://getinge.training/DesktopShell.aspx?tabId=62

ED Course
Emergency Nursing Course: This 3-day course is designed for the new Emergency RN. Introduction to Emergency Nursing; Assessment and Priority Setting; Cardiac Emergencies Respiratory Emergencies Gastrointestinal/Genitourinary Emergencies General Medical Emergencies Organ and Tissue Donation Pain Management and Sedation Trauma Musculoskeletal Emergencies Lifecycle Violence ENT & Ocular Emergencies SSurface and Environmental Emergencies Emergency ManagementFamily PresencePediatric Emergencies Neurological Emergencies Behavioral health Emergencies OB/GYN Emergencies The ED Core course &nbsp;Sheehy’s Manual of Emergency Care, 7e (Newberry, Sheehy’s Manual of Emergency Care) by ENA, Belinda B Hammond and Polly Gerber Zimmermann RN MS MBA CEN (Feb 10, 2012) You may be required to pay for parking at the course host site. If you are required to pay for parking, you may be reimbursed by the Consortium. In order to be reimbursed, you must provide a receipt verifying the amount you paid for parking within 1 week of the end of the course to your hospital's Consortium representative. Free to any participating hospital employee; Outside Participants: Full Course $200.00; Single Day $100.00;