

HOSPICE AND PALLIATIVE CARE COURSE

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION:

This course focuses on the provision of optimal physical, psychological and psychosocial palliative or hospice care for patients with advanced disease and their families. It will help nurses and other health care professionals to identify needs specific to this population of patients and develop management strategies for meeting those needs.

DATES: April 13-15, 2010
TIME: 8:00 A.M. – 4:30 P.M. (Ending time varies)
LOCATION: Conference Center Auditorium, Fox Chase Cancer Center

WHO SHOULD ATTEND:

Registered nurses and other health care professionals who work with patients who have advanced cancer/ non-cancer diagnoses.

TOPICS INCLUDE:

Integration of Hospice and Palliative Care Into Comprehensive Health Care
Advanced Stage Disease Processes in Adult Patients: Cancer Diagnoses
Advanced Stage Disease Processes in Adult Patients: Non-cancer Diagnoses
Communication and Decision Making in Advanced Disease
Ethical Issues
Management of Cancer Pain
Opioid Equianalgesic Calculations Workshop
Management of Common Non-Pain Symptoms
Anxiety, Dementia and Delirium
Wound Management
Spiritual Care
Psychosocial Interventions
Last Hours
Bereavement
Complementary Therapy
Care for the Caregiver: Maintaining the Capacity to Care

OBJECTIVES:

At the completion of this course the participant will be able to:

1. Describe the role of Palliative and Hospice Care in the continuum of care for patients with advanced disease and their families.
2. Differentiate between normal and pathological grief.
3. Identify interventions to meet the psychosocial/ spiritual needs of patients with advanced disease and their caregivers.
4. Formulate a plan of care to meet the physical symptoms associated with advanced illness.

CONTACT HOURS: 17 (Approximation)

FEE: \$370