

2009 Home Study Courses

1. **Title:** Updates in the Management of Allergic Rhinitis and Conjunctivitis

Contact Hours: 4.0 (0.4 CEUs)

ACPE UPN: 001-000-09-010-H01-P

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Goals & Objectives: The primary goal of this knowledge-based course is to provide an update in the nonpharmacologic and pharmacologic management of allergic rhinitis and conjunctivitis. Upon completion of this course, pharmacists will be able to: describe the pathophysiology of allergic rhinitis & conjunctivitis; distinguish between the different classifications of allergic rhinitis and recognize conditions that can be considered in the differential diagnosis; identify non-pharmacologic treatment options for the management of allergic rhinitis and conjunctivitis; describe specific therapeutic characteristics of drug treatment options for allergic rhinitis and conjunctivitis; formulate a treatment plan and identify appropriate patient education points based on treatment guidelines and patient specific factors.

2. **Title:** Incorporating Management and Law into Pharmacy Practice: Practical Tips for Pharmacists

Contact Hours: 4.0 (0.4 CEUs)

ACPE UPN: 001-000-09-013-H03-P

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Goals & Objectives: The goal of this knowledge-based course is to provide each pharmacist a better understanding and working knowledge of relevant management principles and employment laws as they apply to various areas of pharmacy practice. Furthermore, this course will attempt to utilize recent case examples (including court cases) to aid the participant in appraising his/her practice setting for potential areas of improvement, and if improvement is warranted, to assist each participant in making the necessary changes. After successful completion of this course, the pharmacist should be able to: describe the role of management in pharmacy practice, regardless of practice setting; recognize the legal implications involved with interviewing, hiring, firing and conducting performance evaluations; illustrate appropriate ways of handling an employee pharmacist who makes a medication error; identify workplace pitfalls that lead to a potential discrimination lawsuit.

3. Title: A Review of Recently Approved Drugs

Contact Hours: 4.0 (0.4 CEUs)

ACPE UPN 001-000-09-012-H01-P

Author: Carroll L. Ramos, R.Ph., Ph.D., Professor of Pharmacology, Southwestern Oklahoma State University College of Pharmacy

Goals & Objectives: The primary goal of this knowledge-based course is to provide pharmacists with a concise review of recently approved drug products with an emphasis on practice-oriented information for new molecular entities, new products containing existing agents, and new biologics. For each new drug product, the pharmacist should be able to: identify the pharmacological and/or therapeutic classification; describe the approved indication; recognize the basic mechanism of action; describe common adverse effects; recognize clinically relevant drug interactions; illustrate important patient information; recognize an appropriate dosage regimen.

4. Title: The Role of Nonprescription Products in Pain Management

Contact Hours: 4.0 (0.4 CEUs)

ACPE UPN 001-000-09-011-H01-P

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Goals & Objectives: Upon completion of this knowledge-based course, the pharmacist will be able to: recognize various pain-producing conditions that are amenable to self-therapy, such as headache, muscular injury and tendon damage, and differentiate them from conditions requiring physician care; recognize the various decision points at which patients should be referred to a physician; determine which nonprescription products and devices are appropriate for self-therapy; appropriately counsel patients when recommending nonprescription products and devices for pain.

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