Hospice Foundation of America’s Program

CURRENT ISSUES IN PAIN MANAGEMENT AND END-OF-LIFE CARE
Self-Study ONLINE Course

DESCRIPTION
Using a case study approach, this webinar will address pain management at the end-of-life, including issues surrounding the use of opioids, communication with patients and families, regulations, policy implications, and drug monitoring systems.

PROGRAM DETAILS
Hospice Foundation of America has taken its popular webinar program and created a self-study course for professionals. The online presentation features experienced professionals offering their own expertise on the topic. On the screen, you will see the slide presentation and will be able to hear the experts talking and presenting.

RELEASE DATE: Program originally premiered February 20, 2018
ON DEMAND: to registered individuals for 1 year after purchase
LENGTH: 90 minutes
CE HOURS: 1.5 hours for a wide variety of professional boards
CE FEE: One CE certificate is included in the cost of registration. Additional certificates (if selecting more than one board) are $10 each.
CONTENT LEVEL: The program is mainly for professionals already working in the field, but is practical for all levels of education – entry level, intermediate or advanced.
TARGET AUDIENCE: The course is useful to Health care clinicians, social service clinicians and others working in the hospice, palliative care, counseling, hospital, nursing home, funeral home or faith community environments

HOW THE ONLINE SELF-STUDY PROGRAM WORKS
Step 1 - Register/purchase the course
Step 2 - View the course online through the link in your confirmation email or in your account.
Step 3 - Follow the instructions provided to receive your CE certificate*.
*An evaluation and a short exam are a part of this process.

TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS
To view this online program, you will need a computer and screen, reliable internet access, and speakers. Please test your system ahead of time to ensure you have the capabilities to view and hear the program. Mobile service provider charges may apply.

TEST LINK for Audio and Video:
http://hospicefoundation.org/Professionals/All-Programs/All-Self-Studies/Video-Test-Page

REGISTRATION INFORMATION/FEES
Register directly online, on HFA’s website: www.hospicefoundation.org. To have a registration form mailed to you, contact HFA at 800-854-3402 or by email at educate@hospicefoundation.org.

For current prices, please refer to HFA’s website at www.hospicefoundation.org.

There are no refunds on registration. *Few exceptions may occur depending on the circumstance. To request a refund, a written request must be received (and granted) by HFA.
REGISTRATION POLICY

INDIVIDUAL REGISTRATION
Provides one person, the registrant, access to the self-study course for personal viewing.

MULTIPLE VIEWER REGISTRATION
Provides one person, the registrant, access to the webcast for streaming from one computer to a group of people. Program access fees remain the same; CEs are included in course fees for the registered user and are $12 per additional participant per course. Please note that self-study courses accommodate individual learners only unless prior arrangements are made through HFA for additional certificates. Contact HFA at 202-457-5811 or email us at educate@hospicefoundation.org to register the additional participants.

MATERIALS AREA
Course materials are accessible to all registered individuals immediately after registering. Program materials are available on HFA's website at https://hospicefoundation.org/Shop-HFA/My-Account. From here, click on "Orders/Courses." Materials contain the full-length video, CE instructions, the program's slides, and additional program material. Information will be posted to your account as they become available.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES
At the conclusion of this program, participants will be able to:
1. Discuss assessment and management for challenging pain cases
2. List key state and federal policies and guidelines regarding opioid use and abuse
3. List key hospice assessment and management activities for patients at risk of opioid abuse

PROGRAM OUTLINE
1. Background (10 minutes)
   a. Speaker introductions
   b. Brief discussion of key principles of pain assessment and management
   c. Brief background regarding opioid abuse and policy responses to it
2. Case 1- Mr. HG (25 minutes)
   a. Case background
      i. 72 yo smoker with metastatic lung cancer
      ii. History of IVDA, was methadone patient but now unable to go to program
      iii. Daughter acknowledged he's using heroin again
      iv. Hospital course
         1. Admitted for pain management
         2. Oncology had no further treatment to offer, recommended hospice
         3. Patient discharged to hospice on 3-day supply of opioids and naloxone prescription
   b. Case policy implications
      i. Opioid abuse concerns
         1. CDC pain management guidelines
         2. 2016 Comprehensive Addiction and Recovery Act (CARA) key provisions
         3. Naloxone protocols
         4. Hospice and cancer patients excluded from current policies, growing reluctance to prescribe opioids related to abuse fears
   c. Hospice potential actions in this case
      i. Pain control with legal opioids
      ii. Confirm patient's dose/compliance with previous methadone program
      iii. Drug agreement/contract
      iv. Limited day supply of opioids and/or lock-box in home
      v. Involvement of full IDT for support
3. Case 2- Ms. RM (20 minutes)
   a. Case background
i. 66 yo with serous carcinoma of peritoneum, now malignant ascites
ii. Multiple symptoms: complex pain, recurrent pressure with urge to defecate (tenesmus), xerostomia, dysgeusia, anorexia, nocturnal myoclonus and bladder spasms

b. Pain assessment/management process
i. Initial opioid pain regimen alone not successful
ii. Opioids rotated, adjuvant added

c. Hospice potential actions in this case
i. Provide expert pain management
ii. Emotional/social support in addition to symptom management
iii. Involvement of full IDT

4. Case 3- Ms. ST (20 minutes)
   a. Case background
      i. 65 yo with stage 4 CHF and chronic back/arthritis pain
      ii. On high opioid doses for chronic pain for 2 years
      iii. Referred to home hospice from cardiology clinic as no VAD or transplant options
   b. Case policy implications
      i. Concerns about potential abuse in patients with chronic pain/need high opioid doses
      ii. Substance abuse screening tools
      iii. State pharmacy/drug registries
      iv. Hospice EMR and internal education/policies
   c. Hospice potential actions in this case
      i. Screen for opioid/substance abuse using validated tool
      ii. Consult state drug registry to confirm prescribing/dispensing history
      iii. Monitor hospice opioid use and implement drug agreement/urine testing if warranted
      iv. Involvement of full IDT for support

5. Conclusion (10 minutes)
   a. Pain management challenging in some hospice cases
   b. Requires pain management and support expertise, full IDT involvement
   c. Policy and regulatory implications going forward

6. Question and Answer Session (5-10 minutes)

CONTINUING EDUCATION

This program is available for 1.5 credits of continuing education. CE credits are available to the registered participant online (after completing the course). One CE certificate is included in the cost of registration. Additional certificates (if selecting more than one board) are $10 each. A complete list of board approvals for this course is posted to HFA’s website (at www.hospicefoundation.org).

COURSE COMPLETION REQUIREMENTS

Participants must view the entire 90-minute program (online-streaming video). Partial credit is not awarded. Participants must also complete the entire CE process online, before the CE deadline (1 year after purchase of course). In order to go online, two codes will be issued to you and verified online; a Site # (same as your Order/Invoice #) and the Course Code (provided in your CE instruction sheet). The online CE process includes a required evaluation form and exam. The exam must be completed at 80% or above (the exam may be re-taken, if necessary). Attendees will be able to choose the board they wish to receive credit from (from Hospice Foundation of America’s list of board approvals*). Participants will then be able to print their CE certificate immediately after completing all CE requirements online (on HFA’s CE site at https://educate.hospicefoundation.org).

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EXPERT SPEAKERS
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