

The Advanced Series for Practicing Medical Professionals

Advanced Dysrhythmias

Contact Hours: 6.75 CE

Introduction

The recognition and treatment of complex dysrhythmias continues to be a frequently requested topic from practicing clinical nurses. According to some dysrhythmia experts, ventricular tachycardia is frequently under-diagnosed because of the tendency to try to prove aberration among health care professionals. This seminar incorporates rhythm recognition not only on rhythm strips, but also on the 12-lead ECG using the concepts of axis, concordance, and AV dissociation to help distinguish dysrhythmias. Simple explanations and easy methods of remembering are used to enhance retention of the material and enable the bedside nurse to apply it in everyday practice.

The rhythms covered include preexcitation, AV nodal reentry and circus movement tachycardia, ventricular tachycardia, aberration, and parasystoles. Etiologies and treatment aspects of each rhythm are also included. Participants should have a basic understanding of the 12-lead ECG prior to this session.

Objectives

1. Describe the physiology and clinical significance of electrical generation and conduction in cardiac tissue.
2. Verbalize an understanding of the potential treatment options in patients with advanced dysrhythmias.
3. Describe the impulse formation, ECG characteristics and clinical aspects of patients with complex dysrhythmias originating above the ventricles.
4. Verbalize the ability to recognize the characteristics of complex ventricular dysrhythmias and clinical aspects to consider with the rhythms.



Recent seminar participants had this to say about “Advanced Dysrhythmias”:



“Very interesting class. This will really help me to identify abnormal rhythms and take better care of my patients.”

“I understand some of the ways to now distinguish the different types of dysrhythmias. The class gave me some tools to evaluate ECGs and the complex rhythms.”

“I could take this session once a year to reinforce this complex topic.”

“Clarified many questions that I have had about advanced rhythms. Thanks!”

“Excellent instructor! Extraordinary clinical knowledge with the ability to answer questions in a way that makes understanding easy.”



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