

Care of Medical and Surgical Patients In the Clinical Setting

The Pulmonary System

Contact Hours: 6.75 CE



Introduction

Caring for pulmonary patients can be very challenging and rewarding. Subtle changes in clinical conditions warn health professionals of impending problems. This full day seminar addresses the pulmonary system in depth. Anatomy and physiology, pathophysiology, pharmacology and diagnostic testing are used to explore many of the disease states commonly seen in clinical practice. Multiple case studies are presented to assist the participant in correlating assessment parameters with lab monitoring and ABG values, pharmacologic interventions, and outcome monitoring.

The clinical manifestations and treatment of the following will be covered:

- Pneumonia
- Asthma
- Pulmonary embolism
- Emphysema
- Acute and chronic bronchitis
- Lung cancer
- Tuberculosis
- Respiratory failure
- Pleural effusions
- Pneumothorax

Objectives

1. Discuss the anatomy and physiology of the respiratory system.
2. Describe the normal and abnormal assessment parameters that could be present in patients with pulmonary disorders.
3. Verbalize an understanding of various therapy measures used to treat pulmonary patients including pharmacologic measures.
4. Demonstrate a beginning understanding and ability to analyze ABGs.
5. Differentiate between the various alterations in pulmonary function in terms of pathophysiology, signs and symptoms, and management.
6. Correlate the history, assessment findings, diagnostic tests, and treatment measures in patients with alterations in pulmonary function.

**Recent seminar participants had this to say about
“The Pulmonary System”.**



“Excellent session. All the information really reinforced the signs, symptoms, and treatments of patients with respiratory problems.”

“Instructor was very good, interesting, and knowledgeable. Great at explaining ABGs so I can understand them!”

“The seminar gave an excellent review of the respiratory conditions frequently seen in the hospital. I am more aware of things to watch for even though being an experienced nurse, I felt I knew quite a bit before this session. I really liked the incorporation of lab values and ABGs.”



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