NEW FOR 2007! CURRENT AND FUTURE TRENDS IN THE NURSING MANAGEMENT OF POST-OP CARDIOTHORACIC SURGERY PATIENTS

This advanced-level seminar is designed for ACLS-certified critical care nurses in CardioThoracic ICU’s, Surgical ICU’s and other specialty and high acuity settings who are caring for patients who have undergone major cardiothoracic surgery. The focus will be on an in-depth presentation of current and future trends in the nursing management of critically ill patients in the immediate post-op period, including PACU and acute care settings. Program emphasis is on nursing management of patients following cardiac surgeries such as coronary artery bypass graft (CABG), valve repairs, aortic aneurysm repairs, placement of Left Ventricular Assist Devices (LVADS), and treatment with Extracorporeal Membrane Oxygenation Machine (ECMO), as well as thoracic surgeries such as lobectomy, pneumonectomy and wedge resection, esophagogastrectomy, and Video Assisted Lung and Chest Surgery (VATS).

Content to be included: comprehensive cardiovascular assessment for non-invasive hemodynamic monitoring; invasive hemodynamic monitoring including arterial catheters, central venous catheters, and pulmonary artery catheters such as the Swan-Gantz; heart assist devices such as a LVAD or ECMO; complications related to invasive hemodynamic monitoring and/or heart assist devices; pharmacotherapeutics including pain management in the immediate post-op period; and patient and family teaching in the acute care setting for post cardiothoracic surgery patients. Woven throughout will be legal aspects of caring for post-op CT patients, including documentation.

DATE: Friday 3/30/07
TIME: 9:00 am – 4:30 pm
CONTACT HOURS: 6.5
PLACE: Pleasantville Campus
EARLY BIRD FEE: $149 if registered and paid at least 14 days before the session begins
REGULAR FEE: $175 if registered and paid less than 14 days before the session begins

Special Group Rate: Put together a group of RNs who care for post-op CT surgery patients from your institution for only $125 per person for groups of 4 or more who register and pay together!

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