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COURSE DATES: August 25 – 26, 2011, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

LOCATION:

Classroom

Anderson Regional Cancer Center

1704 23rd Ave, Meridian, MS 39301

INSTRUCTORS:

Shelley C. Rucker, BS, RN, OCN

Michelle Williams RN, MSN, OCN

General Information

The Oncology Nursing Society's (ONS) Chemotherapy and Biotherapy Course provides a comprehensive review of the knowledge needed to administer cytotoxic and biotherapeutic agents.

Upon successful completion of the course, post-test and course evaluation registered nurses will receive an ONS Chemotherapy and Biotherapy Provider Card. This card validates the participant has the theoretical foundation needed to administer cytotoxic and biotherapeutic agents. The card is valid for two years.

Course Objectives

Upon completion of the course, the participant will be able to:

1. Identify various therapeutic modalities used to treat cancer with emphasis on chemotherapy and biotherapy.
2. Describe the investigational process all drugs undergo to gain approval for use.
3. Review ethical and legal issues related to cancer therapy.
4. Identify factors affecting response to cancer therapy.
5. Identify selected commonly used agents, their mechanisms of action, and any unique

administration issues.

6. Discuss safety precautions necessary when handling cytotoxic agents.
7. Review chemotherapy dose calculations and practice examples.
8. Identify nursing procedures and interventions for administering cytotoxic and biologic agents.
9. Discuss two immediate complications of cancer therapy, extravasation and hypersensitivity, and the nursing measures required to prevent and/or reduce these complications.
10. Identify selected systematic side effects of cytotoxic and biotherapeutic agents and the nursing interventions required to manage these side effects.
11. Review specific patient and family education that may prevent and/or reduce the impact of systemic side effects.

Registration Information: Mail application and course fee to Wayne Herrington, at Anderson Regional Cancer Center, 1704 23rd Ave., Meridian, MS 39301

Registration Deadline: August 5, 2011.

Course Fee: $250.00

The course fee includes: all course materials, copy of the *Chemotherapy and Biotherapy Guidelines and Recommendation for Practice, 3rd Ed.*, and Continuing Nursing Education Credits. Lunch and refreshments are provided both days.

Target Audience:

Participants must be licensed registered nurses who have been employed as such for a minimum of six months. This course content is appropriate for nurses who are new to chemotherapy administration, as well as for those who want a comprehensive review.

Continuing Nursing Education Credit:

ONS will award 13.5 contact hours to nurses who attend this program in its entirety.

ONS is accredited as a provider of continuing nursing education by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation.

ONS is approved as a provider of continuing nursing education by the California State Board of Registered Nursing, Provider No. 2850.

Cancellation/Refund Policy: The registration fee minus a $16.00 processing fee will be refunded if cancellation is made 3 days in advance of the course start date.

Additional Information:

The ONS Chemotherapy and Biotherapy Course is NOT a certification course, and is not intended to measure competency. Individual institutions are responsible for determining their own requirements for assessing clinical competency.

If you have questions, please contact: Sybil Kamper at 604-482-1555 or Wayne Herrington at 601-485-5081