

Promotional: Nursing Assessment and Care: Heart Failure

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Requirements:

For successful completion of this educational activity and receipt of 1.0 contact hour(s), the learner must:

- 1. Participate in 60 minutes of continuous learning.
- 2. Complete a guiz with a minimum score of 85%.
- 3. Complete an evaluation form.

Educational activity description:

Heart failure (HF) is the leading cause of readmission to hospitals for older adults in LTC. Nurses caring for a person with a history of HF be able to recognize the signs and symptoms and intervene quickly if a person's symptoms are worsening. This educational activity for nurses will examine early recognition of worsening heart failure, documentation guidelines and prevention strategies.

Target audience:

The target audience for this educational activity is nurses in the long-term care setting and other interested nurses. This is an advanced level educational activity. Information is geared to practitioners with a comprehensive understanding of the subject matter based on current theories and standards of practice as well as current literature and research. The focus is on recent advances and trends, and/or research applications

Learning outcome:

At the completion of this educational activity, the learner will demonstrate knowledge about caring for a person with heart failure by passing a quiz with a score of 85% or greater accuracy.

Learning objectives:

At the completion of this educational activity, the learner will be able to:

- 1. Identify two (2) risk factors that increase the probability of developing heart failure (HF).
- 2. List two (2) components of assessment data that may indicate worsening of HF.
- 3. Identify two (2) treatment interventions appropriate for the person with HF.

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EXPIRATION: The expiration date for this educational activity is May 8, 2028. No contact hours will be awarded to participants who fail to submit evaluation forms. Please contact Healthcare Academy with questions.

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