

Promotional: Overview of Major Medications: Nervous and Cardiovascular Systems

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Requirements:

For successful completion of this educational activity and receipt of 0.5 contact hour(s), the learner must:

- 1. Participate in 30 minutes of continuous learning. Course time is calculated using the Mergener Formula.
- 2. Complete a quiz with a minimum score of 85%.
- 3. Complete an evaluation form.

Educational activity description:

Safe medication administration is an important part of person-centered care. Because medications to treat nervous system and cardiovascular system disorders are common in the long-term care setting, nurses and medication aides/assistants need to be familiar with these classes of medications. This educational activity provides an overview of common medications that may be seen by those administering medications in this setting.

Target audience:

The target audience for this learning activity is nurses, medication aides, and medication techs across long-term care settings and other interested learners. This is an intermediate level educational activity. Information is geared to practitioners with a general working knowledge of current practice trends and literature related to the subject matter. The focus is on increasing understanding and competent application of the subject matter.

Readability/Reading Level:

The readability/reading level of this course is 11th-12th grade.

Learning outcome:

At the completion of this educational activity, the learner will demonstrate foundational knowledge of the major classes of medications related to the nervous and cardiovascular systems 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. Select three (3) indications for use of medications affecting the cardiovascular system.
- 2. Identify two (2) adverse effects of medications used to treat hypertension.
- 3. Choose three (3) adverse effects of medications affecting the nervous system.

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Participants will be required to complete the entire educational activity, quiz, and evaluation form. There will be no endorsements of products or off-label use.

There are no relevant financial relationships for any individual in a position to control the content of this activity.

EXPIRATION: The expiration date for this educational activity is July 31, 2027. No contact hours will be awarded to participants who fail to submit evaluation forms. Please contact Healthcare Academy with questions.