



Prescribing Practices and Management of Pain and Substance Use Disorder Course Agenda

Course Day 1

8:00 AM: Registration
8:30 – 10:30 AM:

Pre-Test
Introduction
Proper indications for prescribing
Choosing the medication
Requirement of adequate prior examination
Identifying contra-indications before prescribing
Identifying potential medication interactions before prescribing
Non-prescription (over-the-counter) drugs

10:30 – 10:45 AM: BREAK

10:45 AM – 12:30 PM:

Herbal remedy interactions
Food interactions
Alcohol interactions
Pharmacokinetics
Pharmacodynamics

12:30 – 1:30 PM: LUNCH ON YOUR OWN

1:30 – 3:30 PM:

Dosing errors

Informed consent for medications

Instructions to patients on medications

Medication warnings for patients

Safe monitoring of patients

3:30 – 3:45 PM: BREAK

3:45 – 5:30 PM:

Preventing, identifying and managing medication non-compliance

Collaborative care

Terminating care of a patient on medication

Controlled substances prescribing requirements

5:30 PM: ADJOURN

Course Day 2

8:30 – 10:30 AM:

Treating addicted patients

Drug-seeking patients

Substance-abusing patients

Fraudulent prescriptions

10:30 – 10:45 AM: BREAK

10:45 AM – 12:30 PM:

Prescribing excessive quantities of medications

Clinician storage and dispensing of controlled substances

Chronic pain diagnosis

Chronic pain medication treatment

Chronic pain syndrome

12:30 – 1:30 PM: LUNCH ON YOUR OWN

1:30 – 3:30 PM:

Management of chronic insomnia

Classes of medications associated with increased risk

Medications prescribed for psychoactive effects

3:30 – 3:45 PM: BREAK

3:45 – 5:30 PM:

Prescribing function-enhancing medications

Internet medication prescribing

Internet medication purchases by patients

5:30 PM: ADJOURN

Course Day 3

8:30 – 10:30 AM:

Aiding and abetting of unlicensed practice

Prescribing by supervised nurse practitioners and physician assistants

Formulary conflicts

Acceptable off-label medication prescribing

Deviations from pharmaceutical manufacturers' recommendations

Sources of information for prescribing medications

Illegible, ambiguous and contradictory medication orders

10:30 – 10:45 AM: BREAK

10:45 AM: – 12:45 PM:

Verbal orders, standing orders and PRN orders

Self-prescribing by clinicians

Prescribing for family members or friends

Common bases for actions by regulatory agencies relating to medications

Post-Test

12:45 PM: ADJOURN