

EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

EVENTS

AORN Surgical Conference & Expo 2016: Thriving Through Transformation, April 2-6, 2016, Anaheim, CA

AORN's Surgical Conference & Expo will be held in Anaheim, CA, the heart of sunny southern California. It will provide more than 65 education sessions designed to generate ideas and provoke new thinking, full access to the expansive exhibit hall filled with amazing vendors, information on the latest technology and trends, and fabulous events and networking opportunities with more than 4,000 colleagues from around the world. Visit <http://www.aorn.org/surgicalexpo/> for more information.

TeamSTEPPS Master Training Course, April 1-2, 2016, Anaheim, CA

Join us for the two-day TeamSTEPPS Master Training Course. This evidence-based program will teach you strategies, techniques, and tools to teach others in your facility this teamwork system to improve patient safety and communication. The TeamSTEPPS system has been used in health care for more than 20 years. When you leave this two-day course, you will receive a set of ready-to-use materials and a training curriculum designed for you to successfully teach and integrate teamwork principles into practice. Your materials will include fundamentals modules in text and presentation format, a pocket guide that corresponds with the essential version of the course, video vignettes to illustrate key concepts, and a supporting DVD on change management, coaching, and implementation. TeamSTEPPS provides higher-quality and safer patient care by producing highly effective health care teams that optimize the use of information, people, and resources to achieve the best clinical outcomes for patients and their families; increasing team awareness and clarifying team roles and responsibilities; resolving conflicts and improving information sharing; and eliminating barriers to quality and safety. This course is worth 13 continuing education (CE) contact hours. For more information and registration, please visit <http://www.aorn.org/teamstepps>.

AORN is the premier provider of continuing education for perioperative nurses. To ensure that you are registering for an AORN event, look for the AORN name and logo. If you are not sure whether an event is sponsored by AORN, call AORN Customer Service at (800) 755-2676.

Preconference Certificate Programs, April 1-2, 2016, Anaheim, CA

Receive more in-depth education during these intensive programs and return home brimming with confidence to do more, achieve more, and be more for your patients and facilities. Program titles include the Competency & Credentialing Institute's (CCI's) Fundamentals of OR Management, CCI's Interactive Workshop for Surgical Services Educators, TeamSTEPPS, CCI's Infection Prevention Essentials, Perioperative Medical Malpractice Mock Trial, Team-Based Literature Appraisal Tools, Understanding and Addressing Bullying Behavior, Perioperative Management of Trauma Patients, and the 7th Annual AORN International Summit. Get detailed course and speaker information at <https://www.aorn.org/preconference/>.

Leadership Development Summit, April 2-6, 2016, Anaheim, CA

Learn new skills, enhance existing ones, and network with peers and industry leaders at this event. Great for today's perioperative leaders and those new to the leadership role, the Leadership Development Summit will teach you the necessary skills and provide you with the resources required to be a successful and efficient leader. Register at http://www.aorn.org/Conference/Registration/Registration_Information.aspx.

OR Executive Summit, April 3-6, 2016, Anaheim, CA

AORN's OR Executive Summit, the premier conference for the perioperative professional, brings together a highly tuned mix of the brightest and most well-respected leaders in the industry. During the summit, you'll have the opportunity to learn, share ideas, and collaborate with your peers about the most pressing issues currently facing our industry. Attendees of this conference can expect to leave Anaheim with a renewed sense of purpose, innovative ideas, vital resources, a stronger network, and creative thought leadership from industry leaders. Register at http://www.aorn.org/Conference/Registration/Registration_Information.aspx.

Ambulatory Surgery Center (ASC)- Specific Track, April 3-6, 2016, Anaheim, CA

Stay current with issues specific to ambulatory surgery. This ambulatory-specific track is designed for the perioperative RN

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working in a freestanding or office-based surgery center. Highlighting just a few of the sessions, they will include education on infection prevention to meet Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) requirements, safe administration of moderate sedation, how to do a meaningful quality improvement project, creating a culture of safety, improving safety in office-based surgery, and setting up a successful spine surgery program in your ASC. For more information, visit <http://www.aorn.org/surgicalexp>.

Administrator Skills Course (Formerly Known as the Ambulatory Administrator Boot Camp)

Gain the business skills to run a successful ASC with AORN's unique learning program. The program includes a three-day face-to-face educational event followed by a four-month online course designed to give you the resources and information needed to lead a profitable and successful center. The program is designed in part to help prepare you for the CASC certification. New dates for the courses in 2016 are April 27-29, June 22-24, and November 2-4. Visit <https://www.aorn.org/BootCamp/> to learn more and register.

PREPARING FOR THE CNOR EXAMINATION ONLINE PROGRAM

This recently updated online program prepares RNs to sit for and pass the CNOR certification examination. There is a money-back guarantee for the course. This course will strengthen participants' knowledge of the AORN guidelines and perioperative nursing care. Test-taking strategies will help participants prepare for test day and alleviate anxiety. Participants have four months from the time of registration to complete the self-paced online program. Participants receive access to the online *AORN Guidelines for Perioperative Practice* for the duration of the course. Completing the course will allow you to earn 49 CE contact hours. For more information or to register, visit <http://www.aorn.org/PrepForCNOR>.

CERTIFICATE IN THE FUNDAMENTALS OF EVIDENCE-BASED PRACTICE

This online learning module is designed to educate RNs and other interested health care professionals about the basics of evidence-based practice. This activity includes a pre-test, 10 short modules, and a post-test. This step-by-step learning format is designed to assist RNs in implementing evidence-based practices to promote patient safety and optimal outcomes for all patients. All RNs would benefit from this fundamentals course, which provides 1.8 CE contact hours. For more information, visit <http://www.aorn.org/ebpfundamentals/>.

NURSING PROGRAMS

Fundamentals of Perioperative Practice: Program for Nursing Curricula

AORN advocates for the inclusion of learning activities in the perioperative setting in all undergraduate professional nursing curricula. This online 10-module fundamentals course has been designed specifically for inclusion in generic nursing programs. AORN believes that the perioperative setting is a prime area where the nursing process can be applied. These learning activities can be integrated into existing curricula of nursing programs and contribute to desired end-of-program outcomes. The perioperative setting is an area in which there is a tremendous emphasis on patient safety, so it presents numerous opportunities to explore human factors and communication theories.

The fundamentals course provides a well-defined foundation of perioperative nursing concepts and gives students basic information about aseptic technique and teamwork that can be translated into many clinical experiences using 10 modules from AORN's Periop 101: A Core Curriculum. For additional information or to purchase, please contact Terry Avitable, MSN, RN, CNOR, at 800-755-2676 x 211 or by e-mail at tavitable@aorn.org or visit <http://www.aorn.org/Periop101/fundamentals>.

PERIOP 101: A CORE CURRICULUM

Periop 101: A Core Curriculum is a comprehensive, online certificate program for educating new perioperative nurses that provides 41.7 CE contact hours for the revised course. The updated curriculum covers 27 pertinent topics and is designed to be integrated with a facility's specific policies and procedures in a clinical practicum and preceptorship. Use of Periop 101 will help develop confident, better-educated, safety-conscious, entry-level perioperative nurses. For pricing information and a demonstration of the course, visit <http://www.aorn.org/Periop101>. Periop 101 modules also can be purchased individually. Learn more at <http://www.aorn.org/PeriopModules>. Targeted programs include the following:

- Periop 101: A Core Curriculum for ASCs. For more information, visit <http://www.aorn.org/ASCperiop101>.
- Periop 101: A Core Curriculum for OB RN Circulators. For more information, visit <http://www.aorn.org/Periop101/obrn>.
- Periop 101: A Core Curriculum for PAs/Residents/Medical Students. For more information, visit <http://www.aorn.org/Periop101/corecurriculum>.

PERIOP MASTERY PROGRAM

Improve learning and retention of perioperative personnel while reducing patient risk. Perioperative mastery modules use

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