# **EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES**

#### **EVENTS**

# AORN Global Surgical Conference & Expo, March 24-28, 2018, New Orleans, LA

Registration now open! Learn about the latest research, best practices, and innovative ideas coming out of the surgical suite at AORN's annual educational conference. This premier event offers a robust program with expert speakers, hands-on training, and hundreds of contact hours. Learning will extend beyond the classroom to the exhibit hall, which will have the latest perioperative trends, surgical products, and technologies. Plus, hear from poster presenters about breakthrough ideas, actions, and evidence-based research affecting perioperative nursing. Learn more at <a href="https://www.aorn.org/surgicalexpo.">https://www.aorn.org/surgicalexpo.</a>

#### PREP FOR CNOR

AORN supports members' and nonmembers' personal and professional goals to achieve CNOR certification, as recognized in the *AORN Position Statement on Perioperative Nursing Certification*. AORN's *Guidelines for Perioperative Practice* is the primary reference for the CNOR exam. AORN now offers two options for perioperative RNs:

### Prep for CNOR Live: New Program

AORN chapter presidents and health care organization representatives can request to host this program, and AORN will bring a perioperative nursing expert to teach a weekend event. AORN chapters hosting this event will meet an AORN chapter accountability standard for providing continuing nursing education to perioperative RNs. Included in registration for participants are two online assessments, the weekend event, a USB drive containing the current *AORN Guidelines for Perioperative Practice*, and—after completing the course requirements—17.4 contact hours. Learn more about this program, and submit requests to bring the program to your city by visiting <a href="https://www.aorn.org/events/prep-for-cnor-live">https://www.aorn.org/events/prep-for-cnor-live</a>.

# Prep for CNOR Online

Our online prep course uses and includes access to the current AORN Guidelines for Perioperative Practice. Our fact- and

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scenario-based questions test your ability to think critically and provide an extensive review of perioperative practice. After completing the course requirements, participants will be able to receive 49 contact hours. Pass the exam, or your money back, guaranteed. Alleviate your test anxiety, and purchase Prep for CNOR Online today by visiting <a href="http://www.aorn.org/education/prep-for-cnor">http://www.aorn.org/education/prep-for-cnor</a>.

The Prep for CNOR Live program and Prep for CNOR Online program are designed strictly to be used as review and preparation for the CNOR exam. AORN does not administer the CNOR exam; the CNOR exam is administered by the Competency and Credentialing Institute. Candidates for the CNOR exam must meet the eligibility requirements as defined by the Competency and Credentialing Institute.

### PERIOP 101 EDUCATION SOLUTIONS

Periop 101: A Core Curriculum is a comprehensive, blended educational program developed by AORN's expert perioperative nurse authors. Periop 101 is based on AORN's latest evidence-based *Guidelines for Perioperative Practice*. It combines standardized, evidence-based online curriculum and textbook readings with hands-on skills labs and a clinical practicum led by experienced perioperative nurses.

Periop 101 includes the graduate-level QSEN competencies. This course is for all novice perioperative nurses, including new graduates, nurses transitioning into the perioperative suite from other nursing specialties, and other surgical team members. For more information, visit <a href="https://www.aorn.org/P101">https://www.aorn.org/P101</a>.

# Periop 101: A Core Curriculum OB

Periop 101 OB is an OB-specific curriculum that uses a blended learning model incorporating online didactic content, skills-based labs, and a clinical preceptorship focused on care of the obstetrical surgical patient. The program was developed by AORN's expert perioperative nurse authors and is based on AORN's latest evidence-based *Guidelines for Perioperative Practice*.

The course includes the graduate-level QSEN competencies. Periop 101 OB is for all novice OB nurses, including new graduates, nurses transitioning into the perioperative OB suite from other nursing specialties, and other surgical team members. For more information, visit <a href="https://www.aorn.org/P101">https://www.aorn.org/P101</a>.

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### Periop 101: A Core Curriculum ASC

Periop 101 ASC is an ambulatory surgery center—specific curriculum that uses a blended learning model incorporating online didactic content, skills-based labs, and a clinical preceptorship focused on challenges specific to the ASC environment. Developed by AORN's expert perioperative nurse authors, it is based on AORN's latest evidence-based *Guidelines for Perioperative Practice*.

Periop 101 ASC includes the graduate-level QSEN competencies. AORN recommends this course for all novice ASC perioperative nurses, including new graduates, nurses transitioning into the perioperative suite from other nursing specialties, and other surgical team members. For more information, visit <a href="https://www.aorn.org/P101">https://www.aorn.org/P101</a>.

# Fundamentals for Nursing School Programs

Today's nursing students have limited exposure to perioperative content and to clinical surgical settings. This course is designed for inclusion in general nursing programs to help educate student nurses on perioperative nursing concepts as part of their undergraduate experience. By partnering with local nursing schools, you can help prepare the next generation of perioperative nurses.

This course includes 11 modules and provides a well-defined foundation of perioperative nursing concepts. Students will learn aseptic techniques and teamwork that can be translated into clinical experiences. For more information, visit <a href="https://www.aorn.org/P101">https://www.aorn.org/P101</a>.

# Periop 101: A Core Curriculum for PAs, Residents, and Medical Students

This course is for physician assistants (PAs), residents, medical students, interns, advanced practice nurses, and other health care professionals new to the perioperative area. This specialized course is a comprehensive, blended educational program that was developed by AORN's expert perioperative nurse authors. It's based on AORN's latest evidence-based *Guidelines for Perioperative Practice*. This program combines a standardized, evidence-based online curriculum and textbook readings with hands-on skills labs and a clinical practicum led by experienced perioperative nurses. For more information, visit <a href="https://www.aorn.org/P101">https://www.aorn.org/P101</a>.

# **Preceptor Certificate Program**

AORN's Preceptor Certificate Program is designed to prepare preceptors for their critical role in orienting new

registered nurses to the perioperative environment. AORN's expert perioperative nurse authors have developed a three-module certificate program, which provides 4.0 contact hours, to assist preceptors in preparing for their role in acclimating novice perioperative nurses to this unique environment.

Course components include information on adult learning theories, novice-to-expert considerations, problem solving, validating competency, dealing with the health care reality shock, and the challenges of working with new graduates. For more information, visit <a href="https://www.aorn.org/P101">https://www.aorn.org/P101</a>.

### Remediation/Sentinel Event Modules

These modules address specific issues that may require additional attention. The 28 online modules address unanticipated events in the health care setting that can be challenging to remedy. Our customized modules on patient and worker safety, aseptic practice, equipment safety, patient care, and sterilization can help your facility remediate sentinel events effectively. For more information, visit <a href="https://www.aorn.org/P101">https://www.aorn.org/P101</a>.

### PERIOP MASTERY PROGRAM

When your experienced nurses retain and practice misinformation, these knowledge gaps can result in negative patient care. Reduce patient risk by identifying and eliminating confidently held misinformation through our innovative learning program. Standardize education for your experienced nurses with learning modules covering aseptic technique, sterilization and disinfection, patient and worker safety, and patient care. For more information or to request a demo, please visit <a href="https://www.aorn.org/periopmasteryprogram">https://www.aorn.org/periopmasteryprogram</a>.

#### ONBOARDING/ORIENTATION TOOLS

A successful onboarding/orientation process promotes patient safety, meets organizational goals, and provides the experienced perioperative RN with a professionally and personally desirable employment environment. Orientation providers—including educators, hiring managers, and staffing agencies—can administer these assessments, provide targeted education using the implementation tools to address identified gaps in the new-hire RN's knowledge of perioperative guidelines, and verify perioperative nursing competencies for newly hired, experienced perioperative RNs. These tools are available for individual purchase or as a facility subscription. For more information, visit <a href="https://www.aorn.org/onboardingtools">https://www.aorn.org/onboardingtools</a>.

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