

Educational Program Description and CE Information

The ASHP Patient-Care Impact Program 2008:

Improving Safe Use of Anticoagulant Therapy

Experiential training for pharmacists seeking to make a **significant impact** on the **care of patients** in their institution

A unique, **6-month certification program** for pharmacists which launches at the **2008 Summer Meeting** and concludes at the **43rd Midyear Clinical Meeting**

The 2008 ASHP Patient Care Impact Program is comprised of 6 components. Participants must complete all components to receive CE and a certificate of completion.

Part 1:

Monday, June 9

8:00 – 10:00 a.m.

THE NEW NATIONAL PATIENT SAFETY GOALS ON ANTICOAGULATION –

at the 2008 Summer Meeting

ACPE #204-000-08-104-L05P

(2.0 Contact Hours)

Description:

[This is an educational session open to all Summer Meeting attendees.]

The benefits of anticoagulation therapy continue to be recognized, with their use continually expanding. Anticoagulants, however, have fairly narrow therapeutic windows, and numerous variables exist that can influence responses to therapy and approaches to their use. As such, anticoagulants have been identified as a class of agents frequently associated with adverse medication events. The presence of dedicated individuals familiar with implementation and monitoring anticoagulation therapy, either in the inpatient or outpatient setting, has been shown to improve outcomes related to anticoagulation therapy. To reduce potential mishaps, the Joint Commission has added national patient safety goals for anticoagulation therapy, seeking implementation by institutions by the end of 2008. This program will explore approaches for administrators and clinical staff to recognize and successfully prepare to implement the national patient safety goals.

Objectives:

By the end of this program you will be able to:

1. Describe key aspects of the new National Patient Safety Goals (NPSG) on anticoagulation.
2. Describe examples of ways that have been successfully used to improve the safe use of anticoagulants.
3. Explain roles that pharmacists can play in improving the safe use of anticoagulants.

4. Identify challenges and strategies for resolving NPSG on anticoagulation to fulfill new requirements.

Faculty:

- Ann K. Wittkowsky, PharmD, FCCP, FASHP, Director, Anticoagulation Services, University of Washington Medical Center, Seattle, WA; Clinical Professor, University of Washington School of Pharmacy, Seattle, WA
- Edith A. Nutescu, PharmD, FCCP, Clinical Associate Professor and Director, Antithrombosis Center, University of Illinois at Chicago, College of Pharmacy, Chicago, IL
- Michael P. Gulseth, PharmD, BCPS, Assistant Professor, University of Minnesota College of Pharmacy, Duluth, Duluth, MN; Clinical Pharmacy Specialist, St. Mary's Medical Center, Duluth, MN
- Steve Meisel, PharmD, Director of Medication Safety, Fairview Health Services, Minneapolis, MN
- William E. Dager, PharmD, FCSHP, Pharmacist Specialist, University of California, Davis Medical Center, Sacramento, CA

Monday, June 9
2:00 – 5:00 p.m.

IMPROVING SAFE USE OF ANTICOAGULANTS – at the 2008 Summer Meeting
ACPE #204-000-08-108-L05P (3.0 Contact Hours)

Description:

[This is an educational session open to all Summer Meeting attendees.]

How can pharmacists be a part of the process of improving safe use of anticoagulants in both the inpatient and outpatient settings and at the patient and health-system level? Delve into the nitty-gritty in this session, which will focus on a range of ways to make a difference.

Objectives:

By the end of this program you will be able to:

1. Explain steps that you can take to ensure compliance with the new standards in your setting.
2. Identify strategies that you can apply in your setting for improving the safe use of anticoagulants.

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- John Grubbs, MS RPH, Director of Pharmacy, UC Davis Medical Center, Sacramento, CA; Assistant Dean of Clinical Pharmacy, UCSF School of Pharmacy, San Francisco, CA

- Laura Marie Traynor, PharmD, BCPS, Assistant Professor, University of Minnesota College of Pharmacy, Duluth, Duluth, MN; Pharmacist, Mercy Hospital and Healthcare Center, Moose Lake, MN
- Michael P. Gulseth, PharmD, BCPS, Assistant Professor, University of Minnesota College of Pharmacy, Duluth, Duluth, MN; St. Mary's Medical Center, Duluth, MN
- Sarah A. Spinler, PharmD, BCPS, Professor of Clinical Pharmacy, University of the Sciences in Philadelphia, Philadelphia, PA
- Steve Meisel, PharmD, Director of Medication Safety, Fairview Health Services, Minneapolis, MN
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Part 2:

Monday, June 9

11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. (tentative)

PROJECT PLANNING SESSION – at the 2008 Summer Meeting

ACPE #204-000-08-040-L05P (1.5 Contact Hours)

Description:

In this session for participants and mentors only, participants will discuss with their peers and mentors the overall goal for their project, next steps, and foreseeable challenges.

Objectives:

By the end of this session you will be able to:

1. Select and define individual projects to be conducted in work sites.
2. Identify anticipated challenges to implementation of the project.
3. Define strategies for effectively managing the anticipated challenges.

Faculty:

- Michael P. Gulseth, PharmD, BCPS, Assistant Professor, University of Minnesota College of Pharmacy, Duluth, Duluth, MN; St. Mary's Medical Center, Duluth, MN
- William E. Dager, PharmD, FCSHP, Pharmacist Specialist, University of California, Davis Medical Center, CA

Part 3:

June 12 – December 4

PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION – ongoing, independent work

ACPE #204-000-08-041-L05P (11.5 Contact Hours)

Description:

During this period between the Summer and Midyear Clinical Meetings, participants will work at their sites to implement their projects. Mentors will work closely with participants via email and/or telephone.

Objectives:

By the end of this program you will be able to:

1. Develop a proposal for a project that will address a specific aspect of improving safe use of anticoagulants in your institution, based on one or more of the 2008 National Patient Safety Goals.
2. Obtain approval and support from appropriate institutional oversight groups for your project.
3. Develop an implementation plan for your project.
4. Implement your project or a phase or aspect of the project that can be accomplished within the program's 6-month span.
5. Develop a quality assurance method to monitor the effectiveness of your project.

Part 4:

July 15, August 15, September 15, October 15, November 14 (tentative)

12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. (tentative)

MONTHLY STATUS AND PROBLEM-SOLVING SESSIONS

ACPE #204-000-08-042-L05P (5.0 Contact Hours)

Description:

During monthly teleconferences, participants will report the status of their work and receive feedback from mentors and fellow participants.

Objectives:

By the end of this program you will be able to:

1. Describe the status of your project including challenges and strategies used to manage the challenges.
2. Identify and define strategies for improvement for projects of fellow participants.

Part 5:

December 9 (tentative)

8:00 a.m. –10:00 a.m. (tentative)

POSTER SESSION - at the 43rd Midyear Clinical Meeting

(no ACPE credit offered for this component)

Description:

Participants will present their projects and work related to general meeting attendees of the Midyear Clinical Meeting.

Part 6:

December 8 (tentative)

3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. (tentative)

CHALLENGES AND SUCCESSES –at the 43rd Midyear Clinical Meeting

Program #204-000-08-043-L05P (2.0 Contact Hours)

Description:

In this session for mentors and participants only, participants will share the final results of their projects.

Objectives:

By the end of this session you will be able to:

1. Describe the benefits of your anticoagulation project to your institution and patients.
2. Provide suggestions for implementation of similar projects in other settings.
3. Summarize challenges and strategies for managing the challenges encountered in the planning and implementation of this project.



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TOTAL: 25 hours