UNIVERSITY OF LOUISIANA AT LAFAYETTE
College of Nursing & Allied Health Professions
Continuing Nursing Education Program

2015-2016
NURSING UPDATE SERIES

ACCREDITATION INFORMATION
University of Louisiana at Lafayette College of Nursing and Allied Health Professions is accredited as a provider of continuing nursing education by the American Nurses Credentialing Center’s Commission on Accreditation.

Unless indicated on individual brochures, all programs provide 5.0 Contact Hours. When appropriate, Contact Hours for APRNs will be indicated on the individual brochures.

Louisiana State Board of Nursing - Provider Number 9.

TARGET AUDIENCE
Offerings are designed for registered nurses. All healthcare providers are invited to attend if the content is of interest/benefit to their practice.

REGISTRATION
Early registration is recommended. Register using one of the following:
1) Email required information on registration form to: nursing_ce@louisiana.edu and submit check via mail or
2) Complete registration form on the back of this brochure or print and complete registration form included in email then submit form and check via mail.
(See back for payment and mailing information).

REFUND POLICY
Full refunds will be made on cancellations received by Monday prior to the date of a program. NO REFUNDS WILL BE MADE AFTER THIS TIME, FEE MAY BE APPLIED TO ANOTHER PROGRAM IF YOU CANCEL AT LEAST ONE DAY PRIOR TO THE PROGRAM.

CANCELLATION POLICY
The University reserves the right to cancel or reschedule a program due to conditions beyond its control. In the event there is an announced University closure due to weather or other emergencies, programming will be cancelled and an attempt to reschedule will be made. Pre-paid registrations will either be refunded or applied to future programming.

SUBSCRIBER INFORMATION
All personnel employed by the agencies subscribing to the Nursing Update Series are eligible to attend any of the nine (9) 2015-2016 offerings listed on this brochure. The cost to the participant will be a fee of $15.00 per program. Participants from subscriber agencies must check with their agency or nursing education office for attendance approval.

SPECIAL NEEDS
University of Louisiana at Lafayette will seek to accommodate persons with special needs (nursing mothers or disabilities) for these programs. If you have a special need which may require accommodations, please notify Continuing Nursing Education at (337) 482-6882 or email nursing_ce@louisiana.edu five (5) days in advance to make arrangements.

AUGUST 21, 2015 - Infectious Diseases: Healthcare Provider Update
Reports of the transmission of infectious diseases caused by a wide variety of bacteria, viruses, fungi, or parasites often dominate news headlines. As healthcare providers on the front lines, we must be armed with up-to-date, accurate information about infectious diseases. Experts at this program will provide us with the most recent evidence to prepare us to care for patients diagnosed with infectious diseases, including prevention strategies, signs and symptoms, and treatment modalities. We will also explore ethical and legal issues related to the treatment and prevention of infectious diseases and how to keep ourselves safe as healthcare providers.

SEPTEMBER 25, 2015 - Autoimmune Diseases Part II: Steps to Healing & Recovering Back by popular demand! Last year, our autoimmune program was extremely well-attended and we received many requests from participants for more in-depth information. In response, we have organized another fantastic line-up of presenters who will provide us with a more comprehensive look at the Functional Medicine approach to the treatment of autoimmune diseases such as lupus, multiple sclerosis, Hashimoto’s, and diabetes. Similar to last year, speakers will discuss a more “non-traditional” approach to autoimmune disease management including a discussion of the importance of our gut, hormones, genetics, and environmental factors. This is a must attend program!

OCTOBER 23, 2015 - Pharmacology Update (RN and APRN approved)
In the ever-changing, advancing field of pharmaceuticals, new research and developments occur at a rate which makes it virtually impossible for nurses to stay up-to-date with the latest medicinal regimens. At this program, we will focus on the most recent advances in pharmaceuticals for disease treatment in a variety of fields including cardiology, diabetes, and rheumatology. Speakers will present the latest evidence-based research which supports recent developments and how nurses should interpret and utilize the data. All 5 hours are approved for RNs and APRNs.

NOVEMBER 20, 2015 - Medical Genetics: Personalized Medicine in Today’s Healthcare
In 2003, the Human Genome Project was completed and, for the first time, gave scientists the ability to read a human being’s complete genetic profile. Since then, the term “medical genetics” has become more main stream and is a blend of the science of genetics and the practice of medicine. As partners to the field of medicine, it is our responsibility as nurses to understand and apply to patient care these cutting-edge practices. At this program, practitioners experienced in medical genetics will explore how the diagnosis of genetic expressions and disorders can lead to personalized medicine in the fields of cancer, birth defects, and psychiatric conditions just to name a few.

Registration begins at 7:30 am. Program time is 8:00 am until 2:45 pm unless otherwise noted.
There is available parking on site and the Petroleum Club full buffet lunch is optional for $18.00 including tax and tip (cash or check made payable to Petroleum Club on day of the program).

DECEMBER 11, 2015 - Women’s Wellness Update
Women have unique health issues and some health issues which affect both men and women can affect women differently and more profoundly. This program will focus on those unique issues many women develop such as hormonal imbalance, anxiety, depression, osteoporosis, cardiovascular disease, and fibromyalgia. Presenters will also update us on breast cancer screening options, giving us the pros and cons of each so we can properly inform our patients and make informed decisions for ourselves.

JANUARY 22, 2016 - Delivering Quality Care to the Geriatric Patient
Because Americans are living longer, half of all hospital admissions are patients over the age of 65. To ensure quality care for elderly patients, nurses and other healthcare providers must strive to understand and treat the complex physical and mental health needs of the geriatric patient. At this program, we will address common health concerns of the elderly including falls, incontinence, polypharmacy, wound and skin care, and caregiver stress. Dementia versus Alzheimer’s will also be discussed and differentiated by expert professionals.

FEBRUARY 19, 2016 - Putting Sacred Cows to Pasture & Embracing Evidence-Based Practice
As nurses, we often develop patient care routines which are difficult to change. We cling to these “sacred cows” of nursing often times because they are familiar to us and seem to work. However, with the emergence of evidence-based practice (EBP), we must embrace the fact that nursing practice cannot stay stagnant but must improve and transform as research proves or disproves certain practices as effective, safe, and efficient. Experts at this program will discuss various reasons why we must “put our sacred cows to pasture” and realign our nursing practice to reflect the latest research developments.

MARCH 18, 2016 - Diabetes and Pre-Diabetes: Where Are We Now?
Managing diabetes can be an overwhelming task for many patients and their families, including the pediatric population. Patients and caregivers need a skilled team of knowledgeable, caring healthcare providers to support them in order to be successful in disease management. However, because millions of dollars is dedicated to diabetes research, the healthcare team can also become inundated with new information and treatment options. Experienced professionals at this program will guide us through the latest research advancements in diabetes and pre-diabetes management and explain how we can apply these in the clinical setting.

APRIL 29, 2016 - Functional Medicine: Addressing the Underlying Cause of Disease
A shift is occurring in the treatment of disease to a focus on the patient as a whole and not the traditional disease-centered approach. Functional Medicine embraces this concept along with the tactic of searching for and addressing the underlying root cause of disease. Incorporating the latest in genetic science, environmental factors, and lifestyle factors, Functional Medicine practitioners explore how each of these factors influences long term health and chronic illness. If holistic healthcare is essential to you, you will not want to miss this intriguing program.
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Individual $80.00
Subscriber participant $15.00
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Undergraduate Students and Dietetic Interns $10.00
Graduate Students $40.00

Registrations received after Monday prior to Friday programs will be charged an additional $10.00 fee.

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