

### Course Description

This course is a review of emergency nursing designed to assist the participant in successfully obtaining CEN certification. The course offers lectures, graphics, videos and practice questions in many of the areas that are tested on the CEN Exam. This review will provide not only a knowledge base for successfully completing the exam, but also a foundation for further study as the participant works towards emergency nursing certification.

#### *Why Be Certified*

Successfully completing the Certified Emergency Nurse (CEN) Exam is a challenge that has been completed by only a minority of emergency nurses. Successful completion of this exam exhibits to others that the bearer has demonstrated a knowledge base in the specialty of emergency nursing that exceeds his or her peers.

### Program Learning Outcomes

*This program prepares the learner to:*

- Discuss priorities of the primary and secondary assessment of patients in presenting to the emergency department.
- Describe basic principles of disaster management.
- Analyze the effectiveness of patient or family education in a clinical scenario.
- Discuss the basic principles of safe interfacility transfer.
- Describe anticipated assessment findings of patients with selected respiratory, medical, cardiovascular, neurologic, toxicologic, gastrointestinal and genitourinary emergencies.
- Plan and prioritize interventions of patients with selected respiratory, medical, cardiovascular, neurologic, toxicologic, orthopedic, psychiatric or gastrointestinal emergencies.
- Select appropriate triage categories for patients in clinical scenarios.
- Differentiate cardiogenic, hypovolemic and distributive shock with regards to assessment and management.

### Agenda

*Sign-in begins at 7:30 am.* Each day includes a one-hour lunch (on your own), as well as a morning and afternoon break of 15 minutes each. The order of lectures presented and break times may vary according to speaker preference.

#### Day 1, 8:00 am to 5:00 pm

- 0800 **CEN Exam Process**  
Review of Exam | Test-Taking Strategies | Certification and Re-Certification
- 0830 **Professional Issues**  
Stabilization and Transport | End-of-Life Issues | Legal Issues | Evidence-Based Practice and Research | Disaster Planning | Critical Incident Stress Management | Ethics
- 1000 **Break**
- 1015 **Shock**  
Hypovolemic Shock | Cardiogenic Shock | Obstructive Shock | Distributive Shock
- 1115 **Neurological Emergencies**  
Headaches | Stroke | Intracranial Trauma | Spinal Cord Injury
- 1230 **Lunch**

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- 1330 **Environmental Emergencies**  
Heat and Cold Related Illnesses | Burns | Submersion and Diving Injuries | Animal Injuries
- 1430 **Toxicological Emergencies**  
Toxicological Treatment Modalities | Review of Common Toxicological Agents
- 1515 **Break**
- 1530 **Medical Emergencies**  
Infectious Diseases | Endocrine Disorders | Hematological Disorders
- 1700 **Adjourn**

## Day 2, 8:00 am to 5:00 pm

- 0800 **Respiratory Emergencies**  
Disorders of the Upper and Lower Respiratory Tract
- 0930 **Break**
- 0945 **Cardiovascular Emergencies**  
Coronary Artery Disease | Other Disorders of the Heart | Peripheral Vascular Diseases
- 1115 **Gastrointestinal Emergencies**  
Medical Disorders Common to the GI Tract | Traumatic Injuries to the GI Tract
- 1200 **Lunch**
- 1300 **GU, OB and GYN Emergencies**  
Disorders of the Male and Female GU Tract | Renal Disorders | Obstetrical Complications | Care of the Woman and Infant During and After Emergency Delivery | Gynecological Presentations | STDs
- 1400 **Orthopedic and Wound Emergencies**  
Injuries to Bones and Joints | Compartment Syndrome | Fat Emboli
- 1500 **Break**
- 1515 **Maxillofacial Emergencies**  
Ocular Emergencies | Auricular Emergencies | Nasal Emergencies | Mouth and Throat Emergencies | Facial Trauma
- 1615 **Psychological-Social Emergencies**  
Anxiety Disorders | Psychotic Disorders | Affect Disorders | Substance Abuse | Maltreatment Abuse
- 1700 **Adjourn**

## Accreditation

### RN/LPN/LVN/Other: 15 Contact Hours

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