Education Sessions

Tuesday, September 20, 2022

Pre-Conference – 1:00 - 4:00 p.m., 3.2 CNE contact hours

Best Practices to Attract and Retain the Finest Talent in the Galaxy

*Speaker: Eric Scharber, Managing Principal, SimiTree, New Port Richey, FL*

People are our number one asset. Without a talented workforce at all levels, organizations goals cannot be achieved. This program will help managers understand several key aspects of Talent Acquisition and Retention including:

★ Developing excellent communication skills via our True Colors Assessment
★ Developing the kind of leadership skills that top talent want to work for
★ Learning the techniques professional recruiters employ to attract top talent in the market

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Wednesday, September 21, 2022

Opening Keynote – 8:30 - 9:30 a.m., 1.2 CNE contact hours

National Home Care & Hospice Update: A View from Washington and Beyond

*Speaker: William A. Dombi, President, National Association for Home Care & Hospice, Washington, DC*

This year presents significant developments in federal legislation and regulation affecting home health agencies, hospices, and home care providers as the combination of Covid-19 impacts, federal health care financing, and large-scale experimentation in reforms have created numerous opportunities and threats. This program brings an up-to-the minute overview of all that is coming out of the Congress and federal agencies that affects the universe of health care at home.

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Home Health Management Breakout 1 (M1) – 9:45 - 10:45 a.m., 1.2 CNE contact hours

Moving Health Care at Home Light Years Ahead

*Speaker: William A. Dombi, President, National Association for Home Care & Hospice, Washington, DC*

The focus of health care today is in the home. As a result, health policy and care delivery are in an era of innovation tied to reforms to remove barriers and create opportunities for an expanded universe of health care at home. A patient-centered model of health care based in one’s own home creates immediate support for social determinants of health, equitable access to care for our diverse population, and the economic efficiencies needed to address an aging population. This program examines the trends present in health care that favor home care in terms of health care policy, technology advancements, and innovative care delivery models.

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Clinical Breakout 1 (C1) – 9:45 - 10:45 a.m., 1.2 CNE contact hours

Post COVID Conditions: A New Frontier

Speaker: Branden W. Comfort, MD, MPH, FACP, Assistant Professor of Medicine, Ambulatory Section Leader, Division of General, Geriatric, and Hospital Medicine, University of Kansas Health System, Kansas City, KS

This workshop will be a broad overview of the novel post covid conditions. We will review what is known of the epidemiology, pathophysiology, work up, and treatment of post covid conditions. We will also touch on current and future research in this area. Read More

Hospice Breakout 1 (H1) – 9:45 - 10:45 a.m., 1.2 CNE contact hours

Lost in Space? Resources for Hospice Mission Control

Speaker: Amy Burr, RN, BSN, Program Director, Meadowlark Hospice, Clay Center, KS

A hospice session to provide a toolbox of options to have on hand to help answer your day to day questions – questions about survey preparation, eligibility, wound care, hospice basics, quality, volunteer rates, and other resources. Agencies are looking on where to focus now as the pandemic moves to endemic. The purpose is also to be a kickoff point for those new to hospice and needing to know where to search for answers. The session will end with an open forum discussion to answer questions and share helpful tips from your agency. If you have a great must-have resource from your agency please bring that information to this session to share. This will be an opportunity to build up our new hospice leaders and refocus for our seasoned leaders. Read More

Luncheon (L1) – 12:00 - 1:30 p.m., 1.0 CNE contact hour

Do You Have the Best Culture for Your Agency’s Future?

Speaker: Carol Quiring, RN, Consultant; Retired President/CEO, St. Luke’s Home Care and Hospice, Lee’s Summit, MO

“Culture is the only sustainable competitive advantage that is completely within the control of Leadership”. The most important characteristic of an organization is the emotional qualities of their culture. They can repel or attract people. Culture when healthy pulls staffs together. During this hour, we will set a framework for building a culture that attracts the right people to your team and how to recognize when your culture needs your attention. And understand the importance of culture by remembering the quote by Peter Drucker, “Culture eats strategy for breakfast”. Read More

Management Breakout 2 (M2) – 2:30 - 4:30 p.m., 2.2 CNE contact hours

Personal Celebration and Appreciation: Tools to Fuel Your Space Journey

Speaker: Christina Unrein, PCC, LEED AP ND, AICP, Clarity, Confidence & Happiness Coach, Possibility Lab, Wichita, KS

How do you stay motivated and energized when leading in a stressful environment and while facing many challenges? This workshop focuses on the mindset and importance of acknowledging, celebrating, and appreciating yourself. Personal celebration and appreciation are part of being a resilient leader and allow you to re-energize yourself especially when you are taking on many daunting tasks as a leader in your agency... Read More
Clinical Breakout 2 (C2) – 1:45 - 4:30 p.m., 3.0 CNE contact hours

Providing Out of this World Wound Care

Speaker: Lynne Kempton, RN, BSN, CWON, RN Wound Consultant/Case Manager, Interim Healthcare, Wichita, KS

Poor quality wound care negatively impacts patients' lives, wastes resources, and costs money. This workshop will take a thorough look at the basic wound assessment skills and treatment plans that anyone can enact in their practice to promote healing and reduce complications. We will discuss common wound types, complications and a decision tree for dressing selection. Read More

Hospice Breakout 2 (H2) – 1:45 - 4:30 p.m., 3.0 CNE contact hours

Staying in Orbit with Your Hospice Documentation and Case Management

Speaker: Celeste Miller RN, BS, HCS-D, COS-C, Oracle Consulting Services - Director of Operations, Logan, UT

Hospice documentation must provide sufficient support of the ongoing medical necessity of the services being provided for the terminally ill patient. All interventions must be in direct response to the comprehensive assessment and the plan of care. Painting a picture of the patient in a way that shows appropriate decline is essential. Our patient charts determine payment or no payment. Documentation can be supplemented and improved by integrating teaching tools and educational handouts. A hospice case manager nurse is a registered nurse (RN) who is responsible for overseeing the care of hospice patients. A hospice case manager nurse educates families and caregivers of the patient on recognizing potential symptoms and providing safe and competent care for the patient. Read More

Thursday, September 22, 2022

Home Health Management Breakout 3 (M3) – 8:30 - 11:30 a.m., 3.3 CNE contact hours

VBP is Set to Start in 2023 – It’s Time to Start Your Engines

Speakers: M. Aaron Little, CPA, Managing Director; and Angela Huff, RN, Managing Consultant, Forvis, Springfield, MO; Lisa McClammy, BSN, RN, COS-C, HCS-D, Senior Clinical Education Consultant, MAC Legacy

The national expansion of the home health Value-Based Purchasing (VBP) model is set to be implemented beginning January 1, 2023. This session will focus on the key elements of the VBP model, including performance measures, the structure of the scoring and payment model, and how the proposed rule may impact your preparation for the 2023 performance year. This session will also focus on operational strategies that can positively impact your results across the performance measures that make up the VBP Total Performance Score (TPS), including those measures based on OASIS, claims data and CAHPS. Read More
Clinical Breakout 3 (C3) – 8:30 - 10:45 a.m., 2.5 CNE contact hours

Launch the Rover: Home Health Medicare Documentation, Medical Review & PEPPER Reports

Speaker: Leslie Heagy, RN, Director of Clinical Services, Healthcare Provider Solutions, Inc., Nashville, TN

This session will take agencies through the rough terrain of Medicare scrutiny. Don’t be caught in the position of believing that everything is just okay or that the Public Health Emergency is a shield from medical review. While billing the Medicare benefit and getting paid relatively easy, there is always a risk of things being reviewed at some point and what can you do to avoid denials. Participants will be able to define the levels of Medical Review that are currently active: including, UPIC, SMRC, MAC ADR, RAC and the reinstated Targeted Probe & Educate. The session will review how to respond to any level of medical review that may occur. Attendees will take away information that will assist in assuring that your home health truly is accurately documenting. Read More

Hospice Breakout 3 (H3) – 8:30 - 10:45 a.m., 2.4 CNE contact hours

Reaching Out to the Hospice Quality Stars

Speaker: Tina Capeder, MBA, QCP, Director Quality and Risk Post-Acute Care Services, and Monica Rose, BSN, Clinical Documentation Specialist, Saint Luke’s Health System, Kansas City, MO

Setting yourself apart for the best quality outcomes.

Purpose: The purpose is to examine perceptions of quality improvement strategies for hospice.

Improving Outcomes: By utilizing data analysis, we can improve on quality care and family satisfaction.

Value of Information: This workshop can be of value to Hospice Management, Hospice Quality Improvement, and Clinical Staff who are interested in applying quality data analysis to improve quality care. Read More

Luncheon (L2) – 12:00 - 1:30 p.m., 1.0 CNE contact hour

Fire Back

Speaker: Jared Estes, Speaker/Owner, Fire Back LLC, Bel Aire, KS

Jared Estes has a very unique story to tell - from the high school athlete who married his high school sweetheart, to the nightmare of waking up on fire and the struggle afterwards to piece his life back together... Jared gives a sincere unfiltered re-telling of his experience that will help everybody who hears it FIRE BACK in their own life challenges. Read More

Management Breakout 4 (M4) – 1:45 - 4:00 p.m., 2.5 CNE contact hours

Explore the Planet Where Technology Protects from Staffing Loss and Revenue Erosion

Speaker: Terri Embry, RN, BSBA, Vice President, Customer Success, CitusHealth, a ResMed Company, Biloxi, MS

The clinical shortage is never going away. Home health leaders need to decide today how they will balance the limited supply of clinical hours available to care for patients with the growing demand for home-based care and the increasing scrutiny on quality of care. In “Doing More with Less” we explore innovative ways to optimize your most valuable resource – your nurses – and discuss opportunities and strategies to optimize their time while still improving patient care and family engagement. Read More
Clinical and Hospice Breakout 4 (C4/H4) – 1:45 - 4:00 p.m., 2.5 CNE contact hours

The Black Holes of a Brain with Alzheimer’s: Exploring the disease and how to best communicate with those who are living with it.

Speaker: Rayna Neises, ACC, CPLC, Community Educator, Alzheimer’s Association, Belle Plaine, KS

Alzheimer’s is not normal aging. It’s a disease of the brain that causes problems with memory, thinking and behaviors. Join us to learn about: the impact, the difference between Alzheimer’s and dementia, the stages and risk factors, the current research and treatments available. As brain damage occurs communication becomes tricky. Using the 5 senses to communicate efficiently can lead to a better quality of life.

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Home Health Aide Concurrent Conference

Thursday, September 22, 2022

The Home Health Aide Conference is not included in the one- or two-day registration packets, but must be purchased separately. During the noon hour, the home health aides will join other conference participants to attend the Luncheon Workshop L2—Fire Back.

8:30 - 9:30 a.m.

Don’t be a Space Cadet – Respect Your Patient’s Privacy

Speaker: Ashley Boles, RN-BSN, COS-C, Implementation Consultant, Axxess, Eureka, KS

Protecting your patients’ information is important. This workshop will explore professionalism expected from the individual undertaking the home health aide role. Factors which may affect confidentiality and privacy will be discussed along with the use of social media and setting appropriate boundaries with patients.

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9:45 - 10:45 a.m.

Dementia: What happens, how to approach and engage!

Speaker: Fiona Harper, RN, BSN, Changing Minds LLC, Certified Independent Trainer and Consultant Positive Approach to Care Practitioner, Apollo Health ReCode program, Wichita, KS

What is abnormal brain change? Could it be a form of dementia? And if it is, what happens? What can I do to offer the best help and support?

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1:45 - 2:45 p.m.

Mission Possible: Care of the Person with Diabetes

Speaker: Patricia Corning, BSN, RN, CDCES, Certified Diabetes Care and Education Specialist, Great Plains Diabetes, Wichita, KS

This presentation is designed to be an update for healthcare providers caring for people with diabetes. The latest guidelines, medications and self-management skills will be covered. Time for questions and answers will wrap up the session.

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3:00 - 4:00 p.m.

“Toetally” out of this World

Speaker: Debra A. Trevett, BSN, RN, President/Owner, Toe Truck Inc., Wichita, KS

Health care workers providing patient care play an important role in identifying foot care problems. They also play an important role to educate patients on the importance of foot care and the impact on overall health.

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