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HIV/AIDS (Human Immunodeficiency Virus/ Acquired Immunodeficiency syndrome) & Infection Control

Course Overview:

The course provides the initial training requirement for all healthcare providers and several other non-healthcare boards. Once completed, each participant will be given a certificate of completion. This course educates the participant on the principle modes of HIV transmission, infection control practices, clinical management, transmission prevention, overview of Florida HIV/AIDS legislation (laws), treatment, and psychosocial issues for those with HIV and AIDS.

Eligibility:

Healthcare Professionals and Non-Healthcare Boards

HIV/AIDS Content:

HIV infection has now spread to every country in the world and has infected more than 40 million people worldwide as of the end of 2003. More than 1.1 million people in the United States have been infected with HIV. The scourge of HIV has been particularly devastating in Sub-Saharan Africa. The proportion of adult women among those infected with HIV is increasing.

- HIV: A lent virus of a subgroup of retroviruses, HIV causes AIDS. The virus kills or damages cells of the body's immune system. HIV progressively destroys the body's ability to fight infections and certain cancers. People diagnosed with AIDS may develop life-threatening diseases from viruses or bacteria that rarely make healthy people sick. These infections are called opportunistic infections.
- AIDS: Acquired immunodeficiency syndrome was first recognized in 1981 in New York City. The epidemic is growing most rapidly among minority populations. The virus was identified in 1983. A diagnostic blood test was developed in 1985.

Infection Control Content:

Every year, many lives are lost because of the spread of infections in hospitals. Health care workers can take steps to prevent the spread of infectious diseases. These steps are part of infection control. Proper hand washing is the most effective way to prevent the spread of infections in hospitals. If you are a patient, don't be afraid to remind friends, family and health care providers to wash their hands before getting close to you. More...

Warning, this course contains graphic images of victims affected by AIDS. Some of the images may be too intense for some attendees. Do to the nature of the disease process discussed, references to sex and sexual activities are addressed.

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