



End-of-Life Nursing Education Consortium (ELNEC) – Geriatric
New Jersey Hospital Association, Princeton, NJ

June 10, 2014

Registration: 7:30 a.m. – 8 a.m.

Location: NJHA Conference and Event Center

Program: 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.

760 Alexander Road, Princeton, NJ

ELNEC's primary aim is to educate nurses to improve end-of-life care. The curriculum addresses the unique needs of geriatric nurses who work in long term care and skilled nursing facilities and the hospices that service these facilities. Nurses from acute care settings, clinics and homecare also find the training helpful to their practice of caring for older adults in these settings. Undergraduate and graduate nursing faculty find the course, its supplemental teaching materials and case studies, invaluable to their current lectures.

In addition, the curriculum includes supplemental teaching strategies for educating unlicensed personnel that work with geriatric patients and their families.

OBJECTIVES:

1. Discuss the Partnership for Patients goal for 2014, and how readmissions relate to end-of-life care
2. Describe the important role of the nurse as an advocate and the role of the family as the unit of care
3. Compare and contrast end-of-life and palliative care issues that impact all systems of care across all settings
4. Discuss the importance of culture as an influence at the end of life and the critical need for attention to special populations such as children, the elderly, the poor and the uninsured
5. Identify barriers to adequate pain relief at the end of life for the older adult
6. Describe interventions that can prevent or palliate symptoms at the end of life
7. Distinguish between anticipatory grief, normal grief, complicated grief and disenfranchised grief, mourning and bereavement
8. Assess physical, psychological, social and spiritual care needs and interventions for an imminently dying older adult and their family.

TARGET AUDIENCE

Nurses, APNs, social workers, case managers and long term care facility healthcare providers