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Geriatric Emergency Nursing Education

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Course Outline: Geriatric Emergency Nursing Education

Module 1: Demographics of U.S. Population

- Lesson 1: Demographic Trends of the U.S. Population
- Lesson 2: Emergency Department and Health Care for Older Adults

Module 2: Attitudes & Ageism

- Lesson 1: Ageism
- Lesson 2: Myths and Facts about Older Adults
- Lesson 3: Age Bias in Healthcare
- Lesson 4: Geriatric Training and Role of Emergency Nurses

Module 3: Normal Physical Changes in Older Adults

- Lesson 1: Breathing – The Respiratory System
- Lesson 2: Beating – The Cardiovascular System
- Lesson 3: Thinking and Reacting – The Nervous System
- Lesson 4: Moving – The Musculoskeletal System
- Lesson 5: Eating & Eliminating – The Gastrointestinal and Urinary Systems
- Lesson 6: Metabolizing – the Endocrine System
- Lesson 7: Responding – the Sensory System
- Lesson 8: Sleeping and Other Physical Changes

Module 4: Psychological Changes

- Lesson 1: The 3 D's and Suicide in Older Adults
- Lesson 2: Delirium
- Lesson 3: Dementia
- Lesson 4: Depression

Module 5: Older Adults Abuse and Neglect

- Lesson 1: Scope of Older Adult Abuse and Neglect
- Lesson 2: Clues to Abuse and Interventions
- Case Study

Module 6: Triage & Assessment

- Lesson 1: ABC's of Geriatric Assessment
- Lesson 2: Assessment Techniques and Atypical Presentations

Module 7: Pain

- Lesson 1: Pain in Older Adults
- Lesson 2: Pain Assessment and Challenges
- Lesson 3: Impact of Physiological Changes
- Lesson 4: Medication and Pain Management

Module 8: Medications, Over-the-Counter Medications, and Herb Use

- Lesson 1: Medication Interactions
- Lesson 2: Herbal Therapy and Interactions
- Lesson 3: Prescription and Over-the-Counter (OTC) Medications
- Lesson 4: Medication and Food

Module 9: End-of-Life Decision Making and Palliative Care

- Lesson 1: Changes in the Care Model
- Lesson 2: Health Care Decision Making
- Lesson 3: Informed Consent and Surrogates
- Lesson 4: Advance Directives
- Lesson 5: DNR Orders and Advance Directives

Module 10: Discharge Planning

- Lesson 1: Discharge Planning Process
- Lesson 2: The Continuum of Care

Module 11: Discharging Older Adults

- Lesson 1: Discharge Instructions
- Lesson 2: Assessing Barriers to Learning
- Lesson 3: Overcoming Barriers to Learning