Medical Management of Nerve Agent Casualties

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10/1/2008 - 9/30/2009

Location
Internet Enduring Material
Aberdeen proving Ground, MD

General Continuing Medical Education Information

Accreditation Statement
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The U.S. Army Medical Command designates this educational activity for a maximum of 4 AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s)™. Physicians should only claim credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

Statement of Need/Gap Analysis
The purpose of this CME activity is to address the identified gap(s):
* 1) Medical providers must be able to differentiate signs and symptoms of chemical nerve agents.
* 2) Medical providers must be able to supervise and delegate resources during the patient decontamination process.
* 3) Medical providers must be able to identify and appropriately treat patients exposed to chemical nerve agents based on diagnosis.

Learning Objectives
1. Apply the fundamentals of chemical agent terminology to the diagnosis & treatment of nerve agent casualties & recommend appropriate treatment, decontamination & detection to reduce illness & injury due to nerve agent exposure.
2. Apply the fundamentals of chemical agent terminology to the diagnosis & treatment of nerve agent casualties & recommend appropriate treatment, decontamination & detection to reduce illness & injury due to nerve agent exposure.
3. Apply the fundamentals of pathophysiology to the diagnosis & treatment of nerve agent casualties & recommend appropriate treatment, decontamination & detection to reduce illness & injury due to nerve agent exposure.
4. Apply the fundamentals of consideration of patient circumstances to the diagnosis & treatment of nerve agent casualties & recommend appropriate treatment, decontamination & detection to reduce illness & injury due to nerve agent exposure.
Intended Audience
The course is designed for Medical Corps and Nurse Corps officers, physician assistants, Medical Service Corps officers in specialties 67B, C, or E, and other selected medical professionals. Lectures, case studies, and interactive modules prepare graduates to effectively manage casualties exposed to chemical nerve agents.

* Hardware/Software/System Requirements *
Sound Card, Speakers, Windows Media Player 7.1, and Real Player. This program is best viewed in Internet Explorer (IE) 5.0 or higher, as stated on our web site:

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There is no commercial support associated with this educational activity.

Agenda

PRESENTATION TITLE / DATE/TIME
Recognizing Nerve Agent Casualties (Charles Hurst)
10/1/2008 08:00-09:00

Treating Nerve Agent Casualties (Charles Hurst)
10/1/2008 09:00-10:00

Pretreatment for Nerve Agent Casualties (Charles Hurst)
10/1/2008 10:00-11:00

Detection of and Protection From Nerve Agents (Charles Hurst)
10/1/2008 11:00-11:30

Module Assessment (Charles Hurst)
10/1/2008 11:30-12:00

Faculty Presenters
Charles Hurst, M.D.

Dr. Hurst is board certified in dermatology. He is chief of the Chemical Casualty Care Division. He also retains a part-time dermatology practice at the Pentagon Health Clinic.

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