CONTINUING EDUCATION CREDIT

Participants at each site will be required to sign the attendance roster, and return the participant profile form with one copy of the implementation plan, the pre and post-test, and the evaluation.

Continuing Medical Education
Accreditation Statement
This activity has been planned and implemented in accordance with the Essential Areas and policies of the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education through the joint sponsorship of the Northwest Research & Education Institute and the Montana Geriatric Education Center. The Northwest Research & Education Institute is accredited by the ACCME to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

Credit Designation
The Northwest Research & Education Institute designates this educational activity for a maximum of 6.25 Category 1 credit for completing this program.

Physician Assistants
AAPA accepts certificates of participation for educational activities certified for AMA PRA Category 1 Credit™ from organizations accredited by ACCME or a recognized state medical society. Physician assistants may receive a maximum of 6 hours of Category I credit for completing this program.

Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education
This activity has been planned and implemented in cooperation with the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education as a provider of continuing pharmacy education. This knowledge-based program is approved for 6.25 contact hours (0.625 CEU) as universal activity number MT000615159 from organizations accredited by ACCME or a recognized state medical society. Programs may be used by nurse specialists and nonphysicians depending upon the applicant’s area of specialty.

Successful participants must attend the entire program, sign registration attendance rosters at the beginning of both morning and afternoon sessions, and complete a program evaluation form. Statements of credit will be mailed within three weeks after the program to participants who satisfy these requirements.

Montana Board of Social Work Examiners and Professional Counselors
An application for continuing education credit has been submitted.

Montana Board of Nursing Home Administrators
Montana Board of Nursing Home Administrators certification is a pre-approved provider of continuing nursing education that meets the standards of the American Nurses Credentialing Center. Contact hours 6.25

Montana Nurses Association
The Montana Nurses Association (MNA) is an approved provider of continuing nursing education. This knowledge-based program is approved for 6.25 contact hours (0.625 CEU) as universal activity number MT000615159 from organizations accredited by ACCME or a recognized state medical society. Programs may be used by nurse specialists and nonphysicians depending upon the applicant’s area of specialty.

Objectives
Upon completion of the conference, participants should be able to:
1. Describe a recent research development and its potential application to the diagnosis or treatment of Alzheimer’s Disease.
2. Describe at least one method of successfully integrating research best practice into the clinical setting for the care of AD patients.
3. Define the relationship between mild cognitive impairment (MCI) and dementia.
4. Differentiate among delirium, dementia, and depression in older people.
5. Develop an appropriate assessment strategy for difficult behaviors in dementia, including behavioral mapping and assessment of psychosocial contributors.
6. Match the most common behavioral symptoms to appropriate pharmacological and nonpharmacological interventions.
7. Discuss caregiver supportive interventions that can be offered by multidisciplinary health care teams.

Target Audience
This continuing education program is designed for physicians, physician assistants, nurses, pharmacists, psychologists, social workers, occupational therapists, physical therapists, dieticians, nursing home administrators, tribal health administrators and practitioners, and other health care providers working in geriatric care and education.

Purpose
The purpose of the program is to improve health care providers’ knowledge and understanding of research on Alzheimer’s Disease and improve the implementation of best practices into the current care of AD patients.

Goal
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Alzheimer’s Association - Montana
Northwest Research & Education Institute,
Montana Gerontology Society, and
The University of Montana Skaggs School of Pharmacy
8th Annual Conference
Alzheimer’s Disease:
From Research to Best Practices
Speakers presenting from Billings and Missoula will be broadcast to interactive videoconferencing sites around Montana.

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Continuing Education Program for Health Professionals

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Follow-Up Video Sessions: MTGEC will host 2 follow-up, interactive video sessions in early 2011.

January 27, 2011 (8 – 9 a.m.) Discuss the assessment and management of an older patient exhibiting significant cognitive loss.

February 24, 2011 (8 – 9 a.m.) Develop a care plan for a patient with behavioral problems secondary to advanced Alzheimer’s Disease.

Participants from various disciplines will earn 1 contact hour for each session. Materials will be sent ahead of time so that preparation can be done in advance of the meetings. The cost for both sessions is $10 if this fee accompanies registration for this conference. See details below.

Conference Faculty and Agenda
October 12, 2010
Alzheimer’s Disease:
From Research to Best Practices

7:30 to 8:00 a.m. Registration, Complete pre-test and participant profile

8:00 to 8:15 a.m. Introductions and Disclosure Statement

8:15 to 9:45 a.m. On the Verge of a Paradigm Shift: The New View of Alzheimer’s Disease

David S. Koeneman, M.D.
(presenting from Billings)

Dr. Koeneman is Professor of Neurology at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, MN. A graduate of Dartmouth College and Medical School, he obtained his medical degree from the University of Minnesota. He completed a residency in Neurology at the University of Minnesota and a fellowship in Alzheimers and Behavioral Neurology at Harvard. He is certified by the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology. His research interests are in cognitive disorders in adults and he has published extensively in the medical literature.

9:45 to 10:00 a.m. Break

10:00 to 11:30 a.m. Differential Diagnosis and Treatment of Cognitive Disorders in Older Adults

Susan McCurry, Ph.D.
(presenting from Missoula)

Dr. McCurry is Research Professor in the Department of Psychosocial and Community Health and Adjunct Research Professor in Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences at the University of Washington in Seattle. She received her doctorate in clinical psychology at University of Nevada, Reno, and did a NIH Postdoctoral Geropsychology Fellowship at the University of Washington. Her clinical and research interests focus on various aspects of gerontology and geniatrics. She has written over 100 professional publications and book chapters, plus two books designed to help family caregivers and health care professionals provide more effective and compassionate care to cognitively impaired individuals.

11:30 to 12:30 p.m. Lunch

12:30 to 2:00 p.m. Assessment and Management of Behavioral Problems in Dementia

Lilian Thorpe, RN, MSc, M.D., Ph.D., FRCP
(presenting from Billings)

Dr. Thorpe is a geriatric psychiatrist and has dual academic appointments as Professor of Psychiatry and Community Health and Epidemiology at the University of Saskatchewan. She obtained her M.D. at the University of Toronto, completed her residency in psychiatry at the University of Saskatchewan, and obtained her Ph.D. in Community Health and Epidemiology at the University of Saskatchewan. Dr. Thorpe’s main clinical activities involve working with adults who have dementia, providing services in inpatient consultation settings, the Geriatric Assessment Program, nursing homes and in the outpatient clinic. Dr. Thorpe’s current research activity is a multi-site quality of life in long-term care study.

2:00 to 2:15 p.m. Break

2:15 to 3:45 p.m. Family Caregivers: A Critical Resource in Today’s Changing Health Care Climate

Carol J. Farran, DNSc, RN, FAAN, Ph.D.
(presenting from Missoula)

Dr. Farran is Professor and Division Director for the Ph.D. Nursing Program in the Department of Adult Health and Genomic Nursing, Rush University College of Nursing, in Chicago, IL. She holds The Nurses Alumni Association Chair in Health and the Aging Process at the university. She has a BSN from Siena College, a MS from Northern Illinois University, and her DNSc from Rush University Medical College. Her research has focused on caregiving for Alzheimer’s patients.

3:45 to 4:00 p.m. Review evaluation, participant profile, one copy of the implementation plan, and the post-/post-test.

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