



American Academy of Hospice and Palliative Medicine

Hospice Medical Director Course

CD Rom Continuing Medical Education Information

Recommended Procedure

These CME posttest questions are intended for purchasers or users of the Hospice Medical Director CD Rom. To receive maximum benefit from the Hospice Medical Director Course product, the following procedure is recommended:

- Review the learning objectives, purpose of the course, and the other information listed in this document.
- Listen to each lecture and follow along using the PowerPoint slides of each lecture.
- Once you have completed listening/viewing the course, complete the online posttest for each Module by clicking on the testing links below. The cost for each module posttest and CME is \$30.

Purpose

The hospice medical director faces numerous administrative, regulatory, and clinical challenges. The purpose of this course is to provide the tools and resources necessary to face these challenges and successfully fulfill physician roles within the interdisciplinary team. Educational presentations will allow attendees to explore the skills needed within administrative, regulatory, and clinical areas.

Learning Objectives

Upon completion of this continuing medical education program, a physician should be better able to:

- Identify the clinical, regulatory, and administrative skills required in the role of the hospice medical director.
- Identify the physical, psychological, psychiatric, social, cultural, and spiritual aspects of patient care.

- Discuss strategies for assessing and managing pain, other symptoms, and side effects based upon the best available evidence.
- Describe the hospice medical director's role on the interdisciplinary care team.
- Analyze the regulatory issues affecting the hospice medical director and identify strategies to fulfill regulatory requirements.

Accreditation Statement

The American Academy of Hospice and Palliative Medicine (AAHPM) is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) to sponsor continuing education for physicians.

AAHPM designates this continuing medical education activity for a maximum of 17.75 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits TM. Hours are granted as follows:

Module A	7.75 Continuing Medical Education Hours
Module B	4.00 Continuing Medical Education Hours
Module C	6.00 Continuing Medical Education Hours

Physicians are eligible to receive credit by completing the online posttest and evaluation form. The Academy will keep a record of AMA/PRA category 1 credit hours and the record will be provided on request; however, physicians are responsible for reporting their own category 1 CME credits when applying for the AMA/PRA or for other certificates or credentials. Physicians should only claim credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

Disclosure

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Review and Revision

This educational offering was peer reviewed by members of AAHPM in 2008.

Term of Offering

The release date for this Hospice Medical Director Course is December 15, 2008 and the expiration date is October 15, 2011. The final date to request credit is December 15, 2011.

Posttest Pass Rate

The posttest pass rate is 75%.

Posttests

[Module A – Clinical Skills](#)

[Module B – Regulatory](#)

[Module C - Administrative](#)