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EDUCATION

Management of Antibiotic Allergies: An Antibiotic Stewardship Discussion

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Athens-Limestone-Hospital



PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Misidentification of allergies to antimicrobials causes a significant burden to both patients and the healthcare system. Many reported allergies to antimicrobials may be adverse effects of the drug and not true, immune-mediated reactions. Untoward consequences of incorrect allergy identification are wide-ranging and include unnecessary use of broad-spectrum antimicrobials, use of antimicrobials not considered first-line or standard of care, increased healthcare costs, increased incidence of C. difficile infection, increased hospital length of stay, and increased readmission rates. Because of these serious consequences, clinicians must clarify when patients have true allergies to antimicrobials. There is no registration fee for this program.

Following registration, participants will have access to course instructions, updates, presentations, webinar link, program evaluation, CE certificates and credits, etc. **This program is approved for 1.0 ACPE Contact Hours, .1 CEUs.** Once credit is awarded, transcripts will be available online within 24 hours on the learner's CPE Monitor profile at <http://nabp.pharmacy/>. **This program is also approved by ABN and ACCME.**

The Office of Alumni and Professional Affairs strongly encourages each participant to check their profile online within 60 days of attendance to ensure credit has been awarded properly. ACPE will not accept CE submissions after 60 days from the live seminar date.

This program is sponsored through a grant from the Alabama Department of Public Health, Bureau of Communicable Disease Infectious Diseases and Outbreaks through a Cooperative Agreement with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, grant number 6 NU50CK000545-03-02, Strengthening HAI/AR (SHARP) CFDA 93.323. This program has been planned for Athens-Limestone Hospital employees.

TARGET AUDIENCE

This application-based course is intended for Pharmacists (ACPE), nurses (ABN), nurse practitioners (ABN), and physicians (ACCME).

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- Identify the risks associated with antibiotic allergy misidentification
- Describe the prevalence of allergies to beta-lactam and sulfonamide antimicrobials
- Compare the risk of cross-reactivity between different beta-lactam antimicrobials
- Formulate management strategies for patients with true allergies to antimicrobials

ACTIVITY COMPLETION REQUIREMENTS

To complete the steps for CE credit, each attendee will be required to access and review program materials located within the online course, attend the live Zoom webinar, enter the attendance code within the course that was provided at the conclusion of the program, complete the program evaluation within the online course, and claim credit within the course. Please contact hcopce@auburn.edu if you have any questions or needs related to this online CE program.

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PROGRAM FACULTY

Dr. Spencer Durham, Pharm.D., BCPS, BCIDP is an Associate Clinical Professor in the Department of Pharmacy Practice and also serves as the Director of Alumni & Professional Affairs with the Harrison College of Pharmacy. Originally from Arab, Alabama, he completed his pre-pharmacy coursework at Auburn University and graduated with his Doctor of Pharmacy degree from the Harrison College of Pharmacy in 2007. He went on to complete an ASHP-accredited post-graduate residency at Children's Health System in Birmingham, Alabama in 2008. After completion of his residency, he joined the staff at Sacred Heart Hospital in Pensacola, Florida as a clinical pharmacist specialist, a role he maintained for five years. In 2013, Dr. Durham joined the faculty of the Harrison College of Pharmacy, where he teaches in various courses throughout the curriculum. Additionally, Dr. Durham serves as the Director of Alumni and Professional Affairs under the Associate Dean for Clinical Affairs and Outreach. As part of this position, he works proactively with HCOP alumni and other health care professionals from throughout the state and region to foster the development of innovative practice models and to expand and enhance opportunities for continuous professional development. Dr. Durham also oversees the Office of Alumni and Professional Affairs, which is responsible for the many continuing education programs offered each year by HCOP. Dr. Durham has published more than 20 peer-reviewed articles in respected journals and several book chapters. He is an active speaker each year at national, state, and local conferences, where he educates healthcare professionals on topics related to infectious diseases and antimicrobial stewardship. Additionally, Dr. Durham is active in several state and national organizations including the Alabama Pharmacy Association (APA), the Alabama Society of Health-Systems Pharmacists (ALSHP), the American College of Clinical Pharmacy (ACCP), and the American Society of Consultant Pharmacists (ASCP).

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