

FOCUS SESSIONS & SPEAKERS
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2012

TOPIC: Testing Strategies – For Now and Later

Tim J. Bristol, PhD, RN, CNE, Marketing Director, Nursing Education Consultants, Ingram, Texas

Learn to look at a question from a different perspective-Apply testing strategies now, make sure you get credit for what you know!

TIME: 10:00 A.M. – 11:00 A.M. LOCATION: Salween

TOPIC: Re-thinking Fluids the NCLEX Way???

Shawn I. Boyd, RN, MSN, & Jessica Oliveti, CCRN, BSN, Regional Director, Hurst Review Services, Brookhaven, Mississippi

Preparing for the NCLEX is not about learning more and more content, it's about taking a certain amount of core content and applying it to many different situations. Come experience Hurst's Critical Thinking and Application Approach to NCLEX review in a one hour session on **Fluid Volume Excess and Fluid Volume Deficit** to include pathophysiology, causes, signs and symptoms, and treatment. You will leave this engaging interactive lecture with a **new way of thinking** as you learn to integrate knowledge about the endocrine, cardiac and renal systems in controlling the body's fluid volume status.

10:00 A.M. – 11:00 P.M. LOCATION: Rangoon

TOPIC: Kaplan NCLEX Mini-Review

Tiffany Leslie, Health Programs Manager Northern Texas, Kaplan Test Prep, Dallas, Texas; AND Barry Klassen, Health Programs Manager Southern Texas, Austin, Texas

Kaplan NCLEX experts discuss the details of the test and teach exclusive strategies needed to pass the NCLEX.

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TOPIC: Can I Be A Pediatric Nurse Right After I Graduate?

Sami Rahman, MEd, MSN, RN, Director of Simulation Allied Health Division, Blinn College, Bryan, Texas

Pediatric specialties and the future of nursing – the reality of graduating and going right into a pediatric setting as a graduate nurse. How do I interview well when the competition is so challenging?

**TIME: 10:00 A.M. – 11:00 A.M.
11:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M. LOCATION: Andaman**

TOPIC: Sleeping Your Way to Easier Learning and Better Memory
Pat Carter, PhD, RN, CNS, Sleep Researcher & Associate Professor of Nursing,
University of Texas at Austin, Austin, Texas

Students will learn how sleep impacts their learning and memory; the good, the bad, and the ugly of what happens when we deprive the brain of sleep; and how to use sleep to maximize their study sessions.

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TOPIC: Endocrine Is Not the End
Tim J. Bristol, PhD, RN, CNE, Marketing Director, Nursing Education
Consultants, Ingram, Texas

Take a walk through principles of the endocrine system that will help in all nursing courses.

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TOPIC: The “Why? And How?” of Acid Base Balance and ABG Interpretation
Shawn Boyd, RN, MSN, Regional Director, & Jessica Oliveti, CCRN, BSN,
Hurst Review Services, Incorporated, Brookhaven, Mississippi

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TOPIC: Building Critical Thinking Skills Workshop
Tiffany Lewis, North Texas Health Programs Manager, Lewisville, Texas;
AND Barry Klassen, Health Programs Manager Southern Texas, Austin,
Texas

Critical thinking is key to success in nursing school, on the NCLEX, and in nursing practice after you graduate. Our experts will give recommendations on how to build the crucial critical thinking skills needed to make the right test day and clinical judgments.

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TOPIC: How to Succeed in Nursing School Workshop
Tiffany Lewis, Health programs Manager Northern Texas, Lewisville, Texas; AND Barry Klassen, Health Programs Manager Southern Texas, Austin, Texas
Success in nursing school required effective time management, studying, and clinical skills. This seminar includes tips to master all three and more.

TIME: 12:00 P.M. - 1:00 P.M. **LOCATION:** Martaban

TOPIC: Stretcher-side Nursing: Stretching Beyond Your Comfort Zone
Kelda McMullen-Fix, MSN, RN, CEN, Assistant Professor and Simulation and Learning Lab Coordinator, University Mary Hardin-Baylor, Belton, Texas
Cutting edge technology fast paced environments, challenging and ever changing patient populations, professional certifications, and professional recognition with a personal sense of accomplishment. It isn't how many different directions you can be stretched at one time but how you apply your knowledge, skills, and attitudes stretcher-side. Join fellow nursing students on the front row to learn more about the exciting journey, emergency nursing.

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TOPIC: Global Health experiences – Issues, Answers, and Opportunities
Rev. Michael W. Birnbaum, President and Founder, International Service Learning, Corpus Christi, Texas
At the conclusion of this session, the learner will know what models of in-field health care best serve the needs of both students and patients, i.e., the delicate balance between experiential education and patient care; understand the ISL Village Triage model developed over 20 years of partnerships with in-country health ministries; learn what opportunities are available with Well-Child International and Women's Health International for nurses and students; discuss criteria to utilize when choosing a global health experience; learn how to prepare for a global health experience; and learn what's unique and effective about *nursing students'* participation in experiential global health.

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TOPIC: Make A Splash! Tips for Effective Resume Writing and Interviewing

Cynthia O. Richardson, RN, MSN, Senior Nursing Instructor,
University of the Incarnate Word, San Antonio, Texas

Learn strategies from the NSNA Career Counseling Center on how to develop a winning resume and cover letter. Learn tips to ace your interview for your first nursing job. What are toughest interview questions (and answers!) Some succeed because they are destined to, but most succeed because they are destined to, but most succeed because they are determined to!

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TOPIC: Achieve and Virtual ATI
Kandice D. Shields, Partner Support Specialist, ATI Nursing Education,
Stilwell, Kansas

Are you "Green Light" Ready for the NCLEX? Do You Want to Achieve Above the Rest? ATI Nursing Education will make sure you can say YES to both of these questions! Virtual ATI is a Guaranteed NCLEX (r) tool for your success with an innovative, self-paced online NCLEX review course that leverages your existing ATI products (review modules and online practice assessments). Set yourself up for success. Achieve will provide you with the skills necessary to prepare you for nursing school through an online tutorial that includes engaging video examples. Join us for a virtual learning experience you will not FORGET!!!

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TOPIC: Clinical Reasoning and Priority Setting
Mary Walker, RNC, MS, IBCLC, Assistant Professor,
Joanne Gay Dishman, Department of Nursing, Lamar University, Beaumont, Texas
Breakout session will discuss how to go from shift report through the patient assessment to the priority setting and anticipatory problem solving process of the beginning nurse (Walking the Walk of the Registered Nurse)

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