Crucial Conversations in Cancer Care: Management of Patients Undergoing Immunotherapy Treatments

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Target Audience

This activity has been designed to meet the educational needs of oncology nurses and nurse practitioners involved in the care of patients that experience chemotherapy-induced nausea and vomiting as a result of their treatment.

Overview

As immunotherapies continue to transition from clinical trials to the standard of care for some cancers, nurses must be knowledgeable about the diverse categories and classes of agents in this field and deliver safe, effective, and evidence-based care to their patients. Nurses' most important roles in the immunotherapy evolution are safe administration of these agents and patient education. Nurses should also be a voice for high-quality cancer care and play an active role in policy decisions surrounding this novel therapy. The educational activities will present evidence-based and clinically informed approaches to the management of patients across the lifespan, including strategies for nursing education, preparation of clinical settings to provide immunotherapy and deliver focused care to patients receiving these therapies, algorithms to guide toxicity management, and guidelines for safe handling and administration of these agents to protect patients and healthcare providers.

Learning Objectives

Upon completion of this educational activity, learners should be better able to:

- Describe the mechanisms of action of newer immunotherapy agents
- Identify immune-related adverse events and the mechanisms behind them
- Implement early assessment and management strategies to address immune-related AEs
- Identify crucial conversations to engage in shared decision making addressing treatments and patient care

Activity Agenda

Pre-activity survey

Segment 1: Understanding Immunotherapies

Classes and Mechanisms of Action

Current and Emerging Areas of Treatment

Segment 2: Understanding Toxicities and Immune-Related Adverse Events

Class Toxicities

Therapy-specific Toxicities

Segment 3: Assessing and Managing Toxicities Related to Immunotherapy

Approaches to Assessing Patients Receiving Immunotherapy

Management and Interventions

Segment 4: Patient Education and Tools to Facilitate Early Detection

Post-activity survey (with discussion of rationale)

Q&A

To promote active learning and engage learners, audience polling questions and a discussion case have been incorporated into the activity design.

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An invited speaker on a broad number of topics that deal with bone marrow transplant, cellular immunotherapy and the care of patients with hematologic malignancies, Patricia Mangan has lectured on both the local, national and international level. The results of her work have appeared in such peer-reviewed journals as *Blood*, *Nursing*, *Bone Marrow Transplant*, Clinical Journal of the Oncology Nursing Society (CJON), *The Lancet Haematology* and *The Nurse Practitioner*.