

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Intravenous Venipuncture Certification

Peripherally Inserted Central Catheters (PICC Lines): Clinical Monitoring and Complication Management

Phlebotomy Procedures for Drawing Samples

Provided by Perivascular Nurse Consultants, Inc.

Visit www.nurse.com/ceseminars for complete information
or call 800-866-0919 or email ce@gannetthq.com.

Who should attend?

The target audience for seminars by Perivascular Nurse Consultants, Inc. are healthcare workers including: registered nurses, student nurses, new grads, licensed practical nurses, radiology technicians and medical technicians caring for patients with ALL types of vascular access devices, such as peripheral, central venous catheters, and PICC catheters.

What are the key course benefits?

- You will learn about how to insert a peripheral IV catheter, assess the IV site for early signs of complications, and properly document the assessment and procedure.
- You will learn in-depth venipuncture theory with multiple opportunities for hands-on participation to enhance the learning process. Locating veins by palpation will be part of the practicum. Please wear short sleeves under a jacket to make veins for identification purposes accessible.
- Practicum Requirement: Certificates are awarded upon successful completion of the practicum portion of the IV Venipuncture Certification program. Criteria that must be met include: properly holding the device, retracting the skin, identifying the vein (palpation), inserting the device appropriately, and obtaining a blood return on the practice model. The competency checklist must be completed.
- You will earn 8.0 contact hours.

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How do I register?

Gannett Healthcare Group, Gannett Education, handles the registration for these programs. To register, please visit www.nurse.com/ceseminars, call 800-866-0919, or email ce@gannetthq.com.

Where do you offer the programs?

We currently offer these programs in New Jersey, Massachusetts, New York, Pennsylvania, California, Florida and Texas and will expand into other markets if there is an interest. Complete information is available at www.nurse.com/ceseminars.

Who provides the continuing education for these seminars?

Perivascular Nurse Consultants, Inc. (PNC) provides the continuing education contact hours and the certification. Their website is www.pncnurse.com or you can contact them at 215-742-9833 or via email at pncnurse@aol.com.

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Perivascular Nurse Consultants, Inc. is also accredited by the California Board of Registered Nursing (provider no. CEP 13032).

At the successful completion of a program, each participant will receive a certificate denoting program name, location, date and number of contact hours earned. Names will be kept on file by PNC organization for five years.

Do I need to attend the entire seminar to be awarded the contact hours?

Yes. **Attendance at the entire seminar is required to be awarded the contact hours.** If you arrive late or leave early, you may still attend the program (space permitting) but **will not be awarded the CE contact hours.** The certification requirements are established by Perivascular Nurse Consultants, Inc. and are listed below:

Practicum Requirement:

Certificates are obtained upon successful completion of the practicum portion of the IV Venipuncture Certification & Phlebotomy programs. Criteria that must be met include: properly holding the device, retracting the skin, identifying the vein (palpation), inserting the device appropriately & obtaining a blood return on the practice model. The competency checklist must be completed. **ALL programs must be attended in their entirety in order to receive a certificate of program completion.**

Practicum Participation Information:

Due to the OSHA Occupational Exposure and Bloodborne Pathogens Standards, practicum for all seminars will be on a model. Under NO circumstances will there be practice on live volunteer participants.

Will I be able to draw blood or insert an intravenous catheter when I complete the program?

Yes, however, the requirements for practice within the healthcare setting or state vary. You may be required to demonstrate competency within the clinical setting prior to performing these tasks independently.

I lost my certificate. How do I obtain a new one?

Lost certificates are available from Perivascular Nurse Consultants, Inc. Please contact them by visiting www.pncnurse.com, call 215-742-9833 or email pncnurse@aol.com.