HOW TO OBTAIN CONTACT HOURS BY READING THIS ISSUE

Instructions: 23 contact hours will be awarded for this activity. A contact hour is 60 minutes of instruction. This is a Learner-paced Program. Vindico Medical Education does not require submission of the quiz answers. A contact hour certificate will be awarded 4-6 weeks following receipt of your completed Registration Form, including the Evaluation portion. To obtain contact hours:

1. Read the article: “Addressing Innovation: Changes in the American Nurses Credentialing Center Accreditation System,” on pages 441-445, carefully noting the tables and other illustrative materials that are provided to enhance your knowledge and understanding of the content.

2. Read each question and record your answers. After completing all questions, compare your answers to those provided within this issue.

3. Type or print your full name and address and your Social Security number in the spaces provided on the Registration Form. Indicate the total time spent on the activity (reading article and completing quiz). Forms and quizzes cannot be processed if this section is incomplete. All participants are required by the accreditation agency to attest to the time spent completing the activity.

4. Forward the completed Registration Form with your check or money order for $20 made payable to JCEN-CNE. Payment must be in U.S. dollars drawn on a U.S. bank. CNE Registration Forms are accepted up to 24 months from date of issue.

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Objectives: After studying the article, “Addressing Innovation: Changes in the American Nurses Credentialing Center Accreditation System,” in this issue, the participant will:

1. Identify changes to the American Nurses Credentialing Center program to promote quality outcomes.

2. Describe factors currently affecting the world of continuing nursing education.

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Addressing Innovation: Changes in the American Nurses Credentialing Center Accreditation System

1. The purpose of accreditation is to:
   A. Provide a mechanism to enforce rules about continuing education.
   B. Reward programs that offer excellence in in-service education.
   C. Validate the quality of continuing education provided by accredited organizations.
   D. Verify that organizations are following criteria.

2. According to the Macy report, continuing education currently is:
   A. Consistent and coordinated.
   B. Effective in use of technology to enhance learning experiences.
   C. Focused on providing high-quality patient care.
   D. More focused on lecture than on increasing learner competence.

3. The Macy report identifies the purpose of continuing education as:
   A. Enhancing patient care.
   B. Meeting accreditation criteria.
   C. Stimulating learning.
   D. Validating the competence of the provider.

4. Both the Macy report and the Institute of Medicine report address:
   A. Criteria for accreditation.
   B. Interprofessional continuing education.
   C. Resolution of conflict of interest to prevent bias in educational activities.
   D. The value of face-to-face learning opportunities compared to enduring materials.

5. Carnegie report recommendations include a focus on:
   A. Academic accreditation.
   B. Curriculum development.
   C. Educational processes.
   D. Outcomes of education.

6. Nursing Professional Development: Scope and Standards of Practice was coproduced by:
   A. American Nurses Association and National Nursing Staff Development Organization.
   B. American Nurses Association and American Association of Colleges of Nursing.
   C. American Nurses Credentialing Center and National League for Nursing.

7. A major focus of Scope and Standards is:
   A. Accreditation.
   B. Lifelong learning.
8. **Revised accreditation criteria are designed to:**
   A. Shift from focus on process to focus on outcomes.
   B. Establish standards for funding of continuing nursing education.
   C. Increase documentation requirements.
   D. Prepare organizations for appraisal of continuing education.

9. **The joint accreditation program is an initiative involving:**
   A. American Nurses Association, American Association of Colleges of Nursing, and Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education.
   B. American Nurses Association, American Nurses Credentialing Center, and The Joint Commission.
   C. American Nurses Credentialing Center, Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education, and Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education.
   D. American Nurses Credentialing Center, National League for Nursing, and Association of Women's Health, Obstetric and Neonatal Nurses.

10. **Accreditation of a nursing skills competency program is focused on:**
    A. Development of a curriculum for professional development.
    B. Recognition of an organization that provides quality education.
    C. Support of an organization's efforts to provide continuing nursing education.
    D. Validation of a nurse's ability to perform a skill or skill set.

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**CNE QUIZ ANSWERS**

1. C  6. A  
2. D  7. B  
3. A  8. A  
5. D  10. D

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**EVALUATION**

Must be completed for contact hour certificate to be awarded.

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