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Clinical Transplant Certification Review Course:

*A Comprehensive Overview of
Transplant Nursing Care for
Candidates taking the
CCTN and CCTC
Credentialing Examinations*

April 25-27, 2009
Portland, Oregon USA

November 14-16, 2009
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The International Transplant Nurses Society (ITNS) presents a "Clinical Transplant Certification Review Course." This course consists of sessions specific to each type of solid organ transplant as well as general topics related to clinical transplant nursing.



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Who Should Attend?

This course is designed for transplant nurses preparing for the CCTN (Certified Clinical Transplant Nurse) and CCTC (Certified Clinical Transplant Coordinator) examinations. It provides a comprehensive review of nursing care and care coordination required for transplant candidates and recipients of kidney, pancreas, liver, heart, lung and intestine transplants. Other topics to be presented include: an overview of transplant immunology, histocompatibility issues, transplant pharmacology, organ allocation and listing,

complications post-transplant, long term care issues, transplant ethics, psychosocial aspects of transplantation, pediatric issues, and patient education strategies. A session on test-taking skills and a practice test session are also included.

This curriculum was designed to include the content for study as outlined by the American Board for Transplant Certification (ABTC). Please refer to the ABTC website for further information on the CCTN and CCTC credentialing examinations at www.abtc.net.

A handbook containing the content outline for each examination is available on the ABTC website.

Transplant nurses who pass the CCTN or CCTC credentialing examinations can use that credential after their name. The certification credential provides acknowledgement that the transplant nurse has met a standard of competency. The credential also validates the expert knowledge and skills the CCTN and CCTC has to provide quality care for organ transplant candidates and recipients.

Purpose

The purpose of this program is to provide transplant nurses a comprehensive review of the nursing care of transplant candidates and recipients for all solid organs. Management of patients throughout all phases of the transplant process will be addressed with particular emphasis on nursing assessment, intervention, and evaluation.

Course Format

The course material is presented in lecture format with discussion and questions over a three-day period. Each lecture will include practice test questions to help the participant synthesize the content of the presentation. Participants are encouraged to ask questions and actively participate in the sessions.

Course Objectives:

Following participation in the CCTN/CCTC review course, the transplant nurse will be able to:

- Generally describe the primary components of the immune system.
- Discuss current immunosuppressive protocols.
- List the most common complications of end stage organ disease for each solid organ.
- Generally describe the evaluation process for transplantation.
- Describe listing criteria for each solid organ.
- Discuss the criteria for tissue matching.
- Discuss the organ allocation system in the US for each solid organ.
- Generally discuss the risks/benefits of living donor transplantation.

- Discuss nursing assessment of the solid organ transplant recipient in the early postoperative period.
- Discuss the incidence, signs and symptoms and treatment of rejection for each solid organ transplant type.
- List the most common infections post transplant and discuss the nursing assessment and treatment for each.
- Discuss strategies for effective patient educations to influence outcomes and increase adherence.
- Discuss three common psychosocial concerns following transplantation.
- Discuss two ethical issues that may be faced by the transplant nurse.
- Describe how transplant nurses can participate in research.

Educational Materials

A course manual will be distributed to each participant consisting of detailed outlines and/or slide handouts, lecture objectives, and references.

Continuing Education

An application has been submitted to the Ohio Nurses Association. Nurses may call to inquire about contact hours. Please call the ITNS office at +1 412-343-4867 for information.

Registration

Registration is limited to 75 participants, so register early to insure your reservation. The registration deadline is March 24, 2009 for Portland and October 22, 2009 for Columbus. After the deadline date, please call for space availability.

Course Fees

ITNS members\$300
Nonmembers\$375

Travel Details

Refer to travel information below for both locations.

Cancellation Policy

All cancellations must be received in writing. A \$25 administrative fee will be deducted from cancellations received up to 72 hours in advance. After that time, no refunds can be made.

Contact ITNS headquarters with any questions.

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Course Locations and Accommodations

Portland, Oregon:

Portland, Oregon will serve as the host city for the ITNS Transplant Certification Review (TCR) course from April 25-27, 2009. This three-day workshop runs from **Saturday through Monday**. Embassy Suites/Portland is conveniently located in the historic center of downtown Portland approximately 25 minutes from the Portland International Airport and easily accessible by major highways for driving. Airport shuttles are available through Blue Star Shuttle for a fee of \$14.00 one-way. The city's lightrail system, "Max", at a cost of \$2.05, has a stop 2.5 blocks from the hotel. Both options leave from the baggage claim area.

Discounted parking rates of \$15.00/night for valet parking and \$8.00/day for local attendees are available for CCTN attendees.

Embassy Suites/Portland

Rates: \$159.00 plus taxes/Single or double
**319 SW Pine Street
Portland, Oregon 97204**

You must enter or reference the group code ITN to receive the group rate by March 24, 2009.

Hotel Reservations:

Web reservations:

<http://embassysuites.hilton.com/en/es/groups/personalized/PDXPSES-ITN-20090417/index.jhtml>
(Or visit the ITNS homepage and click on the hotel link directly)

Phone: +1 503-279-9000
Fax: +1 503-220-0206

Columbus, Ohio:

Columbus is the setting for our Transplant Certification Review Course from November 14-16, 2009. This three-day workshop runs from **Saturday through Monday**. Our host hotel is the Westin, Columbus. Located in the heart of downtown, the Westin Columbus is only 10 minutes away from the Port Columbus International Airport and is accessible by 5 major highways into the city. Taxi service is available at the airport Taxi Stands for approximately \$20.00 - \$25.00 one-way. (Hotel recommends taxi to/from airport)

Parking: A reduced parking fee of \$10.00 (self parking) is available for ITNS group members. Valet parking is available at a rate of \$20.00 (with in/out privileges.)

Westin Columbus

Rates: \$129.00 plus taxes/Single or double
**310 S. High Street
Columbus, Ohio 43215**

You must enter or reference the group code, ITNS to receive the group rate by October 22, 2009.

Hotel Reservations:

Web reservations:

<http://www.starwoodmeeting.com/StarGroupsWeb/booking/reservation?id=0901064372&key=50239>
(Or visit the ITNS homepage and click on the hotel link directly)

Phone: +1 614-228-3800
Fax: +1 614-228-8820



The ITNS Clinical Transplant Certification Review Course

April 25-27, 2009
Embassy Suites / Portland
Portland, Oregon USA

November 14-16, 2009
Westin Columbus
Columbus, Ohio USA

Day 1

8:00 – 8:15 AM

Welcome/Introductions

***Introduction to the CCTN/CCTC
Credentialing Exams***

8:15 – 8:45 AM

***Test-Taking Strategies for the
CCTN/CCTC Exam***

8:45 – 10:15 AM

Transplant Immunology

10:15 – 10:30 AM Break

10:30 AM – 12:30 PM

Liver Transplantation

12:30 – 1:30 PM Lunch

Parallel Sessions:

CCTC (Content Specific)

1:30 – 2:30 PM

***Histocompatibility for the
Transplant Coordinator***

2:30 – 3:30 PM

***Transplant Coordination and
Organ Allocation***

CCTN (Content Specific)

1:30 – 2:30 PM

***Nursing Care for the Living
Donor***

2:30 – 3:30 PM

***Histocompatibility for the
Transplant Nurse***

3:30 – 3:45 PM Break

3:45 – 4:15 PM

***Professional and Ethical Issues
for the CCTN and CCTC***

4:15 – 5:00 PM

Psychosocial Issues

5:00 PM

Questions, announcements, adjourn

Day 2

8:00 – 10:30 AM

Kidney Transplantation

10:30 – 10:45 AM

Break

10:45 AM – 12:15 PM

Transplant Pharmacology

12:15 – 1:15 PM

Lunch Break

1:15 – 2:45 PM

Lung Transplantation

2:45 – 3:00 PM

Break

3:00 – 4:15 PM

Pancreas Transplantation

4:15 – 5:00 PM

***Health Literacy and Patient
Education***

5:00 PM

Questions, announcements, adjourn

6:30 – 8:30 PM

***Networking Dinner/Workshop
Discussion***

Day 3

8:00 – 10:30 AM

Heart Transplantation

10:30 – 10:45 AM

Break

10:45 AM – 12:15 PM

Intestine Transplantation

12:15 – 1:15 PM

Lunch Break

1:15 – 2:45 PM

Infectious Complications

2:45 – 3:00 PM

Break

3:00 – 4:00 PM

***Pediatric Issues in
Transplantation***

4:00 PM

Questions, Discussion, Practice Test,
Adjourn, CEU Distribution

HOTEL RESERVATION FORM – Portland, Oregon USA

Embassy Suites/Portland

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PHONE: +1 503-279-9000 (phone reservations)

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- All reservations must be received by March 24, 2009 to receive the group rates. (Group code ITN)
- Rates are guaranteed for April 25 - 27, 2009 and based on group block availability. Requests prior to and after the meeting will be accepted only on a space available basis.
- Check-in time is 4:00 p.m. Check-out time is 12:00 noon.

NAME:	RESERVATION GUARANTEE: <input type="checkbox"/> VISA <input type="checkbox"/> MC <input type="checkbox"/> AMEX <input type="checkbox"/> DISCOVER <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER
SHARING WITH:	CARD HOLDER NAME:
COMPANY:	CARD NO:
ADDRESS:	EXPIRATION DATE:
CITY, STATE, ZIP:	SIGNATURE:
BUSINESS PHONE:	HILTON HONORS#
EMAIL:	
DATE I plan to arrive:	DATE I plan to depart:
PLEASE CHECK:	
<input type="checkbox"/> Single/Double \$159.00 USD TAX 15.0%	SMOKING: <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO BED REQUEST: <input type="checkbox"/> KING BED <input type="checkbox"/> DOUBLE BEDS BED TYPE CANNOT BE GUARANTEED

ALL RESERVATION REQUESTS MUST BE GUARANTEED BY CREDIT CARD WITH THE FIRST NIGHT DEPOSIT IN ORDER FOR THE RESERVATION TO BE PROCESSED AND CONFIRMED. DEPOSITS ARE REFUNDABLE 24 HOURS PRIOR TO ARRIVAL. IF RESERVATION IS CANCELED WITHIN 24 HOURS OF ARRIVAL, ONE NIGHT ROOM AND TAX WILL BE CHARGED TO THE CREDIT CARD.

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or PHONE: +1 503-279-9000 (phone reservations)

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NAME BADGE INFORMATION:

First name: _____ Last name: _____

Degrees/credentials: _____ Position/Role: _____

Employer: _____

Employer City/State: _____ Province: _____

CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS: circle: Home Work

Mailing address: _____

City: _____ State/Province: _____ Postal code: _____

Country: _____ Email: _____

Phone number: _____ Fax number: _____

FEE SCHEDULE:

- ITNS Active Members\$300.00
- Non-member, joining now (membership application included).....\$375.00
- All other registrants\$375.00

PAYMENT: Make check payable to: ITNS

- Personal check Company/hospital check Money order VISA MasterCard

Card #: _____

Please enter the 3-digit # from the back of your card, immediately following your account number. This is required to process a card which is not physically present at ITNS headquarters.

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Expiry date: _____ (month/year) Signature: _____

Enclosed/Charge Amount: \$ _____ (all funds in U.S. dollars) ITNS # _____

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Contact Information

Name: _____

Degree/Certifications: _____

Recruited by: _____

I heard about ITNS through: Colleague ITNS website
 ISHLT ANNA ATC NATCO EDTNA
 Transplant Games BTS Contemporary Forums
 ITNS Educational Materials Other _____

Preferred Mailing Address: Home Work

Preferred E-Mail Address: _____

Home address:

Street: _____

City: _____

State/Province: _____

Postal Code: _____ Country: _____

Phone Number: _____

Work address:

Hospital/Company: _____

Position: _____

Dept/Div: _____

Bldg/Room: _____

Street: _____

City: _____

State/Province: _____

Postal Code: _____ Country: _____

Phone Number: _____

Fax Number: _____

Membership Dues Payment in U.S. Funds Only

Active RN \$75/year \$200/three years (circle one)
(All RNs. All Active members are entitled to vote, hold office and serve on committees at the international level. Per the ITNS Bylaws, any RN must join as Active)

Associate \$50/year \$135/three years (circle one)
(Any non-RN health professional involved in transplantation. Associate members are not entitled to vote, hold office or serve on committees on an international level but may participate in these activities in local ITNS chapters.)

Emerging Countries Members \$25/year \$100/3 years
ITNS is pleased to announce a reduced membership fee to allow transplant professionals from countries with emerging economies the opportunity to join the society at a reduced rate of \$25. For ITNS to support, these members will have access to all benefits in electronic format only, thus it is required that we have an e-mail address for this membership category. Countries are defined as low income and or an IDA lending status by the World Bank as of July 2006, or as a European Emerging Country by Europe. A list of countries is available at <http://itns.org/membership/reduced-rate>.

Check VISA MasterCard
3-digit code

_____ Expiry _____

Cardholder Signature: _____

Demographic Information

1. How many years have you been a nurse?

< 2 2-3 4-5 6-10 11-19 > 20

2. How many years in Transplantation?

< 2 2-3 4-5 6-10 11-15
 16-20 > 20

3. Work setting?

University Affiliated Military Academic
 Community/Private Registry Government
 Organ Procurement Other: _____

4. Area of employment?

Transplant Unit Clinical Research ICU
 Outpatient Pediatrics Other: _____

5. Your position?

Staff Nurse Charge/Team Leader
 Head/Assistant Head Nurse Nursing Admin
 Supervisor Transplant Coordinator
 In Service/Staff Development Instructor
 Clinical Nurse Specialist/Clinician
 Nurse Practitioner Other: _____

6. Which organ/tissue recipients do you care for?

Liver Kidney Composite Bone Marrow
 Lung Heart Pancreas Islet Cell
 Small Bowel Other: _____

7. Highest level of nursing education?

Student LVN/LPN RN RN ADN
 RN BS RN BSN RN Diploma Masters Degree
 NP Doctorate RN BScN DNSc

8. Do you care for pediatric recipients? Yes No

9. I would be interested in information for the ITNS Special Interest Groups (SIG)

Education Research Cardiothoracic
 Staff Nurse Pediatric Advanced Practice
 Other SIG Interest _____

Please send me information on the closest local ITNS chapter:

USA Canada Europe Starting a Chapter

I am also a member of: AACN ANNA EDTNA
 ETCO ISHLT NATCO ONS BTS
 Sigma Theta Tau Other: _____

ITNS occasionally provides or sells its membership list strictly for the dissemination of transplant-related educational announcements. If you would not like to receive this type of information, please place an 'X' in the box and your name will not be included when our list is distributed to other organizations and transplant-related companies.