COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course examines the impact of external forces on RN professional practice and patient advocacy role; it also addresses mechanisms through which RNs can build stronger organizations to secure RN control over safe staffing ratios and professional practice in Colorado acute-care settings; and identifies comprehensive strategies to build an RN social advocacy movement to achieve strong hospital patient and RN whistle-blower protection mandates.

COURSE OBJECTIVES

Upon completion of this class, participants will be able to:

1. Identify the external forces that affect RN practice and patient advocacy.
2. Describe the critical importance of the RN collective patient advocacy role in protecting our practice and our patients in all clinical settings.
3. Recognize and accept the RN leadership role in building an RN social advocacy movement for achieving safe RN-to-patient ratios in Colorado.
4. Articulate the effectiveness of safe staffing standards based on individual patient acuity with ratios as a minimum.
5. Articulate two reasons why strong patient protection and RN patient advocacy rights are critical for the provision of safe, therapeutic, effective, and competent patient care.
6. Demonstrate how collective grassroots patient advocacy strategies will have a positive impact on the adoption of these comprehensive and uniform healthcare standards.

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GENERAL INFORMATION

NNU reserves the right to substitute qualified faculty for those listed. Refreshments are included. Absolutely no recording or videotaping of courses allowed. Attendees must remain for the full day to receive CE credit.

DATE & LOCATION

Tuesday, January 25, 2011

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CLASS TIMES

9:00 am – 4:00 pm

REGISTRATION & FEE INFORMATION

Register early as space may be limited and pre-registration is required. Please register no later than one week before the class. Phone registrations are not available. Registrants should arrive 15 minutes prior to class and sign-in.

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