



## Arizona Transition to Practice Program for New to Specialty Nurses – emergency department

To help nurses who are interested in transitioning to a role in the emergency department, the Arizona Transition to Practice Program is offering access to two courses from the **Emergency Nurses Association (ENA)**: Clinical practice – novice pathway and triage curriculum.

The in-depth curriculum offers extensive information on a variety of topics meant to help the new nurse in the emergency department. Learners participate in the courses as independent study.

### Clinical practice – novice pathway

This tailored education package addresses the educational needs of a novice nurse by providing the foundational knowledge and initial competencies in caring for pediatric, adult and geriatric emergency department patients.

#### This pathway offers:

- Up to 22.25 continuing nurse education (CNE) contact hours.
- Three primary content categories include clinical, professional and well-being.
- A one-year ENA membership.
- Access to the ENA Mentorship Program.

#### The topics covered in this pathway include:

- Clinical content
  - Catheter-associated urinary tract infections
  - Emergency nursing documentation: Best practices and strategies
  - Emergency Severity Index® 2.0
  - Geriatric emergency nursing education level 1 2.0
  - Introduction to trauma, caring for adult patients 2.0
  - Introduction to trauma, caring for pediatric patients 2.0
  - Managing adult behavioral health in the emergency department 2.0
  - Medical toxicology
  - Pediatric behavioral health concerns in the emergency department
  - The emergency department nurse's role in a disaster
  - Medication mayhem



- Professional content
  - Structural racism in healthcare
- Well-being content
  - Workplace violence prevention course
  - Structural racism in healthcare
  - Healthy coping mechanisms

### **ENA triage curriculum**

A triage nurse must have exceptional critical thinking skills, clinical expertise, communication skills, compassion and a comprehensive understanding of triage as point-of-entry process. This new curriculum is a series of courses designed to build a comprehensive base of triage knowledge for the emergency nurse.

#### **The program offers:**

- Up to 11.25 continuing nurse education (CNE) contact hours for all eight courses.
- An emergency nurse the range of foundational knowledge needed to accurately triage patients.
- Content suitable for all levels of experience.

#### **The courses included are:**

- Introduction to triage
- Healthcare law in triage
- Communication and patient experience
- Emergency Severity Index® 2.0
- Symptom presentations and triage assessment
- Special population considerations
- Prioritizing
- Triage in disaster and mass casualty situations

**Questions about this program?** Email [TTPprogram@azhha.org](mailto:TTPprogram@azhha.org).