

Pharmacotherapeutics for Remote Area Nurses

Frequently Asked Questions

- **What does Pharmacotherapeutics for Remote Area Nurses involve?**

The pharmacotherapeutics course comprises 8 online modules and is designed to be completed over a 9 week period. Associated with the online modules are activities to provide practical application of medicine management concepts and principles, including clinical scenarios, personal reflection, online tutorials, and multiple choice quizzes. Recommended resources, references and clinical guidelines will be referred to throughout the modules and weblinks to these will be made available.

- **What happens after I register?**

Within 3 days you will receive an email acknowledging your registration and providing you with details on how to access the course.

- **Am I able to complete this course if I have limited access to the internet?**

There is a requirement that you have reasonable internet access, as the assessments, many of the resources and tutorials will be conducted online. However the learning modules, some extended readings and tutorial slides are available as PDF documents to download and access offline. The assessment activities, including MCQ quizzes and interactive case study, must be completed online. However these activities are not time limited and may be exited and re-entered at the same point at a later time, without the loss of previous answers.

- **What if I am away for part of the 9 week course? Will I fall behind?**

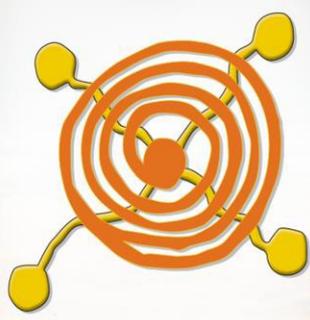
Each module is estimated to take 3 hours to complete, with additional time for extended readings and online activities. As it is a self-paced activity and you may complete it at the pace that best suits you. The online activities, including discussion boards and tutorials developed to help facilitate the learning process, are scheduled throughout the course. Tutorials are recorded and made available for viewing for those unable to attend. If you know you will have interruptions during the 9 weeks, it will be up to you to manage your time. You have access to the course for 12 weeks from the commencement date.

- **What happens when I complete Pharmacotherapeutics for RANs?**

A Certificate of Completion will be emailed to all participants who successfully complete the requirements of all modules and the interactive case study. If you have not received your certificate within a week of completing course requirements please contact CRH Short Course Administrator (crh.shortcourse@flinders.edu.au).

- **What happens if I am unable to complete Pharmacotherapeutics for RANs within the timeframe?**

Pharmacotherapeutics for RANs (online) is designed as a 9 week course. The expectation is participants will complete one module a week. Participants will have access to the course materials for a period of 12 weeks from commencement date to complete all components of the course. After this time extensions will only be approved in extenuating circumstances.



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- **How long is the Pharmacotherapeutics course valid?**

The necessity to update the Pharmacotherapeutics certificate is determined by your employer. This is not something that CRH stipulates. It is recommended that you follow up with your employer how long they recognise the Pharmacotherapeutics certificate.

- **Is Pharmacotherapeutics for Remote Area Nurses accredited for CPD points?**

Pharmacotherapeutics for Remote Area Nurses is not accredited for CPD points by AHPRA. However, it is estimated to involve 30 hours of self-directed learning, assessments and online activities that you may include in your professional portfolio.

- **I have previously completed Pharmacotherapeutics for Remote Area Nurses; is the online course the same?**

The online Pharmacotherapeutics course covers the same topics as the face-to-face Pharmacotherapeutics course. In recent years there have been a number of changes in practice, including new legislation, updated guidelines and changes in management of medical conditions to align with evidence. Pharmacotherapeutics for Remote Area Nurses will assist you in identifying current guidelines, up-to-date evidence-based resources and gaining an appreciation of recommended practice.

- **Is there a limit to the number of people who can undertake the course at any one time?**

No, the number of participants in any course is unlimited.

- **What happens if I want to withdraw from the course?**

Refer to the Refund Guidelines located on the Centre for Remote Health website.