EPILEPSY

Treatment and Medication Selection

A Patient-Safety CPE On Demand (Self-Study) Activity

The goal of this activity is to educate pharmacists on epilepsy treatment and medication selection, as well as provide perspectives of patients, physicians, pharmacists and insurers on medication selection to treat epilepsy.

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Upon successful completion of this knowledge-based CPE activity, pharmacists should be able to:

1. Discuss medications used to treat epileptic seizures and "clinical pearls" related to treatment
2. Utilize the basic concepts of bioequivalency in making decisions about generic substitution of antiepileptic medications
3. Identify patients who are and are not candidates for antiepileptic medication generic substitution
4. Describe the insurer's perspective in regard to epilepsy medication selection
5. Manage the continuity of epilepsy medication supply to avoid unnecessary disruptions of treatment
6. Effectively communicate with physicians regarding generic substitution of antiepileptic medications
7. Educate patients and/or caregivers on the risk of generic substitution of antiepileptic medications

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Activity Fee:
No Cost (but registration is required online)

Dr. Welty reports he is a clinical investigator for the Equigen Study on generic substitution of lamotrigine, funded by the FDA, Epilepsy Foundation and American Epilepsy Society. He is also a co-investigator for the Pregabalin monotherapy study funded by Pfizer.
CEI has taken steps to resolve any potential conflicts through a peer review process involving 2 independent reviewers who serve on the Epilepsy Treatment and Education Task Force formed during the 2011 Iowa Legislative session.

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Designation: Patient-Safety CPE Activity Target Audience: Pharmacists

To obtain 1.0 contact hours of continuing pharmacy education credit (0.10 CEU), participants must participate in the On Demand activity, then complete the exam and evaluation located in your online portfolio. A CPE Statement of Credit will be automatically generated upon achieving a passing grade of 70% on the 5-question exam and completion of the activity evaluation*. You may print this CPE Statement of Credit; it will also be stored in your online CEI portfolio for you to retrieve a copy at any time. If you have recorded your CPE Monitor e-profile ID in your CEI profile prior to completing this activity, record of your successful participation will be sent to CPE Monitor within 45 days. See www.GoToCEI.org for more information.
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Activity Format & Technology Requirements:
This on-demand activity includes participating in the on-demand webinar via the internet. Upon registration, pharmacists may access the activity and associated materials through their portfolio on the CEI website. Handouts are available for printing prior to participation in the webinar.

To ensure the highest quality delivery of this activity, a reliable high-speed internet connection is required. You may experience problems with some wireless connections where signal strength is variable or low. When using a Mac, select Adobe Reader® as the format to open the handouts, and they will be accessible to open and print.

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