

# Community Forum

## Pathway of the Prescription: Next Steps

This is a follow up session to the "Pathway of the Prescription" community forum. Presenters will identify the historical impact on current state and national strategies to improve safety, and increase knowledge of all health professionals on their role in the cultural change in opioid use. Gaps in knowledge regarding Opioid Epidemic, appropriate and safe use, storage, and destruction of medications will also be discussed.

At the conclusion of the program, the participant will be able to:

- ▶ Review the history of opioid use and the impact of the current opioid epidemic in the U.S.
- ▶ Review national and state legislation to mitigate the opioid epidemic
- ▶ Assess resources available to health care practitioners to provide guidance in managing acute and chronic pain
- ▶ Discuss strategies that health care practitioners can undertake to serve their patients and communities in combatting this epidemic

### Speakers:

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*Director, Department of Anesthesiology –  
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**NURSING:** Mid-Carolina AHEC, Inc. is an approved provider of continuing nursing education by the South Carolina Nurse Association, an accredited approver with distinction, by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation. This nursing continuing education activity approval #1510-040-PR-341 has been approved for 2.5 hours. **AHEC:** This program is approved for 0.25 CEU's (2.5 clock hours) of continuing education by Mid-Carolina AHEC, Inc. and meets the SC AHEC Best Practices Standards. Participants must attend 90% of the program in order to receive a certificate of attendance. **No partial credit will be given.** **SOCIAL WORKERS:** This program has been approved by the SC Board of Social Work Examiners for 2.5 clock hours of (NON-social work) continuing education. **COUNSELORS & THERAPISTS:** This program has been pre-approved for 2.5 hours of continuing education by SC AHEC under its accreditation by the SC Board of Examiners for Licensure of Professional Counselors, Marriage and Family Therapists and Psycho-Educational Specialists. **LONG TERM CARE ADMINISTRATORS:** This program is pending approval by the South Carolina Board of Long Term Care Administrators for 2.5 hours. (Approval # \_\_\_\_\_). **MEDICAL ASSISTANTS:** This program qualifies for U hours of NON AAMA continuing education for recertification. **PHARMACY:** The University of South Carolina College of Pharmacy is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education as a provider of continuing pharmacy education. This is a knowledge-based program. This program is accredited for a total of 2.5 live contact hours (0.25 CEUs) for pharmacists (0062-9999-18-133-L03-P). To claim credit, participants must sign-in at the beginning of the session and attend the entire session (there is no charge to attend). No partial credit will be issued. Participants must complete an online evaluation within 30 days (providing their correct NABP e-profile number and day/month of birth) in order to ensure credit is reported to the NABP CPE Monitor. Any credit claimed greater than 60 days from the date of the program will not be accepted by the NABP CPE Monitor. **EMT:** This workshop is pending approval for all levels of certified Emergency Medical Technicians in South Carolina. The DHEC number for this workshop is \_\_\_\_\_. Workshop pending approval for 2.5 category-Medical.

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**Tuesday, June 19th, 1:00p – 3:30p**

**@ Greenville Hospital System - Grove Road - Robert E. Coleman Medical Staff Auditorium**

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