

IBHRE Releases Online Course for Heart Rhythm Practitioners

Nov. 19, 2018, Washington, DC—Today, IBHRE announced the release of its first online course for practitioners in the field of heart rhythm management. The *Cardiac Device Education and Self-Assessment Course (CDESA)* is designed for physicians and allied professionals, including representatives of device manufacturing companies, who seek to confirm their knowledge on the latest in cardiac device therapy. It is also an excellent study resource for students and fellows of electrophysiology and cardiology programs.

“This is an educational resource that practitioners have requested for quite a while and we’re pleased to offer it,” said Tracy Lofty, IBHRE executive director. “As a certifying board, our mission is not just to grant certification, but to enhance heart rhythm professionals’ skills, knowledge, and their ability to deliver quality patient care.”

The information-packed online course includes 18 modules on topics covered in IBHRE’s Certified Cardiac Device Specialist (CCDS) Exam Blueprint. Developed by subject matter experts and heart rhythm practitioners, the course reviews a broad range of topics from algorithms to remote monitoring to surgical techniques. These and other important topics are addressed under the following categories:

- Applied Science and Technology
- Clinical Trials and Indications
- Surgical Considerations
- Device and Patient Management

The self-paced course delivers content through a variety of study methods:

- Case studies and patient scenarios;
- High quality medical images and info graphics to enhance the study experience;
- Knowledge checks to help gauge the student’s learning;
- Post assessments at the end of each module to elevate retention;
- A 100-question post assessment that can be taken multiple times; and
- A glossary of terms to reference.

“This online course serves as a great resource for heart rhythm professionals who plan to sit for the CCDS exam,” said Lofty. “Of course, completing the course does not guarantee successful completion of the exam; however, it does provide a robust educational review for anyone looking to stay abreast of the latest developments in heart rhythm management.”

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The International Board of Heart Rhythm Examiners® has set the standard for global certification in heart rhythm management since 1985. IBHRE offers competency certification to physicians and allied professionals to provide quality patient care in cardiac pacing and electrophysiology. Certifications offered are the Certified Cardiac Device Specialist (CCDS), the Certified Cardiac Device Specialist- Japan Device Representative (CCDS-JDR), the Certified Electrophysiology Specialist (CEPS), the Certified Electrophysiology Specialist – Adult (CEPS-A), and the Certified Electrophysiology Specialist – Pediatric (CEPS-P).

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