Malignant Hyperthermia - *Are You Ready?*

3 hour program – times decided by facility & presenter

**Presenter:** Joy Pfeffer, BSN, RN, Clinical Educator, RWHC

**Target Audience:** All staff who work in surgery departments and post anesthesia care units: CRNAs, RNs, techs, assistants. Also any house supervisors, hospitalists.

**Program Description:** This program is done on-site. First, an up-to-date presentation is given, explaining the condition and its treatment; then a real time Malignant Hyperthermia drill is performed using real equipment & meds. Debriefing after the drill will include suggestions for improvement. Although MH is a rare occurrence, it can be deadly. After this program, staff will feel more confident if this emergency arises.

**Program Objectives:** Participants will learn to:

1. Verbalize basic pathophysiology of Malignant Hyperthermia
2. Recognize signs and symptoms of Malignant Hyperthermia
3. List treatments necessary in this emergency
4. Participate in a Malignant Hyperthermia drill
5. Understand importance of the facility’s preparedness for Malignant Hyperthermia

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