**CVTeam Lunch & Learn Educational Series**

**LVADs: Who, What, Where, When, & Why**

**March 20, 2024 | Virtual Event**

**Activity Overview**

This activity will enhance the CVTeam's ability to assess cardiovascular patients in the clinic setting by presenting new information about therapies.

**Target Audience**

This activity is designed for an audience of nurses, pharmacists, physician assistants and nurse practitioners who treat and manage cardiovascular diseases.

**Learning Objectives**

Upon completion of the educational activity, participants should be able to:

* Identify the indications for LVAD (Left Ventricular Assist Device) therapy.
* Review basic LVAD design and function and the pump.
* Demonstrate how to identify expired LVAD equipment and who to contact.
* Discuss common complications in the long-term LVAD patient.

**Criteria for Success**

Statements of credit will be awarded based on the participant's attendance. A statement of credit will be available upon completion of an online evaluation/claim credit form available at:

**akhcme.com/PAACC**

**Please claim your credit by March 31, 2024**.

If you have questions about this CE activity, please contact AKH Inc at JGoldman@akhcme.com.



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**Nurses**

Credit being awarded: 1.0 ANCC contact hour

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AKH Inc., Advancing Knowledge in Healthcare designates this continuing education activity for 1.0 contact hour.

**Physician Assistant**

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