

BC Centre for Excellence in HIV/AIDS

Online Course: HIV Prevention

Course Syllabus

Welcome!

Thank you for your interest in the online course *HIV Prevention*.

Below you will find the course syllabus and some further information about the course.

Introduction:

The BC Centre for Excellence in HIV/AIDS (BC-CfE) has developed this online course for all health care professionals in the province of BC to support their continuing medical education needs. This course is designed to allow learners to access up-to-date knowledge on the use of HIV pre- and post-exposure chemoprophylaxis for HIV prevention. The course is informed by updated BC-CfE pre- and post-exposure prophylaxis guidelines, the principles of Treatment as Prevention® and Targeted Disease Elimination™, and will offer new skills and knowledge applicable to clinical practice and quality patient care.

Course Requirements:

For all health care professionals taking this course, commitment to professional development is your greatest requirement. Please note, that this course is tailored to individuals who already have a certain level of HIV-related knowledge. If you find that the course contents are too advanced for you at this time, please contact education@bccfe.ca and we will be happy to provide you with alternative learning materials.

The course is an open enrollment course, which allows participants to register at any time during the year. This course is available at no cost to participants.

Course Objectives:

Upon completion of this course, participants will be able to:

- 1) Assess levels of risk for acquiring HIV infection following potential exposures in occupational and non-occupational settings, including sexual assault.
- 2) Describe the current recommendations in the province of British Columbia regarding strategies for the prevention of HIV infection, including post-exposure and pre-exposure chemoprophylaxis.
- 3) Explain and implement the principles of risk-reduction counselling for individuals at risk of acquiring HIV infection.

Course Design:

- This online course is hosted through BC Centre for Excellence in HIV/AIDS Education and Training Website
- The course content is divided into 7 learning modules, and 1 module with case discussions and an interactive workbook component based on case studies presented.
- Each module consists of a specific learning topic
- The required course content (readings) for each topic consists of one PowerPoint presentation with explanatory notes.
- There are 6 multiple-choice quizzes
- Links to clinical resources, guidelines, and additional references are found at the end of each module and in a resource module

Learning Modules:

Each of the 8 modules is presented as a power-point presentation with explanatory notes. Please see below list of course modules and topics:

- Module 1: Background to HIV Prevention
- Module 2: HIV Post-Exposure Prophylaxis
- Module 3: HIV Exposure in Sexual Assault
- Module 4: Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis (PrEP)
- Module 5: Antiretroviral use for HIV Prevention
- Module 6: Strategies for Risk Reduction in HIV Prevention
- Module 7: How to Access PEP and PrEP in BC
- Module 8: Case Studies (includes a workbook exercise)
- Additional Resources

Duration of the Course & Quizzes:

The course will take you approximately 8 hours to complete, depending on your own speed. At the end of each module, there is a quiz to give you feedback on your learning progress.

Course Assessments/Quizzes:

In order to receive a certificate of completion, all 6 module quizzes are required to be completed, with a minimum grade of 70%. Each quiz is composed of multiple-choice questions that are related to the content of the learning module. The course assessments have been designed so that students can review the material during the quiz if necessary.

Certificate of completion & 8 Mainpro+ Credits for Physicians:

After you completed the learning modules and completed the quizzes, a certificate will be provided. This 1-credit-per-hour Self-Learning program has been certified by the College of Family Physicians of Canada for up to 8 Mainpro+ credits.

Contact Information for any questions:

For more information about the online course or any questions, please contact education@bccfe.ca