FAQ for the

APSHO Cancer Therapy Prescribing Course

About the course:

- Is the content applicable for both solid tumor and blood cancers?

 Yes! The course covers both solid and liquid tumor cancer therapies and is appropriate for advanced practitioners in both hematology and oncology.
- Do you have to take the entire 25-hour course or can you select certain modules? The CTPC is accredited as a complete entity. To obtain the continuing education, you must successfully complete the entire 25-hour course.
- How much pharmacology credit does the APSHO CTPC offer?
 This course offers 24 hours of pharmacology continuing education credit.
- Is this a certification course?

 The CTPC is not a board certification. It offers a certificate of successful completion with notice of the continuing education credits earned.
- Will I be able to prescribe cancer therapies independently after successful completion of this course?

The CTPC offers advanced knowledge required to safely prescribe cancer therapies. It is up to your institution's discretion and your state governing bodies to offer you prescribing privileges. APSHO recommends mentored time with a skilled and knowledgeable provider after successful completion of this course.

- Is this course appropriate for pharmacists?
 - Yes! This course offers in-depth, advanced education about cancer therapies that includes individual drugs, side effects, black box warnings, and more, and information regarding how to manage patients on these therapies.
- Who wrote this course?
 - The APSHO CTPC was created by experienced hematology/oncology advanced practitioners: pharmacists, nurse practitioners, physician assistants, and clinical nurse specialists. The outline for the course was developed by an APSHO taskforce, and the faculty were chosen for their expertise in various areas. The content has undergone multiple iterations of peer review.
- Is this course appropriate for the AP new to oncology/hematology?
 Yes! This course provides information for the AP new to oncology/hematology as well as up-to-date knowledge for the experienced oncology/hematology AP.
- How interactive is this course?
 - This course contains video presentations, quizzes (called Knowledge Checks) and a final exam at the end of each module. Some of the modules also have downloadable resources.

• Can I download the slides?

No, due to copyright issues, we cannot release slides or transcripts in complete form.

What is the cost of the course?

The cost for a non-APSHO member is \$625. The cost for an APSHO member is \$500 for a savings of \$125. Membership to ASPHO is only \$95 – so adding the APSHO membership to the course still saves the participant \$30 plus all the benefits of APSHO members. Check out the benefits of APSHO membership at https://www.apsho.org/page/BecomeAMember#memberlisting1-pricing

Taking the course:

Can I choose which part of the module that I take first?
 No, once you have started a module you are required to take it in the order that the content is presented.

• How much time do I have to complete the course?

The course will be available for 2 years from time of release. It is sectioned into 19 modules, and within each module there are shorter sections lasting between 10 and 30 minutes. You are able to see how long each module section takes and plan accordingly.

- Will I receive a grade on the Knowledge Check questions?
 No, the Knowledge Check questions are for you to gauge your own learning as you proceed through each module. You do NOT have to get a certain percentage of Knowledge Check questions correct to earn your certificate of completion and CE credits
- How many times can I take retake a post-test?

 Successful completion of the CTPC course requires passing each module's post-tests with 70% or higher. You can take the post-test up to 3 times.

Benefits of the CTPC:

Could this course be utilized for onboarding an AP?

Yes! The APSHO CTPC would be an ideal tool to include in an onboarding program. This course combined with appropriate mentoring (as required by your institution) would provide a broad-based understanding of what is required to safely prescribe and manage cancer therapies.

- I have been an oncology AP for years. Is this course appropriate for me?
 Yes! The APSHO CTPC is a thorough review that provides up-to-date information on various cancer therapies. It is also a great way to obtain continuing education credits, especially pharmacology credits. Successful completion of this course may also demonstrate to institutions your ability to practice to the top of your licensure.
- Can the APSHO CTPC be used in an AP fellowship curriculum?

 Yes! This course is ideal to include in an AP fellowship curriculum. This course and appropriate mentoring (as required by your institution) would provide a broad-based understanding of what is required to safely prescribe and manage cancer therapies.

• Can registered nurses take this course?

Yes! The course is written by and for advanced practitioners in hematology/oncology. But it may be appropriate for advanced practice registered nurses or those who are planning to pursue an advanced degree.

Who should I contact for support?

- I think I found an error. What should I do?
 If you find anything you feel might be in error, please let us know as soon as possible.
 Contact info@APSHO.org or call 609-832-3000
- I have a question that was not answered on this document. Who do I contact?
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