Benzodiazepines: Pharmacology to Co-Prescribing Risks and Concerns
Warren Alpert Medical School of Brown University
222 Richmond Street, Providence, RI 02912

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Program Description
This program will address the growing problem of benzodiazepine prescribing alone and in combination with other opioids. The program is targeted to prescribers of all controlled substances and designed to be a practical understanding of this topic as well as reminding prescribers of the pharmacological and epidemiological principles that underlay this issue.

After attending these programs, prescribers will change their prescribing habits to be more aligned with safer alternatives, which more appropriately address chronic conditions such as non-cancer pain, anxiety, and unique issues associated with the elderly.

This two-part didactic program will feature question and answer sessions and will be recorded and available on-demand.

Who Should Attend
Physicians, physician assistants, advanced practice pharmacists, APRNs, residents, & fellows who prescribe controlled substances.

Educational Objective
At the conclusion of these activities, participants should be able to:
• Describe the epidemiology of opioid and benzodiazepine overprescribing in the United States and its consequences
• Define effective uses for benzodiazepines
• Explain the current lack of evidence for effectiveness of benzodiazepines used concurrently with opioid analogesics
• Describe the population of patients with pain who are more likely to receive concurrent benzodiazepine therapy
• Describe alternative approaches to treatment of pain aside from the combined use of opioids and benzodiazepines
• Describe the assessment of pain & approaches to safe opioid use

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<td>3:30–4:00 PM</td>
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| 4:00–5:30 | Issues In Benzodiazepine Pharmacology  
Robert L. Dufresne, PhD, PhD, BCPS, BCPP and Jessica M. Hawthorne, PharmD |
| 5:30–5:45 | Break |
| 5:45–6:45 | Opioids and Benzodiazepines: An Overview of the Clinical Issues in Pain Management  
Elinore F. McCance-Katz, MD, PhD |
| 6:45–7:00 | Question & Answer Session/Closing Remarks |
| 7:00 PM | Adjourn |
| 3:30–4:00 PM | Registration |
| 4:00–5:00 | The Role of Benzodiazepines in the Treatment of Anxiety  
Tae Woo Park, MD, MSc. |
| 5:00–5:10 | Break |
| 5:10–6:10 | Role of Benzodiazepines in the Elderly  
Angela Haliburda, DO |
| 6:10–6:30 | Break |
| 6:30–7:30 | Epidemiology of Benzodiazepine Prescribing in Rhode Island  
Traci C. Green, PhD, MSc |
| 7:30 PM | Adjourn |

Credit Designation
Physicians: The Warren Alpert Medical School of Brown University designates this live activity for a maximum of 2.75 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

This program qualifies for 2.75 hours CME Credit in Risk Management and Opioid Pain Management/Chronic Pain Management, two of the required areas of section 6.0; 6.2.1 RI CME re-licensure requirements.

Other Allied Health Professionals: Participants will receive a Certificate of Attendance stating this program is designated for 2.75 hours AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™. This credit is accepted by the AANP, AAPA, and RI Pharmacy re-licensure.

Registration Fee: $20.00 (Includes refreshments & parking.)

Register Online: https://apps.biomed.brown.edu/cme_registration
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Accreditation
This activity has been planned and implemented in accordance with the accreditation requirements and policies of the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) through the joint providership of the Warren Alpert Medical School of Brown University and the Rhode Island Department of Health Academic Center. The Warren Alpert Medical School of Brown University is accredited by the ACCME to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

Conference Location and Parking
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Parking will be available in the parking garage adjacent to the Medical Building. Enter through the Eddy Street Entrance (333 Eddy Street on Google Maps) and take a ticket from the machine. You may park on any level of the garage and can exit using either the Eddy Street or Elm Street exits.

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