

SPEAKER



Rachel Cartwright-Vanzant has 29 years of clinical and consulting experience. Rachel is a legal nurse consultant certified (LNCC) and a licensed healthcare risk manager (LHRM). She is a member of the National

Speakers Association (NSA) and Women Speakers Association (WSA). She is a published author in peer reviewed journals and textbooks. In addition to owning a medical and legal consulting business, she is currently working on her PhD in Public Policy and Administration: Law and Policy. Rachel works with law firms and healthcare organizations evaluating medical records for compliance with standards of care and applicable regulations. She has been an expert witness for medical negligence cases for both the plaintiff and the defense. She has been speaking to and training healthcare providers for over 15 years.

Rachel is an innovative educator committed to advancing the field of nursing and she has the ability to make complex concepts understandable and clinically useful, which adds significant value to her presentation.

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If you were required to testify in court in defense of the care you provided to a patient, would your documentation be adequate to protect you from legal liability? If the care you provided came under scrutiny months or years after it occurred, would your documentation enable you to accurately describe the standard of care delivered to the patient? If you are not absolutely certain, you do not want to miss this program!

During this in-depth, interactive seminar, you will have the opportunity to review real court cases and learn from the actual testimonies provided by nurses' depositions. Rachel Cartwright, an independent legal nurse consultant, with over 29 years of clinical, management, and consulting experience, will provide you with the information you need to ensure that your documentation, whether hand-written or electronic, depicts a level of care that meets or exceeds applicable standards.

Learn how to identify and avoid risky documentation and integrate practice that will keep your license unblemished. What you learn will be immediately applicable to your practice and may keep you out of the courtroom.

OBJECTIVES

At the completion of this seminar, you will be able to:

1. Describe the application of the Nurse Practice Act/Laws to documenting care of patients.
2. List ten ways to keep your documentation notes and charts out of the courtroom.
3. Integrate the correct practices into your documentation notes to keep your license unblemished.
4. List at least three ways to safeguard electronic documentation.
5. Utilize actual medical malpractice cases to learn how to improve your documentation.
6. Compare and contrast the different forms of nursing documentation and how they are used in the courtroom.
7. Demonstrate how to incorporate the meaningful use requirements as a part of your documentation.

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SEMINAR SCHEDULE:

7:30 Check-in
 8:00 Program begins
 12:00—1:00 Lunch *on your own*
 4:00 Program ends
(mid-morning and mid-afternoon breaks)

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Setting the Stage

- Many people read medical records during a lawsuit
 - Medical records are just as important as testimony
- ### Legal and Ethical Implications of Documentation
- “Get it right the first time”
 - Standards of Care/Documentation
 - Incident reports

Admissible Forms of Documentation

- Common documentation mistakes
- Assessment
- Plan of Care
- Medications/Interventions
- Patient education and responses

Charting Systems

- Narrative/Block/By Exception
- SOAPE/PIE/DAR/Focus
- Electronic entries

Avoiding Legally Risky Documentation

- Credible evidence
- Maintaining factuality & thoroughness
- Ambiguity and bias
- Abbreviations to avoid
- Late entries and personnel notes
- Error corrections

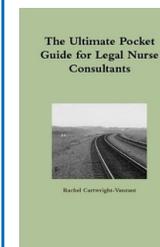
Bioethical Dilemmas

- End-of-life
- HIPAA

Civil vs. Criminal

- Falsifying and covering up
- Tampering

Analyze a Real Case Scenario



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