
Faculty and Disclosure Information for “The Link Between Erectile Dysfunction, Cardiovascular Disease, Diabetes, and Depression”

Target Audience

This activity is developed for primary care physicians and urologists.

Statement of Need

Despite availability of effective prescription medications for erectile dysfunction (ED) and advertising campaigns to raise awareness, only a small percentage of estimated patients with ED are being evaluated and treated in clinical practice. Patients feel stigmatized by the diagnosis of ED and are embarrassed to discuss it. Facilitating that first conversation between patient and physician remains a challenge.

Learning Objectives

Upon completion of this activity, participants should be better able to:

1. Utilize appropriate assessment criteria in evaluating common sexual dysfunctions in order to address accurately the pathophysiology and management of erectile dysfunction (ED) in patients.
2. Recognize the difference between various pharmacologic agents for treatment, using that awareness to choose the most appropriate strategy for individualized care.
3. Discuss the complications of ED in relation to comorbidities including cardiovascular disease, diabetes, obesity, smoking cessation, and depressive disorders.
4. Incorporate effective patient counseling and management styles through the use of case studies to better counsel and manage the ED patient.

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The estimated time to complete this activity is 2.5 hour(s).

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