OBJECTIVES

This continuing nursing educational (CNE) activity is designed for nurses and other health care professionals who care for and educate patients and their families regarding antihypertensive medications. For those wishing to obtain CNE credit, an evaluation follows. After studying the information presented in this article, the nurse will be able to:

1. Define hypertension.
2. List the different classes of medications used to treat hypertension.
3. Discuss the pharmacotherapeutics and pharmacodynamics of these medications.
4. Identify appropriate antihypertensive drugs for different populations.
5. Review the side effects of antihypertensive agents.

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