

# Role of the Nurse



Purpose: This class helps prepare nurses for their unique role in a Green House home. It takes the Green House Core Values of Real Home, Meaningful Life, and Empowered Staff and applies them to the specific position of Green House nurse. Role of the Nurse is a direct-to-learner class which offers practical advice and education to best help nurses meet the needs of elders and collaborate with other members of the care team.



## OVERVIEW

Role of the Nurse is a one-day virtual class to equip nurses to be effective clinical partners with Shahbazim in Green House homes. It helps nurses ensure clinical care excellence for all elders and covers topics such as partnerships with Shahbazim, dignity of risk, and polypharmacy. This class is highly interactive and provides an opportunity to engage with other nurses across the Green House network. Participants are able to earn up to six nursing credit hours.



## SESSION GOALS

- Recognize the unique role and influence of a Green House nurse.
- Learn how to form partnerships with Shahbazim built on trust, respect, shared problem solving, and reciprocal feedback.
- Reconsider how to best evaluate dignity of risk and the nurse's role as advocate for elders.
- Describe and implement a liberalized, elder-directed medication pass.
- Understand the adverse effects of polypharmacy (the use of multiple medications) and how to avoid polypharmacy while simultaneously developing well-being plans for elders who display regular distress.



## WHAT PEOPLE ARE SAYING

- ” *This session has provided me with necessary tools to ensure that Elders are the focal point of care.*
- ” *This class will improve my performance in advocating for elders, as well as in mentoring and teaching Shahbazim to provide adequate care for the elders.*
- ” *I cannot wait to implement (even more) elder centered care.*



Role of the Nurse is part of the role-specific curriculum from the Green House Learning and Growth Center.

## DETAILS

- 6 hours of nursing contact hours will be awarded
  - The Green House Project is an approved provider of continuing nursing education by Maryland Nurses Association, an accredited approver by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation.
- Virtual, Zoom-based training
- Up to six nurses from a site gather together virtually with other GH nurses from across the country

## AUDIENCE

- Open to Green House adopters and cultural transformation sites
- Nurses - RNs and LPNs