A Prescription for Success
The Board Review Course & Update (BRCU) focuses on key information needed to prepare for the American Board of Internal Medicine (ABIM) Nephrology Board Certification and Maintenance of Certification (MOC) Examinations. ASN structures and schedules this course to maximize participants’ readiness for these examinations. This course also provides a comprehensive and indispensable update for practicing nephrologists.

Learning Objectives
At the conclusion of this activity, the participant will be able to:
1. Interpret the fundamental concepts of nephrology in the areas of kidney function/structure; fluid and electrolytes; glomerular/vascular disorders; tubulointerstitial disorders; bone/mineral metabolism, and stones; hypertension; AKI and ICU nephrology; CKD, ESRD, and dialysis; and transplantation;
2. Formulate diagnostic and therapeutic options for the management of kidney disease; and
3. Test individual medical practice competence against a series of simulated patient/case scenarios.

BRCU Format
Each BRCU topic section and its applicable time allocation are patterned after the ABIM Nephrology Certification Examination Blueprint. Lectures, interactive case discussions, and panel Q&A sessions reinforce key knowledge in nephrology. Relevant physiology and pathophysiology blend with clinical discussions to keep participants engaged and to provide essential updates and preparation.

Target Audience
- Practicing Nephrologists: Practicing nephrologists in all key areas of the specialty. The course also benefits pediatric nephrologists, intensivists, and hospitalists.
- Board Examination Participants: Individuals are thoroughly prepared for upcoming Certification and MOC exams.
- Nephrology Fellows: Fellows seeking a detailed outline and discussion of what their current fellowship program should include.
- Fellowship in ASN: The 63.50 CME credit hours earned can be applied towards the 70 hours required to qualify for FASN status.

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