

## ***Nursing: Opening Doors to Evidence-based Addictions Care in Clinical, Research, Educational, and Policy Domains***

*presented by*

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**Learning Objectives:** *As a result of participating in this Live Activity, participants should be able to:*

- 1. Describe and practice the social justice and ethics foundations of nursing.*
- 2. Discuss and promote clinical structures for supportive and evidence-based substance use treatment.*
- 3. Apply and promote strategies to advance education in substance-related services.*

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