LEARNING OBJECTIVES: HEART FAILURE.

- 1. Apply the pathophysiology of heart failure (HF) to the rationale for specific drug therapies for HF with reduced ejection fraction (EF) and HF with preserved EF.
- 2. Evaluate the clinical signs and symptoms of HF, and determine the need for referral to a higher level of care.
- 3. Given a patient case, categorize a patient's HF into the appropriate New York Heart Association functional class and American Heart Association HF stage.
- 4. Design both a nonpharmacologic and a pharmacologic treatment plan based on a patient's HF stage.
- 5. Distinguish between HF interventions that provide symptomatic benefit, reduce hospitalizations, and/or prolong survival.
- 6. Justify the need for pharmacist involvement in optimizing medication management of HF in an ambulatory setting.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES: PHARMACOTHERAPY CONSIDERATIONS BEFORE AND AFTER CARDIAC SURGERY.

- Construct an effective pharmacotherapy plan for outpatients in anticipation of elective cardiothoracic surgery.
- 2. Devise drug therapy regimens aimed at optimizing long-term outcomes for patients after surgical coronary revascularization.
- 3. Design a treatment plan for preventing thrombotic complications after valve replacement surgery.
- 4. Develop a pharmacotherapy plan for a patient after a mechanical circulatory support device implant, considering both the complications related to long-term device support and the physiologic effect of mechanical circulatory unloading on other chronic diseases.
- 5. Compose a post–cardiac transplant pharmacotherapeutic strategy that includes immunosuppression and infection prophylaxis.
- 6. Design a management plan for the comorbidities present in cardiac transplant recipients.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES: CLINICAL PHARMACY SERVICES IN CARDIOLOGY.

- 1. Distinguish between types of clinical pharmacist–provided cardiology services.
- 2. Justify the development of clinical pharmacist–provided cardiology services.
- 3. Compose a plan to develop a new cardiology service managed by pharmacists.
- 4. Analyze the metrics used to measure outcomes related to the implementation of a clinical pharmacy cardiology service.
- 5. Assess the available pharmacist credentials applicable to clinical pharmacy specialists in cardiology.