Information for continuing education (CE) credit

2021 Supply Chain Leadership Series: Spotlight on Operational Excellence – NorthShore University HealthSystem

Activity date: February 23, 2021

Course director: Molly Zmuda, MHA

Vizient is committed to complying with the criteria set forth by the accrediting agencies in order to provide this quality course. To receive credit for educational activities, you must successfully complete all course requirements.

**Requirements**

1. Attend the course in its entirety
2. After the course, you will receive an email with instructions and an access code that you will need to obtain your CE credit
3. **Complete the process no later than Thursday, April 8, 2021.**

Upon successful completion of the course requirements, you will be able to print your CE certificate.

**Learning objectives**

1. Explain the value of benchmark data against cohorts of similar organizations as a key driver for targeting improvement activities for the healthcare supply chain.
2. Describe how price management, purchase management, transaction efficiency, purchase standardization, clinical integration and supplier diversity can each contribute to supply chain operational excellence.
3. Discuss leading or emerging practices among supply chain leaders and staff contributing to organizational efforts to advance supply chain strategy, enhance operational efficiencies, reduce unfavorable variation and impact the cost of care.

### CEU

Vizient, Inc. will award CEUs to each participant who successfully completes this program. The CEU is a nationally recognized unit of measure for continuing education and training programs that meet certain criteria (1 contact hour = 0.1 CEU).

**CONFLICT OF INTEREST/CONTENT VALIDATION POLICY:**

As an accredited provider of continuing medical education/continuing education Vizient is dedicated to ensuring balance, independence, objectivity, and scientific rigor in all of its CME/CE activities. Vizient requires all potential faculty and program planners, in advance, to disclose financial relationships with relevant commercial interests. Vizient uses that information to determine whether prospective contributors have potential conflicts of interest. If significant relationships are disclosed, Vizient assesses how those potential conflicts of interest may affect CME/CE content. Vizient requires that all conflicts of interest be resolved prior to participation in the activity. Vizient is committed to resolving potential conflicts of interest, although if contributors have significant relationships that cannot be reconciled, Vizient reserves the right to prohibit participation. Faculty presenters are also expected to disclose any discussion of (1) off-label or investigational uses of FDA approved commercial products or devices or (2) products or devices not yet approved in the United States.

### DISCLOSURE STATEMENTS:

### Current accrediting agency guidelines and Vizient policy state that participants in educational activities should be made aware of any affiliation or financial interest that may affect the presentation and if there will be any discussion of unapproved or investigative use of commercial products/devices. Each planning committee member, reviewer and presenter has completed a Disclosure of Relevant Financial Relationships form.

Relevant financial relationships: Planning committee members and presenters have nothing to disclose.

### Planning committee members

**Molly Zmuda, MHA**

Associate Vice President

Vizient

**Rosemary Curran, MBA**

Associate Vice President, Media Productions

Vizient

**Ian O’Malley, MS**

Director of Strategic Sourcing

University of Chicago Medicine

**Gary Rakes, MS**

System Vice President of Supply Chain

Aspirus, Inc.

**Jerry Kostal, BSBA**

Director, Supply Chain, Procurement & Logistics

Nebraska Methodist Health System

**DeAnne Short, MBA**

Director of CQVA and Clinical Sourcing

Premier Health

### Presenters

**Brian W. Murray, MBA, CMAP**

Assistant Vice President, Supply Chain Procurement

Northshore University HealthSystem