

BASIC NURSING SKILLS

COURSE TITLE: MW 6120 BASIC NURSING SKILLS

Course hours: 40 hours (8 classes including lab) each class is 5 hours

Course Description: This course covers the theory and performance of basic health care skills relevant to midwifery. Topics include vital signs, aseptic technique, preparation and administration of medications, bladder catheterization, finger and heel sticks, venipuncture, enemas, charting, medical terminology and abbreviations and the surgical environment

Course Objectives: Given pertinent information, supported by instructional resources, the student will be capable of performing a variety of related skills. In order to demonstrate mastery of these objectives, the student must respond correctly on instructor-revised evaluations, achieving a percentage of accuracy that meets the requirements for academic performance as published in the school catalog

Upon completion of the course, the student will be able to

MW 6120.01 "demonstrate the correct procedure for taking and understanding the significance of vital signs, including blood pressure, pulse, respirations, and temperature

MW 6120.02 demonstrate the correct way to maintain aseptic techniques, sterile fields

MW 6120.03 demonstrate the correct procedure for preparing and administering medications including injections, eye prophylaxis, location on the body for administering medications

MW 6120.04 demonstrate an ability to explain the procedure to the client, including carrying out the procedure in a compassionate manner so as not to injure or frighten the client

MW 6120.05 demonstrate the correct procedure to catheterize the bladder using sterile technique

MW 6120.06 explain the procedure for doing an enema, including temperature of water, height of enema bag

MW 6120.07 demonstrate an ability to perform finger and heel sticks

MW 6120.08 demonstrate an ability to perform a venipuncture including using the correct tube top, storage of blood products for laboratory pick-up

MW 6120.09 demonstrate an ability to do accurate charting including, relevant medical terminology, abbreviations and legal aspects

MW 6120.10 explain the surgical environment

MW 6120.11 explain the importance of complete, accurate charting including legal aspects

MW 6120.12 explain the importance of complete, accurate charting including legal aspects

MW 6120.13 explain measurements used in relevant midwifery care including centimeters, pounds, grams, kilograms, cc's, Fahrenheit and Celsius

MW 6120.14 demonstrate an understanding of principles of body mechanics

MW 6120.15 demonstrate an ability to assess edema

MW 6120.16 explain the proper equipment relevant to the licensed midwife including maintenance

MW 6120.17 demonstrate correct hand washing procedure and sterile glove technique

MW 6120 18 demonstrate an understanding of Universal Precautions

MW 6120.19 explain hot and cold applications

MW 6120.20 demonstrate the proper procedure for Micro-Hematocrit Reading

MW 6120.21 describe the infections process cycle including a knowledge of how to break the cycle

MW 6120.22 explain body positions including semifowler, trendelenberg, knee chest, lithotomy, and supine/prone