

J. Sargeant Reynolds Community College
Course Content Summary

Course Prefix and Number: NSG 230

Credits: 2

Course Title: Advanced Professional Nursing Concepts

Course Description: Develops the role of the professional nurse in the healthcare environment in preparation for practice as a registered nurse. Introduces leadership and management concepts and focuses on the integration of professional behaviors in a variety of healthcare settings. Lecture 2 hours. Total 2 hours per week.

General Course Purpose: The purpose of this course is to further develop the concepts of professional nursing.

Course Prerequisites and Co-requisites:

Prerequisites: NSG 210 and NSG 211

Course Objectives:

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

- Evaluate legal and ethical principles related to health care policy and health care economics.
- Evaluate quality indicators in health care organizations
- Analyze leadership and collaborative practice strategies that foster mutual respect and shared decision-making.
- Analyze care coordination related to episodic vs. continuous care across multiple settings.
- Integrate clinical judgment when collaborating with the healthcare team in the management of care for complex clients.
- Apply the principles of leadership and management regarding the legal and ethical responsibilities related to safe medication administration.

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Concepts and Exemplars	Pharmacology
<i>Leadership concept</i> ● Leadership vs management ● Formal vs informal leadership ● Leadership theories Exemplars: styles of leadership, change management, team building	
<i>Ethics Concept</i> ● Moral courage ● Human right to self determination Exemplars: Ethical dilemmas	
<i>Quality Concept</i> ● Quality indicators ● Culture of quality ● Major attributes of healthcare quality ● Equitable care ● Core Measures ● Sentinel Events ● Resource utilization Exemplars: magnet designation, root cause analysis, Hospital consumer	
<i>Healthcare policy/Healthcare economics Concept</i> ● Individual healthcare financing ● Organizational financing ● Trends in healthcare policy Exemplars: regulatory agencies, financing access, Medicare, Medicaid, health insurance, accrediting bodies	

Coordination of Care Concept • Care coordination models • Clinical reasoning • Natural and manmade disasters Exemplars: Emergency triage, bioterrorism	Radiation Emergencies-medications to counteract • Sargramostin • Philgrastim • Potassium Iodide Anticholinergic Drugs-Atropine Antibiotics: Tetracycline, Cephalosporin
Communication concept • Communication pitfalls • Team strategies and tools to enhance performance and patient safety (TEAM STEPPS) • CUS Exemplars: Conflict resolution, lateral violence, civility in the workplace	
Caring/Advocacy Concept Exemplars: Compassion fatigue and self care.	

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