



Health Care Aide 117

Continuing Care Practicum

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COURSE OUTLINE

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HEALTH CARE AIDE 117

COURSE OUTLINE

CALENDAR STATEMENT

Under the direction of a RN or LPN students will work on a continuing care unit and at a designated community site providing care and support for clients, as required.

Prerequisites: Successful completion of all HCA certificate courses

COURSE HOURS

TOTAL CLINICAL HOURS: 200

CREDITS: 3

100 Hours to completed in Long term care

100 hours to be completed at a community agency

COURSE DESCRIPTION

This practice course provides opportunities for the learner to gain experience as a member of the interdisciplinary team by providing safe, holistic, and evidence-informed nursing care in a continuing-care and in an acute home/ community setting, following the standards of practice for a Health Care Aide.

TUTOR INFORMATION

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GENERAL LEARNING OUTCOMES

Upon successful completion of this course, you will be able to meet or exceed the following:

1. Integrate the nursing theory, and related knowledge into nursing practice to provide safe, holistic, compassionate, and competent care for the client.
2. Apply nursing process, effective problem-solving and critical thinking to make appropriate clinical judgments within a practice setting.
3. Demonstrate the ethical, legal, and professional and moral responsibility and accountability for own actions in a practice setting.
4. Communicate appropriately, effectively, and accurately with the client and the interdisciplinary team.
5. Collaborate with the interdisciplinary team to provide nursing care in a practice setting.
6. Maintain and promote personal and client safety adhering to best practice guidelines.
7. Apply principles of teaching and learning to the client.
8. Advocate on behalf of the client to promote health and well-being.
9. Integrate reflective practice into professional growth and continuing competence.
10. Apply communication principles personally and professionally.

Instructional Methods

This is a supervised clinical practice course. The course activities will include nursing care of assigned clients in the continuing-care setting. Other activities may include nursing rounds (conferences), professional development activities, and discussions. These activities provide the opportunity for learners to learn with and from others in the nursing practice setting.

The course emphasizes pre-clinical preparation, participation in nursing care of clients, and post-clinical reflection and review. You are expected to take an active part in clinical discussions and take responsibility for your own learning. The instructor's role is to supervise nursing practice and to facilitate learning.

In the community setting you will work under the direct supervision of a preceptor, who will guide you in the routines and practices of the individuals you will assist in the community. This may be in a residential home, their employment or at a community program center.

HEALTH CARE AIDE PROGRAM POLICIES

Please refer to Keyano College Health Care Aide Handbook for specific Health Care Aide Program policies and to Keyano College Calendar for general College policies.

Please review the Keyano College Nursing Program Policy on Clinical Attire, which is outlined in the student handbook. The following are required items for clinical: nametag, health centre ID, watch, penlight, black pen, bandage scissors and stethoscope.

LATE POLICY FOR ASSIGNMENTS

All assignments are to be passed in at the time and place they are due. Please see timetable. Extensions on assignments may be granted and must be negotiated with the tutor prior to the due date and with a date specified for late submissions. If prior arrangements are not made, a penalty of a letter grade for each working day that an assignment is submitted after the due date will be deducted from the final grade i.e. an assignment graded at B would receive an adjusted grade of B- if handed in one day late; if two days late, the grade is adjusted to C+ etc.

SPECIALIZED SUPPORTS & DUTY TO ACCOMMODATE

DISABILITY SUPPORT SERVICES: LEARNER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

If you have a documented disability or you think that you would benefit from some assistance from a Disabilities Counselor, please call or visit the Disability Supports Office 780-792-5608 to book an appointment (across from the library). Services and accommodations are intended to assist you in your program of study, while maintaining the academic standards of Keyano College. We can be of assistance to you in disclosing your disability to your instructor, providing accommodations, and supporting your overall success at Keyano College.

SPECIALIZED SUPPORTS AND DUTY TO ACCOMMODATE

Specialized Support and Duty to Accommodate are aligned with the office of Disability Support Services: Learner Assistance Program (LAP) guided by federal and provincial human rights legislation and defined by a number of Keyano College policies. Keyano College is obligated by legislation to provide disability-related accommodations to students with identified disabilities to the point of undue hardship.

REQUIRED TEXTS

Sorrentino, S.A., Remmert, R., & Wilk, M.J. (2013). *Mosby's Canadian textbook for the support worker* (3rd Ed.). Toronto, ON: Elsevier.

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Access to the Internet

OVERVIEW OF COURSE ASSESSMENT

Assessments

Clinical practice courses are graded as **pass** or **fail**.

To receive credit in HCA 117: Continuing Care, the learner must complete all course requirements which include reflective journaling and a passing grade on the final evaluation. A passing grade means that the student was able to satisfactorily meet all expectations in the course. Course credit will not be given if only parts of the course have been completed.

DISTRIBUTION OF MARKS

WRITTEN ASSIGNMENTS		
Reflective Journaling	Written reflection of nursing practice	Pass/Fail
CLINICAL PRACTICE EVALUATION		
	Integration of nursing knowledge and application of nursing skills. Learner must satisfactorily meet all evaluation expectations.	Pass/Fail
	Total	Pass/Fail

PASSING LEVEL AND GRADING SCALE

This is a nursing practice course. A learner must be proficient in the integration of nursing theory and application of nursing skills in a practice setting.

Learners must receive a **pass** grade on the written assignment and successfully demonstrate nursing skills in the nursing practice setting to receive a passing grade.

Refer to the Health Care Aide Handbook for information regarding grading scale, extensions, and other program standard practices.

Important Additional Information

Note to all students: It is the student's responsibility to retain course outlines for possible future use in support of applications for transfer credit to other educational institutions.