NURN 234

Nursing Concepts II

5 Credits (2.6 credits lecture and 2.4 credits lab/clinical)

Community College of Baltimore County Common Course Outline

Description

NURN 234 – Nursing Concepts II: is a course in which students examine the role of the nurse generalist in the provision of complex nursing care to clients, families, and communities. Emphasis is placed on the nursing concepts of advanced elimination, immunity, inflammation, end of life, perioperative, and community-based nursing care. Supervised simulation and clinical experiences are designed to enhance students' development of clinical reasoning and clinical judgment.

Pre-requisites: NURN 160 (with a grade of C or better)

Overall Course Objectives

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

- 1. use nursing judgment to create a client-centered care plan for clients with alterations in elimination, immunity, and inflammation;
- 2. determine a nursing plan of care to prevent and manage complications related to alterations in elimination, immunity, and inflammation;
- 3. examine evidence-based practices related to alterations in elimination, immunity, and inflammation;
- 4. explain pharmacologic principles in the care of clients with alterations in elimination, immunity, and inflammation;
- 5. integrate safety into the nursing management of clients with alterations in elimination, immunity, and inflammation;
- 6. identify safe practices within community based and perioperative settings;
- 7. recommend health promotion activities for clients with alterations in elimination, immunity, and inflammation;
- 8. examine nursing roles in multiple community settings;
- 9. explain management of clients with communicable diseases;
- 10. examine nursing roles in preoperative, intraoperative, and postoperative areas:
- 11. differentiate nursing care in the preoperative, intraoperative, and postoperative areas;
- 12. advocate for client care which honors the client's diversity and creates an environment of inclusion and equity;
- 13. display caring behaviors related to the care of clients in inpatient and outpatient settings; and
- 14. prioritize care of clients in all applicable patient settings.

Major Topics

- I. Elimination
 - a. Obstructive problems

- b. Benign prostatic hyperplasia
- c. Acute kidney injury
- II. Immunity
 - a. Autoimmune disorders
 - b. Immunosuppression
 - c. Organ transplant
- III. Perioperative care
 - a. Preoperative
 - b. Intraoperative
 - c. Postoperative
- IV. Inflammation
 - a. Pancreatitis
 - b. Cholecystitis
 - c. Nephritis
 - d. Diverticulitis
- V. Community nursing care
 - a. Role of the nurse
 - b. Philosophies of care
 - c. Communicable disease
 - d. Home health/hospice/end of life
 - e. Disaster nursing

Course Requirements

Grading will be determined by the individual faculty member, but shall include the following, at minimum:

- three theory examinations
- two quizzes
- one clinical writing assignments, such as a clinical analysis report or a case study analysis
- one proctored standardized test

Written assignments and research projects: Students are required to use appropriate academic resources in their research and cite sources according to APA style.

Other Course Information

The following are required for satisfactory completion of this course:

- attendance at all assigned clinical/laboratory experiences
- completion of all assignments
- satisfactory performance in the clinical experience
- satisfactory performance on all nursing skills tests
- exam average of 75.00% or higher
- overall grade of C (75.00%) or higher

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