

**KS Council of PN Educators - PN
PN Program**

KSPN Nursing Care of Adults II Clinical Course Syllabus

Course Information:

Course Number and Title: KSPN 011 - KSPN Nursing Care of Adults II Clinical

Total Credit/Contact Hours: 1.00 - 3.00

Clinical Credit/Contact Hours: 1.00 - 3.00

Course Description:

This course focuses on the care of adult clients with common medical/surgical health problems. The clinical laboratory experience provides the student an opportunity to build on the theoretical concepts from Nursing Care of Adults I and II and implement safe client care in selected settings. Students are given the opportunity to practice leadership skills while managing a caseload of clients.

Course Objectives:

1. Identify priority assessment findings while performing a focused health assessment on clients experiencing common medical/surgical health alterations.
2. Assist in developing an evidence based plan of care that includes cultural, spiritual, and developmentally appropriate interventions related to health promotion and commonly occurring health alterations of adult clients who have predictable outcomes.
3. Collaborate with members of the health care team serving as a client advocate when providing and coordinating client care.
4. Apply a basic level of knowledge of pathophysiology, pharmacology, and nutrition, as well as evidence based practice, to the care of adult clients with commonly occurring health alterations that have predictable outcomes.
5. Use verbal and nonverbal communication that promotes therapeutic relationships with adult clients and their families, as well as professional relationships with members of the health care team.
6. Use information technology to access evidence based literature as well as mitigate error and support clinical decision making with members of the health care team.
7. Evaluate client's acquisition of new knowledge and skills while reinforcing health education provided by members of the health care team.
8. Implement corrective actions for actual and potential safety risks to client, self, and others.
9. Participate in quality improvement activities developed to enhance client outcomes.
10. Use organizational, time management, and priority-setting skills when coordinating the care of adult clients and assigning and supervising unlicensed assistive personnel.
11. Adhere to ethical, legal and professional standards while maintaining accountability for the care provided to adult clients and their families.

Clinical Objectives:

- A. Provide nursing care that is relationship-centered, caring, culturally sensitive and based on the physiological, psychosocial and spiritual needs of clients with commonly occurring health problems that have predictable outcomes.
 - A.1. Perform a focused assessment prioritizing assessment findings.
 - A.2. Prioritize the delivery of care using the nursing process.
 - A.3. Provide culturally sensitive care to clients from diverse backgrounds.



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- A.4. Advocate for client rights and needs.
- A.5. Use verbal and nonverbal communication that promotes caring, therapeutic relationships with clients as well as professional relationships with members of the healthcare team.
- A.6. Evaluate the acquisition of new knowledge and skills by clients who have received health-related education.
- B. Collaborate with the client and members of the interprofessional health care team to promote continuity of care and shared decision-making.
 - B.1. Collaborate with members of the interprofessional health care team.
 - B.2. Prioritize the relevance of client-related information that should be shared with members of the healthcare team.
 - B.3. Collaborate with the healthcare team when a situation requires knowledge/actions beyond the expertise and scope of LPN practice.
- C. Use current evidence as a basis for nursing practice.
 - C.1. Access evidence from credible resources, client preferences, and clinical expertise.
 - C.2. Use current evidence, client preferences, and clinical experience as a basis for nursing practice.
- D. Use information and client care technology to support the delivery of safe, quality client care.
 - D.1. Use information technology to support clinical decision-making in collaboration with the health care team.
 - D.2. Use information technology to securely and accurately document nursing care and evaluate client response.
 - D.3. Use client care technology to mitigate error and monitor outcomes of care processes.
- E. Participate in quality improvement activities evaluating their effect on client outcomes.
 - E.1. Participate in quality improvement activities.
 - E.2. Reflect on the care provided in relation to client outcomes.
- F. Provide an environment that is safe and reduces risk of harm for clients, self, and others.
 - F.1. Implement corrective actions for actual and potential safety risks to clients, self, and others.
 - F.2. Implement actions that promote safe practice and a safe environment for clients, self, and others.
 - F.3. Implement interventions consistent with the National Patient Safety Goals in a variety of settings.
- G. Demonstrate accountability for client care that incorporates legal and ethical principles, regulatory guidelines, and standards of nursing practice
 - G.1. Practice nursing in accordance with the Kansas PN scope of practice as dictated by state's practical nursing regulations and statutes.
 - G.2. Use the Client Bill of Rights, and the Self Determination Act along with an established nursing code of ethics as a personal framework for practice.
 - G.3. Maintain personal and professional accountability in the delivery of client care.
 - G.4. Practice in accordance with institutional policies and procedures.
- H. Use leadership skills that support the provision and coordination of client care.
 - H.1. Use organizational, time management and priority setting skills when coordinating the care of clients.
 - H.2. Assign client care tasks to assistive personnel.
 - H.3. Evaluate the performance of assistive personnel to whom tasks have been assigned.

