

Northwest Arkansas Community College

Division of Health Professions

Discipline Code

EMTP

Course Number

1404

Course Title

Community Paramedicine Clinical

Catalog Description

This course is all clinical with primary focus on providing clinical experience with commonly seen public health and chronic disease management. Area that you will be working in include: Emergency Room, Home Health, Hospital Case Management, and Public Health Agencies. This course is approximately 210 hour clinical rotation, but actual patient exposure and assessment minimums must all be met.

Prerequisites

The candidate must currently be enrolled as a student at NWACC and admitted to the Community Paramedic Program. (see prerequisite for admission at the web site)

Course Objectives/Student Competencies

Upon successful completion of this program the student will:

Be familiar with and have interactions with the members of the health care team.

Observe and participate in at least 6 immunizations

Observe reporting of communicable diseases

Observe and participate in the care of 10 patients with Congestive Heart Failure

Observe and participate in the care of 10 patients with Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

Observe and participate in the care of 10 patients with Diabetes

Observe and participate in the care of 10 patients with Neurological Problems

Observe and participate in the care of 10 patients with Wound Care

Observe and participate in 10 patient exams with a physician or APN/PA

Observe and participate in 20 lab interpretations

Observe and participate in 5 CT or MRI interpretations

Observe and participate in 5 CT or MRI Preparation instructions

Observe and participate in 10 hand held point of care analyzer testing

Observe and participate in Stitch and staple removal

Observe and participate in Cast Care

Observe and participate in 10 palliative care or pain management with social services or chaplain services.

Review 3 hospice criteria for patient referrals

Observe and participate in 2 in depth instructional trainings on the in-home medication pump operations

Observe and participate in 5 wound cultures – may be throat. Nasal, sputum or related
Observe and participate in 5 Health promotion studies – education on Cholesterol, colonoscopy etc.
Observe and participate in 10-otoscope use on adult, geriatric, or pediatric patients
Observe Hospital case management with discharge planning, utilization review, and case management
Observe and participate in 10 contacts with – use of crutches, wheelchairs, walkers, canes, hospital bed, Hoyer lifts, and slide boards
Observe and participate in 10 contacts with access central lines, ports, ileostomies, Foley catheters, =PEG tubes, & wound management.

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