Course Information

Division: Health Sciences
Contact Hours: 2
Theory: 30
Total Credits: 2

Prerequisites:
- RTH 214 – Adult Critical Care Management
- RTH 216 – Neonatal/ Pediatric Management
- RTH 211 – Respiratory Care Clinical Practice III

Corequisites:
- RTH 226 – Respiratory Care Techniques IV
- RTH 221 – Respiratory Care Clinical Practice IV

Course Description
This course presents a wide variety of topics for discussion including respiratory care department continued professional development, management and supervision, job acquisition skills, medical research, credential acquisition and maintenance, state licensure, and preparation for respiratory care boards. Discussion, class presentations and written assignments are part of this capstone program course.

This course is a required core course for students pursuing an Associate of Applied Science - Respiratory Therapy

Program Outcomes Addressed by this Course:
Upon successful completion of this course, students should be able to meet the program outcomes listed below:

A. Demonstrate the ability to gather, comprehend, evaluate, apply, and problem solve using empirical information relevant to his/her role as a competent Registered Respiratory Therapist.
B. Demonstrate the ability to perform the clinical and technical skills relevant to his/her role as a Registered Respiratory Therapist.
C. Exhibit the personal behaviors consistent with professional standards and employer expectations of a competent Registered Respiratory Therapist.

Course Outcomes
In order to evidence success in this course, the students will be able to:

1. Create and present an original research proposal, demonstrating the ability to evaluate medical literature and its core components.
   Applies To Program Outcome
   A. Demonstrate the ability to gather, comprehend, evaluate, apply, and problem solve using empirical information relevant to his/her role as a competent Registered Respiratory Therapist.
   B. Demonstrate the ability to perform the clinical and technical skills relevant to his/her role as a Registered Respiratory Therapist

2. List the necessary steps for obtaining and maintaining the CRT credential, the RRT credential, advanced respiratory credentials, advanced respiratory degrees, and state licensure for respiratory care practitioners.
   Applies To Program Outcome
   A. Demonstrate the ability to gather, comprehend, evaluate, apply, and problem solve using empirical information relevant to his/her role as a competent Registered Respiratory Therapist.
3. Demonstrate respiratory therapy job acquisition skills, including interview techniques and creation of a professional resume and portfolio.

   *Applies To Program Outcome*
   
   A. Demonstrate the ability to gather, comprehend, evaluate, apply, and problem solve using empirical information relevant to his/her role as a competent Registered Respiratory Therapist.

   B. C. Exhibit the personal behaviors consistent with professional standards and employer expectations of a competent Registered Respiratory Therapist.

4. Identify techniques and coping mechanisms that promote mental well-being in high-stress or potentially traumatic healthcare situations.

   *Applies To Program Outcome*
   
   A. Demonstrate the ability to gather, comprehend, evaluate, apply, and problem solve using empirical information relevant to his/her role as a competent Registered Respiratory Therapist.

5. Outline major concepts related to advanced positions in the field of respiratory care such as management.

   *Applies To Program Outcome*
   
   A. Demonstrate the ability to gather, comprehend, evaluate, apply, and problem solve using empirical information relevant to his/her role as a competent Registered Respiratory Therapist.

6. Demonstrate behaviors in class, which are consistent with a graduate respiratory therapist. This would include respect for the opinions of others, attendance and timeliness to class, attentiveness to deadlines for assignments, and ability to communicate new information to peers.

   *Applies To Program Outcome*
   
   C. Exhibit the personal behaviors consistent with professional standards and employer expectations of a competent Registered Respiratory Therapist.

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