# SAULT COLLEGE OF APPLIED ARTS AND TECHNOLOGY SAULT STE. MARIE, ONTARIO

#### COURSE OUTLINE

Course Title MEDICATION ADMINISTRATION FOR R.N.A'S

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#### PURPOSE, OVERVIEW AND ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS OF THE COURSE

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The Registered Nursing Assistant - Administration of Medications Course is intended to enable registered nursing assistants to meet the minimum competencies in the administration of medications that are outlined in the revised Standards of Nursing Practice for Registered Nurses and Registered Nursing Assistants, April 1983. The course is aimed to meet the learning needs of registered nursing assistants who have had a variety of experiences.

#### COURSE OBJECTIVES:

By the end of the course the student will be able to;

- 1) demonstrate drug administration with a 100% accuracy.
- 2) describe the four components of pharmacokinetics.
- 3) explain eight variable factors that will alter a drug's pharmacokinetics.
- 4) examine three basic principles of the drug action.
- 5) compare and contrast how families of drugs affect various biological systems of the body.
- 6) apply the nursing process while administering medications

#### OVERVIEW OF THE COURSE:

The course will contain a total of 54 hours, and includes 36 hours of theory and 18 hours of lab clinical experience. Supervised clinical experience will occur in simulated practice sessions and clinical placement. The course will be offered on a part-time basis.

#### ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- 1) Current Registered Nursing Assistant Certificate of Competence or proof of eligibility for registration through the College of Nurses of Ontario.
- 2) Proof of health status and up-to-date immunization in accordance with college policies and procedures.

#### TEXT;

Scherer, Jeanne, <u>Introductory Clinical Pharmacology</u>, J.B. Lippincott Co., Philadelphia, 1987.

Scherer, Jeanne, Student Work Manual for introductory Clinical Pharmacology, Lippincott Co., Philadelphia, 1987.

This course has been developed using the guidelines as approved by the Council of Regents for the Ministry of Colleges and Universities.

Sault College acknowledges that although students may successfully complete this program, each employing agency will establish their own policies regarding the functions of the R.N.A.

#### TEACHING/LEARNING METHODS:

Lectures, A.V. resources, class discussions, demonstrations, practice labs, worksheets, written assignments, case study, clinical observation experiences, and supervised clinical work. Students will need to commit their own time to completing their work manual.

#### ETHOD OF EVALUATION:

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GRADING!

$$A+ = 90 - 100\%$$
 $A = 80 - 89\%$ 
 $B = 70 - 79\%$ 
 $C = 60 - 69\%$ 

PLEASE NOTE THAT A PASS IS 'C OVERALL

#### TEST SCHEDULE;

TEST #1	Abbreviations	
(10%)	Conversions	
TEST #2 (10%)	Math for Meds	

TEST #3 (10%)	Introduction to Pharmacology, Nursing Process, Health Teaching Legislation Pharmacokinetics Vitamins and Minerals Respiratory Agents Antibiotics and Antifungals
TEST #4 (10%)	Drugs Affecting Skin and Mucus Membranes Drugs Affecting the Nervous System and Musculoskeletal System
TEST #5 (10%)	Hormones, Hormone-like Substances Drugs Affecting the G.l. System
TEST #6 (10%)	Drugs Affecting the Heart and Circulatory System Drugs Affecting the Kidney and Body Fluid Composition
TEST #7 (10%)	Drug Abuse and Toxicology Charting and Transcribing Orders Drug Administration

### TESTS REMAIN THE PROPERTY OF SAULT COLLEGE

#### **ASSIGNMENTS:**

ASSIGNMENT #1: Case Study Drug Assignments (10%)

ASSIGNMENT #2: Charting and Transcribing Orders (10%)

CLASS Each student will give a minimum of two PARTICIPATION informal specific drug presentations.

& PRESENTATION:

(10%)

#### LAB AND CLINICAL WORK;

Mark off (Skill Testing) - Oral Meds

- Subcutaneous Injections

Successful clinical evaluation

- 1 night observation
- 2 1 1/2 hour periods of passing medications

#### NOTE: SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF COURSE MEANS

- 60% overall grade on tests
- 100% grade on math test (1 sup. given)
- successful (satisfactory grade as opposed to unsatisfactory)
- 100% attendance in clinical is compulsory to receive a
- satisfactory grade all students registered in this course are subject to the Policies of Sault College's Nursing Program
- excellent attendance will be taken into consideration for borderline marks
- evaluation of this course will be done mid-semester
- all supplies that are signed out for practice contain no medication. The medication substance is either candy or water.
- -a student release form must be signed to take any supplies out for practice and must be returned within one week.

#### STUDY PARTNER PROGRAM

- students have the option to form a Study Partner Program
- this program allows students to work together and do their assignments and tests together (except Math).
- a maximum of two people per Partner .Program
- the partners of the program submit one test and one assignment with both names on it, the tests and assignments are recorded for both members.
- you need to communicate to the instructor by November 1, 1989 if the Partner Program will be formed.
- I hope you take advantage of this opportunity.
- Have fun.

CLASS SCHEDULE	HOMEWORK/READING ASSIGNMENT
September 09  Class #1 - Introduction to Class - Overview of Course - Abbreviations - Conversions	Class handouts
September 16 Class #2 - Lab on Metric	Scherer pp. 1-15 Workbook pp. 1-14
September 23 Class #3 Test #1 (30 minutes) - Math for Meds	Scherer pp. 1-15 Workbook pp. 1-14
September Class #4  Test #2 - Introduction to Pharmacology - Legislation - Pharmacokinetics - Nursing Process - Health Teaching	Scherer pp. 24-35 Workbook pp. 17-22
October 07 Class #5 - Drugs Affecting the Respiratory	Scherer pp. 222-227 Workbook pp. 113-114 Scherer pp. 248-257 Workbook pp. 125-127
October 21 Class #6 - Antibiotics and Antifungals - Lab: Oral Meds	Scherer pp. 135-154 Workbook pp. 73-79
October 28 Class #7 - <b>Test</b> #3 - Drugs Affecting Skin and Mucus Membrane - Lab: Topical medications	Scherer pp. 23, 264- 266 Workbook pp. 131-132
November 04 Class #8 - Drugs Affecting The Nervous System	Scherer pp. 58-75, 205-221, 269-274, 122-126 Workbook pp. 37-44, 105-11, 133-134, • 67-68

November 11 Class #9 - Drugs Affecting The Nervous System Scherer pp. 36-57, and Musculoskeletal System 275-282 November 18 Class **#10 - Test #4** - Drugs Affecting the G.l. System Scherer pp. 232-241 Workbook pp. 115-120 November 25 Class #11 - Hormones and Hormone Like Substances Scherer pp. 167-196 Workbook pp. 85-99 December 02 Class #12 - Theory & Lab: Subcutaneous Film & Intradermal - Introduction to Transcribing Orders December 09 Class #13 - **Test #5** - Drugs Affecting The Heart and Scherer pp. 82-103, Workbook pp. 49-58 Circulatory System 63-65 December 16 Class #14 - Drugs Affecting The Kidney and Scherer pp. 104-121, Body Fluid Composition 266-267 - Assignment #1 Due Workbook pp. 59-65 January 13/1991 Class #15 - **Test #6** - Drug Abuse/Drug Misuse Scherer pp. 76-81, - Review of Drug Administration 16-23 Workbook pp. 15-16, 45 - 47January 20 Class #16 - Preventing Drug Errors Film - Transcribing Orders - Lab mark: 1/2 class (oral & subcutaneous meds) January 27 Class #17 - **Test** #7 - Lab: Mark off - 1/2 class (oral & subcutaneous meds)

Your clinical placement will be scheduled after Christmas with input from the student and instructor.

- Assignment #2 Due