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

UNIT 1

HEALTH

COURSE OUTLINE

COURSE TITLE:

HCA 100-9

CODE NO:

HEALTH CARE AIDE

PROGRAMME:

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TOTAL CREDIT HOURS: 72

Unit I - Clinical (HCA 100) has 24 lab practice hours and 48 hours of clinical practice for a total of 72 hours.

PREREOUISITE(S):

Admission into Health Care Aide Programme

## I. PHILOSOPHY/GOALS:

The student is introduced to the role of the Health Care Aide in the Nursing Home setting. This course provides the opportunity to apply theory to practice. Principles of safety, medical asepsis, hygiene, nutrition and communication (in meeting the needs of the elderly client) are emphasized.

## II. STUDENT PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES:

Upon successful completion of this course, the student will meet the following objectives with 1-2 clients.

- 1) describe the roles of the Health Care Team within the Nursing Home setting.
- 2) demonstrate ethical and sound legal practice to protect the client's rights.
- 3) provides opportunities for the client to meet the basic needs for life.
- 4) demonstrates effective listening skills in communicating with clients.
- 5) writes a mock charting report on the client based on direct observations and Kardex information.
- 6) demonstrates measures to ensure client safety at all times.
- 7) demonstrates medical aseptic technique at all times.
- 8) uses good body mechanics in lifting, transferring and positioning of clients.
- 9) Maintains a comfortable, secure environment for the client.
- 10) demonstrates bedmaking following scientific principles of asepsis.

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## II. STUDENT PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES:

- 11) provides nutritional needs of the elderly.
- 12) provides hygienic needs of the client.
- 13) utilizes the 24-hour clock system.
- 14) demonstrates accountable and professional behaviour in the lab and clinical setting.
- 15) recognizes and cares for dangerous substances in accordance with Workplace Hazardous Material Information System (WHMIS).

## III. TOPICS TO BE COVERED:

- 1) Roles of the Health Care Team
- 2) Legalities, Ethics and Client Rights
- 3) Needs of the Elderly and the Aging Process
- 4) Communication (Part 1)
- 5) Observation Skills, Reporting and Recording
- 6) Client Safety
- 7) Medical Asepsis
- 8) Body Mechanics, Lifts and Transfers, Positioning
- 9) Client Environment
- 10) Bedmaking
- 11) Nutritional Needs
- 12) Hygiene
- 13) 24-hour Clock System
- 14) Accountability and Professional Behaviour
- 15) WHMIS Training

## Lab Topics:

- 1) Safety
  - a) Restraints
    - Protective Devices
    - Wrist and ankle restraints
    - Mitt restraints
    - Jacket restraints
    - Safety belt
    - Elbow restraints
- 2) Medical Asepsis
  - a) handwashing

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## III. TOPICS TO BE COVERED:

## Lab Topics:

- 3) Body Mechanics
  - a) lifts and transfers
  - b) positioning
  - c) Emergency lifts and transfers
- 4) Bedmaking
- 5) Feeding Practices
- 6) Hygiene

IV.	LEARNING	OBJECTIVES,	CONTENT

## REQUIRED RESOURCES

- 1. The Roles of the Members of The Health Care Team
  - a) Identifies the resident and and family as key members of the Health Care Team.
    (1.02)
  - b) Defines the roles of the various members of the Health Care Team.
    (1.02)
  - c) Identifies the role of the Health Care Aide in various settings.
    (1.02)
  - d) Carries out own tasks in cooperation with all personnel in Health Care Team. (1.02)
  - e) Follows directions of established team care plan for client.
    (1.02)

Text: pp. 12-18

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pp. 21-22 Workbook: Ch. 2 Study Projects: 1-5 Study Questions: 1-7

Tours of various Nursing
Homes for the Aged, Red
Cross Homemaking Service,
Drop-In Centre (for Units
I & II), Written Report

## 2. <u>Legalities</u>, <u>Ethics</u> & <u>Client Rights</u>

- a) Maintains confidentiality Text: pp. 19-20 in all matters pertaining Workbook: Ch. 2 to the facility and residents. Study Questions: 11-15 (1.03)
- b) Follows agency policies related to witnessing wills and legal documents. Care of client's valuables and reporting and recording unusual occurrences.

  (1.03)
- c) Assumes responsibility for his/her own actions. (1.03)
- d) Exhibits positive attitude towards the opinions, ideas and behaviours of others.
  (2.03)
- e) Takes appropriate actions about client's complaints. (2.03)
- f) Allocates time to visit those residents who need special attention.
  (2.03)
- g) Follows up on any commitments made to a client. (2.03)
- h) Maintains and ensures client's privacy at all times in all situations.
  (6.03)
- i) Respects clients of different cultures by providing opportunities for client to practise cultural beliefs.
  (2.04)
- j) Promotes client's individuality by planning activities of daily living with client by encouraging client in decision making process and by supporting client's efforts towards self expression. (6.07)

## 3. Needs of the Elderly & The Aging Process

a) Describes physical changes in Text: pp. 98-101 the elderly client related to i) visual
ii) hearing
iii) tactile
iv) dexterity
v) taste
vi) smell
vii) mobile the aging process.

(5.01)

- vii) mobility

viii) balance

- b) Identifies the psycho- Text: pp. 96-97 social changes in the elderly client related to the aging process.
- c) Describes factors which may affect the client's personality and social role.
- d) Provides opportunities for Text: pp. 38-40 the client to meet the basic needs for life: needs for life:
  - (6.06)
- i) physiological needs
  ii) security and safety needs ii) love needs
  iv) self-esteem needs
  v) self-actualization needs
  nication (Part 1)
  - iii) love needs

## 4. Communication (Part 1)

a) Encourages and accepts Print-out in class client's attempts to communicate. (2.01)

Text: pp. 26-27

pp. 42-46
Workbook: Ch. 4
Study Project: 2

- b) Introduces self, pronounces Study Questions: 1,13,27 client's name correctly, asks client what he/she prefers to be called. (2.03)
- c) Communicates with client while assisting with activities of daily care. (2.03)

- d) Recognizes client's need for private time and provides environment for such quietness. (6.03)
- e) Utilizes effective attentive listening skills with client.
- f) Chooses topics of conversation which have meaning for the client or stimulates his/her interest. (2.05)
- g) Uses feedback to clarify the true meaning of a conversation. (2.05)
- h) Demonstrates awareness of client's non-verbal communication to express needs and feelings.
- i) Identifies barriers to communication with the client and in the environment.
- j) Begins to develop supportive relationship with client.
- k) Observes and reports client's ability to interact with others. (2.06)
- 1) Answers and relays telephone messages correctly. (2.02)

## 5. Observational Skills, Reporting & Recording

a) Reports any changes in the client's physical status	Text: pp. Workbook:	29-31 Ch. 3
or behaviour. (8.10, 8.11)	Study Projects: Study Questions:	1-4 1-23

- b) Uses observational skills to assess the client's physical, psychosocial, spiritual needs (at a beginning level).
- c) Reports any unusual occurrences to the client such as injury.
  d) Reports observations of the
- client accurately and completely.
- e) Records observations of the (Mock charting only) client accurately and completely according to policy.
- f) Record incidents on proper (Mock charting on Incident forms forms)

## 6. Client Safety

a) Demonstrate measures to Text: pp. 110-125 ensure the safety of the Client at all times. Study Projects: 1-3

- Study Questions: 1-17
  b) Uses supplies and equipment safely and economically.
- (3.03)
  c) Uses equipment and supplies for designated purposes only.
- (3.03)
  d) Reports broken or damaged equipment immediately. (3.03)
- e) Follows "Rules for Smoking" Orientation In-service for self and ensures the
- client follows the rules.

  f) Identifies potential fire hazards and reports to hazards and reports to appropriate person. (4.02)

(4.02)
g) Demonstrates knowledge of Orientation In-service fire alarms, extinguishers, fire doors and fire procedures.

h) Maintains safe environment for the client box for the client by:

- i) cleaning floor area of obstacles and spills. (4.04)
- ii) removing unused medication, lotion and supplies from unit.
  (4.04)
  iii) checking and replacing
- worn or lost rubber tips on walking aids.
- (4.04)
  iv) stabilizing chairs and
  stretchers when assisting residents with transfers. (4.04)
- (4.04)
  v) securing brakes and crank handles. (4.04)

- vi) performing all procedures following correct principles conment following assitic of safety. (4.04)
- vii) applying protective Lab Practice devices correctly. (4.06)

viii) instructing client on the use of protective devices. (4.06)

i) Reports and records accident Orientation In-service to self or client promptly, and accurately follow agency policies. (8.12)

j) Demonstrates knowledge of Orientation In-service disaster policies of institution.

k) Ensuring client has means to call for assistance at the state of the s all times ie: call bell, tap bell

## 7. Medical Asepsis

a) Demonstrates medical

Demonstrates medical Text: pp. 128-133 aseptic technique at all Workbook: Ch. 9 times. Study Projects: 1-2 Study Questions: 1-13

- b) Maintains good personal hygiene (skin, hair, nails, oral hygiene and uniform hygiene) hygiene) (4.01)
- c) Maintains consistently effective handwashing techniques as the situation warrants. (4.01)
- d) Cleans contaminated equipment Orientation In-service and soiled materials according to policy and principles. (4.01)
- e) Disinfects units according Orientation In-service to aseptic principles and policy. (4.01)

## LEARNING OBJECTIVES/CONTENT

### REQUIRED RESOURCES

- f) Handles soiled linen avoiding Lab Practice contamination of self and environment following aseptic techniques and agency policies. (3.02)
- g) Cleans, disinfects and stores rubber goods and tubing, enamel, plastic, stainless steel and glassware. (3.06, 3.07, 3.08)

## 8. Body Mechanics, Lifts & Transfers, Positioning

- a) Uses effective body mechanics Text: pp. 146-170 at all times when: Workbook: Ch. 10
  - ii) moving a person with Study Projects: 1-3 or without assistance Study Questions: 1-27
    - iii) carrying various articles of equipment
- b) Utilizes appropriate method when completing moving tasks. ie: uses lifting devices, Lab Practice secures personnel to help secures personnel to help, gathers all equipment

(1.06)c) Demonstrates effective, safe transfer techniques using correct body mechanics. (9.07)

- i) assists in the assessment
- to transfer safely
  ii) chooses a transfer based on the capabilities of the client
- the client
  iii) instructs client on how to transfer safely

- iv) demonstrates the following using the above principles:
  - raising the client's head and shoulders
  - moving the client up in bed
  - moving the client up in bed with assistance
  - moving the client up in bed using a turning sheet
  - moving the client to the side of the bed
    - turning the client towards the care giver
    - turning the client away from the care giver, logrolling the client
    - assisting the client to a sitting position on the side of the bed
    - applying and using a transfer belt
    - transferring a client to
    - a chair/wheelchair
       transferring a client to a chair with two assistants, three assistants
    - use of mechanical lifts
    - transferring a client to
- a stretcher (3-4 man lift)
  d) Turns and positions client to Text: pp. 306-308 maintain body function. Workbook: Ch. 18 (5.12)

Study Questions: Lab Practice

- i) positions client using correct body mechanics
- ii) maintains body alignment of client, moves and positions joints within normal range of movement
- iii) maintains patency and correct placement of tubes during positioning
  - iv) uses foot boards, bed cradles, rails, pillows, rolls, personnel devices to aid positioning. (5.02)

v) uses the above principles to position client in bed and in a chair

## 9. Client Environment

a) Maintains a comfortable Text: pp. 172-178 environment by: Workbook: Ch. 11 Study Projects: 1-3 i) providing fresh air Study Questions: 1-17

preventing draughts

ii) minimizing or eliminating

offensive odours
iii) changing linen frequently for incontinent clients

iv) assisting client to maintain comfortable warmth level

v) providing adequate lighting while minimizing glaring, utilizing lights, blinds and drapery

vi) maintaining, cleaning and positioning of client's personal belongings and furniture

vii) utilizing environmental factors to contribute to client's feelings of security such as: directional signs, colour codes, contrasting floor and furniture colours, family pictures and possessions. (6.05)

viii) placing aids to ambulation, spectacles and other personal belongings within easy reach of client. (6.05)

## LEARNING OBJECTIVES/CONTENT REQUIRED RESOURCES

## 10. Bedmaking

a) Makes beds that are Text: pp. 180-192 comfortable for the client Workbook: Ch. 12 based on the principles Study Projects: 1-2 of safety, comfort, economy Study Questions: 1-14 of time, energy and supplies. Lab Practice (5.02)

b) Makes a closed, open,
occupied and surgical bed.
(5.02)
c) Uses linen appropriately,

following protocol for clean and dirty linen. (3.01)

## 11. Nutritional Needs

a) Serves client appropriate diet at appropriate diet appropriate diet at appropriate

b) Plans schedule to allow client adequate time to eat.

c) Maintains environment conducive to eating.
d) Arranges food in an

attractive manner with appropriate utensils.

e) Assists client as required with preparing and feeding.

f) Promotes independence as much as possible with menu selection and feeding by encouragement and provision of necessary equipment. ie: feeding aids (9.04)

g) Uses feeding techniques that ensure comfort and safety.

Observes client for

h) Observes client for nutritional and fluid intake.

i) Encourages client to select food of high nutritional value according to Canada's Food Guide. Food Guide.

j) Observes, reports and records any changes in eating habits. (5.08)

## LEARNING OBJECTIVES/CONTENT

### REQUIRED RESOURCES

## 12. Hygiene

- a) Provides a safe, comfortable Text: pp. 194-195, and private environment for bathing. Workbook: Ch. 13 (5.04)
- b) Follows a procedure for bathing which utilizes the principles of comfort, safety and economy of time and energy for morning, afternoon and evening care. (5.04)
- c) Provides appropriate bathing procedure to meet client's needs, full or partial bed bath, tub bath or shower or whirlpool bath.
- d) Gives a medicated or treatment is within the correct temperature range. bath such as sponge bath, which range.
- e) Provides perineal care during Text: pp. 211-214 bathing. Workbook: Ch. 13
- f) Provides client with a back massage.
- g) Implements routine care of Text: pp. 195-199 mouth. (5.05)
- h) Cleans and protects dentures Text: pp. 199-201 and inserts in resident's Workbook: Ch. 13 mouth without discomfort. Study Question: 15
- i) Observes and reports any complaints or sign complaints or signs of mouth problems. (5.05)
- j) Assists the client to shave Text: pp. 217-218 using a procedure which Workbook: Ch. 13 ensures comfort and safety. Study Project:
- k) Assists with shampooing, client's hair. Study Questions: 25 (5.06)

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Study Projects: 3.

Study Question: 1-5, 16-20

- Study Question: 23,24 Text: pp. 209-211 Workbook: Ch. 13 Study Project: 1 Study Questions: 21,22 Workbook: Ch. 13 Study Questions: 6-14
- (5.07)
  Assists with shampooing,
  combing and grooming of

  Lab Practice
  Text:
  pp. 215-217
  Workbook:
  Ch. 13 Lab Practice

## LEARNING OBJECTIVES/CONTENT REQUIRED RESOURCES

- 1) Shampoos client's hair while in bed. (5.06)
- m) Assists with cutting and Text: pp. 218-219 cleaning of client's finger Lab Practice and toe nails following agency policies.
- n) Assists client with dressing Text: pp. 220-321 and undressing as required, Lab Practice maintaining joints in alignment and avoiding painful movement.
- (5.03)
  o) Selects clothing which is comfortable, suitable to the client's whiskers and safe. (5.03)
- p) Protects and maintains client's belongings according to client's/ families' wishes and agency
- q) Promotes the client's independence in business. independence in hygiene and dressing by:

  i) placing all articles
  - within client's reach
    ii) offering encouragement

  - and praise

    iii) by using modified

    personal toilet articles

    ie: magnifying mirrors,

    lengthened handles on lengthened handles on combs, brushes (9.05) (9.05)
    - iv) instructing client on
      how to use assistive
      devices and adapt to
      limitations
      (9.06)
      v) promoting client's
      decision-making
      regarding clothing and
      - regarding clothing and hygiene practices.

## 13. 24-Hour Clock System

a) Uses 24-hour clock system. Print-out (8.01)Schroetion Seales o

Clinical Practice

- 14. Accountability and Professional Orientation In-service Behaviour
  - a) Follows school's and agency's policies regarding uniform apparel.
  - b) Evaluates self as a health care aide on a daily, weekly basis.
  - c) Makes a plan for selfdevelopment.
    (1.07)
  - d) Willingly accepts feedback from instructor regarding
  - performance.
    e) Maintains consistently satisfactory standards of performance. (1.01)
  - f) Displays a receptive and responsive attitude towards clients, peers, instructors and host agency staff. (1.01)
  - g) Demonstrates behaviours that show respect and caring for the worth and dignity of
  - all clients.

    h) Demonstrates respect for school and agency supplies and equipment.

    (1.01)

    i) Assignments handed in on
  - i) Assignments handed in on
  - i) Assignments handed in on time.

    j) Participates in clinical conferences and lab practice sessions.

  - k) Prepared for clinical assignment.

    1) Requests assistance when appropriate does not perform care which is part of the role of a Health Care Aide student.
- 15. Recognize and care for dangerous WHMIS Training Session substances in accordance with Workplace Hazardous Material Information System (WHMIS).
- Note: 1. Numbers is parenthesis refer to objectives from the Ministry of Education Health Care Aide Programme Guide and Performance Objectives.

## V. <u>EVALUATION</u> <u>METHODS</u>: (includes assignments, attendance requirements, etc.)

Clinical experience is essential to gain competence and the level of skill necessary to meet the programme objectives, therefore, students must attend all clinical experiences, including college laboratories. All students are expected to come prepared with knowledge of content and understanding of nursing skills taught to date.

Daily assignments, questions re: skills and performance are assessed daily. Skills Testing will be done on the following skills: R.O.M., Lifts and Transfers and Vital Signs

Weekly self evaluations and weekly teacher evaluations of clinical performance are completed. A final evaluation by both student and teacher are done on completion of Unit I. Students must obtain a "Satisfactory" grade on the final evaluation. Students who do not meet the objectives will be given an "Unsatisfactory" grade.

## VI. REQUIRED STUDENT RESOURCES:

- 1. Mosby's Textbook for Nursing Assistants, 3rd edition, Sorrentino, Sheila A., R.N., B.S.N., M.A.
- 2. Mosby's Workbook for Nursing Assistants, 3rd edition, Kelly, Relda Timmeney, R.N., B.S.N.
- 3. "You Can Do It", Communication Workbook.

# VII. ADDITIONAL RESOURCE MATERIALS AVAILABLE IN THE COLLEGE LIBRARY BOOK SECTION: (title, publisher, edition, date, library call number if applicable)

### VIII. SPECIAL NOTES:

Objectives follow the Health Care Aide Skills Checklist developed by the Professional Advisory Council of the Ontario Nursing Home Association, 1990.

Students with special needs (eg: physical limitations, visual impairments, hearing impairments, learning disabilities) are encouraged to discuss required accommodations confidentially with the instructor.

Your instructor reserves the right to modify the course as he/she deems necessary to meet the needs of students.