

DEPARTMENT OF NURSING EDUCATION & HEALTH STUDIES

COURSE OUTLINE – Fall 2022

HC1040: Providing Person Centered Care and Comfort – 5 (5.4-0-0) 14Weeks/75Hours

Northwestern Polytechnic acknowledges that our campuses are located on Treaty 8 territory, the ancestral and present-day home to many diverse First Nations, Metis, and Inuit people. We are grateful to work, live and learn on the traditional territory of Duncan's First Nation, Horse Lake First Nation and Sturgeon Lake Cree Nation, who are the original caretakers of this land.

We acknowledge the history of this land and we are thankful for the opportunity to walk together in friendship, where we will encourage and promote positive change for present and future generations.

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CALENDAR DESCRIPTION: 5 (5.4-0-0) 14Weeks/75Hours

In this course, the learner will learn to support clients to maintain their independence and meet their care needs according to individual care plans. The learner will acquire the skills and knowledge needed to assist clients with daily grooming and hygiene and to assist clients to walk and use mobility aides and wheelchairs safely. The learner will learn several methods for carrying out client lifts and transfers, with a focus on client safety and comfort. Upon completion of the course, the learner will have an excellent baseline knowledge of standards for meeting client nutritional needs and strict guidelines in safe food handling as set out in minimum provincial expectations

PREREQUISITE(S)/COREQUISITE: HC1010, HC1020 & HC1030**REQUIRED TEXT/RESOURCE MATERIALS:**

Alberta Government. (2018, April). *Alberta health care aide competency profile*. Retrieved November 9, 2021, from <https://open.alberta.ca/publications/9781460137253>

Wilk, M. (2022). *Sorrentino's Canadian clinical skills: Skills for personal support workers*. <https://evolve.elsevier.com>

Wilk, M. (2022). *Sorrentino's Canadian textbook for the support worker* (5th ed.). Elsevier Inc.
Wilk, M., & Sekhon, N. (2022). *Workbook to accompany Sorrentino's Canadian textbook for the support worker* (5th ed.). Elsevier Inc.

Post-secondary institutions may also want to supplement the curriculum with other resources. There are many open resources that have valuable information for developing learning activities

Note: Use only the video clips from *Sorrentino's Canadian Textbook for the Support Worker* series (except where indicated) that are referenced in the Learner Guide, as the video clips that are not referenced may have practices that are not taught in the HCA Curriculum.

RECOMMENDED TEXTBOOKS

Murray, L. (2014). *Integrating a Palliative Approach: Essentials for Personal Support Workers*. Saanichton, BC, Canada: Life and Death Matters.

ADDITIONAL HCA PROVINCIAL CURRICULUM COURSE RESOURCES

Nearly all of the courses in the HCA I Curriculum have “references” at the end of each module with direct links for resources that can be accessed by learners or instructors. It is not the role of this Instructor Guide to monitor the accessibility of the website links listed in the references for each course.

If instructors have the Internet available in the classroom, they may wish to link directly to some of the listed references. Learners who have access to the Internet may wish to do further research as a learning enhancement activity. For these learners, it is important that the “source” of the information be obtained.

College libraries have many resources and librarians who can possibly help with journal articles or appropriate audio-visual materials.

There are many federal and provincial government-sponsored websites with current information related to the services provided by HCAs:

- Health Canada
- Government of Alberta
- Alberta Health Services
- Alberta Seniors and Community Supports
- Alberta Continuing Care Association
- Food Safe Alberta

DELIVERY MODE(S):

This course is delivered by 1.3 hours of lecture per week and 2.6 hours of lab per week; over the course of 14 weeks.

LEARNING OUTCOMES:

1. Describe knowledge of providing person-centred care and comfort within the HCA role in the following skill areas: client grooming and personal hygiene, bathing, bed making, assisting with elimination, client mobility, positioning, transfers, and lifts, assisting at mealtimes and with food safety, and using basic knowledge of body systems.
2. Define evidence-informed practice and guidelines for assisting with each of the activities of daily living skills.

3. Describe the importance of the client’s strengths needs, rights, preferences, and expectations, and their willingness and ability to participate in their care.
4. Demonstrate ethical person-centred care related to assisting with activities of daily living skills and following the client care plan in the acute and continuing care settings (home care, long-term care, and supportive living).
5. Identify knowledge of the collaborative teams’ roles and responsibilities within the assistance of each of the activities of daily living skills.
6. Describe key elements of the palliative care approach that can be applied to the planning, implementation, and assistance of activities of daily living skills.
7. Demonstrate competence (knowledge, skills, behaviours, and attitudes) by applying evidence-informed practice and guidelines when assisting with activities of daily living skills.
8. Apply the principles of professional and accurate communication through instruction, delivery, reporting, and documentation of activities of daily living skills.
9. Apply communication techniques and strategies that support diverse clients displaying responsive behaviours when assisting with activities of daily living skills.
10. Demonstrate client and personal safety by recognizing and responding to safety hazards, near misses, reporting abuse, following infection prevention and control principles, conducting client transfers, and handling and operating health equipment safely

TRANSFERABILITY:

Please consult the Alberta Transfer Guide for more information. You may check to ensure the transferability of this course at the Alberta Transfer Guide main page <http://www.transferalberta.ca>.

**** Grade of D or D+ may not be acceptable for transfer to other post-secondary institutions. Students are cautioned that it is their responsibility to contact the receiving institutions to ensure transferability**

GRADING CRITERIA:

(The following criteria may be changed to suite the particular course/instructor)

Please note that most universities will not accept your course for transfer credit **IF** your grade is **less than C-**.

Alpha Grade	4-point Equivalent	Percentage Guidelines		Alpha Grade	4-point Equivalent	Percentage Guidelines
A+	4.0	90-100		C+	2.3	67-69
A	4.0	85-89		C	2.0	63-66
A-	3.7	80-84		C-	1.7	60-62
B+	3.3	77-79		D+	1.3	55-59
B	3.0	73-76		D	1.0	50-54
B-	2.7	70-72		F	0.0	00-49

EVALUATIONS: Pass/Fail

Evaluation	Value	Date
High Impact Consolidation Lab/Scenario Testing	Pass/Fail	November 14, 16, 17, 21, 23 & 24th
Final Exam (50 multiple choice questions)	Passing mark of 70% or better	December 1 st , 2022
Attendance and Participation (Lab)	Pass/Fail	
Attendance and Participation (Lecture)	Pass/Fail	

This course follows the Health Care Aid Provincial Curriculum Program Standards and Policies developed by the Government of Alberta.

LECTURES AND LABS:

Attendance at all lectures and labs is expected. Absences from any lecture, or lab will jeopardize overall performance.

ATTENDANCE AND PARTICIPATION(LAB):

By the end of each lab, students are responsible to demonstrate beginning proficiency and competence with each of the skills offered in this course. Attendance at all labs is required and students are responsible to consult with the Lab Instructor to make up for missed labs. To develop proficiency and psychomotor expertise students are encouraged to practice at home or during regularly schedule practice labs.

ATTENDANCE AND PARTICIPATION(LECTURE):

Lab lectures are interactive classes designed to delve into the application of the theory and skills learned over the past week. Attendance at Lab/Lectures is required to Pass the *Attendance and Participation* component of HC1040.

COURSE SCHEDULE/TENTATIVE TIMELINE:

Refer to the HC1040 MyClass site for the course calendar and course schedule/ tentative timeline.

STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES:

Refer to the College Policy on Student Rights and Responsibilities at:

www.gprc.ab.ca/d/STUDENTRESPONSIBILITIES

For policies related to clinical absences, immunizations, uniforms, and other clinical requirements please see the GPRC Department of Nursing Education & Health Studies Student Handbook on MyClass.

STATEMENT ON PLAGIARISM AND CHEATING:

Cheating and plagiarism will not be tolerated and there will be penalties. For a more precise definition of plagiarism and its consequences, refer to the Student Conduct section of the College Calendar at <https://www.nwpolytech.ca/programs/calendar/> or the College Policy on Student Misconduct: Plagiarism and Cheating at <https://www.nwpolytech.ca/about/administration/policies/index.html>

**Note: all Academic and Administrative policies are available on the same page.