

ERIE COUNTY TECHNICAL SCHOOL

PROPOSED AGENDA ITEM

DATE: February 2007

SUBJECT: New Course Addition to Health Assistant Curriculum

CATEGORY: Operations: X Policy: Information: Personnel:

INITIATED BY: Jan Kennerknecht

DESCRIPTION:

With the approval of the Joint Operating Committee, we will add a new course for Health Assistant students who wish to take a certification exam offered by the National Healthcareer Association. Students will have an option of taking a 45-hour course called Preparation for Certified EKG/ECG Technician.

RECOMMENDATION:

Motion to approve the addition of a new 45-hour course titled Preparation for Certified EKG/ECG Technician to be included as an option in the Health Assistant program.

	<i>HEALTH ASSISTANT</i>
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**Erie County Technical School
HEALTH ASSISTANT**

Expected Characteristics and Traits for Success

Students preparing to enter the Health Assistant field will be working in one of the most rapidly growing fields of education and employment opportunities. The Health Assistant program is designed to prepare the student for entry level employment by learning basic patient care skills, concepts and terms needed in the health field. Because this is a performance-based occupation, personal characteristics of the student must be carefully considered. Expectations are listed below.

Prospective students should:

- Has excellent attendance (95% or above is Industry Standards).
- Is physically fit (able to lift 50 pounds by themselves & remain on their feet for long periods of time).
- Should have 9th grade reading skills.
- Should have 9th grade science skills
- Should have 9th grade math skills.
- Is able to follow written and verbal instructions.
- Must communicate well in writing and verbally.
- Must be “safety conscious” for giving direct patient care.
- Must be able to work as part of a team.
- Must have organization skills.
- Must be a self-starter that is able to stay on task.
- Will need uniform and leather shoes to meet daily uniform requirements.

Health Assistant Program Guide

Content Area	Course Title	Course Number	Course Hours
00	Professional Practices in Health Care		
	Health Care in the Community	HEA201	15
	Job Roles	HEA 202	15
	Rights & Responsibilities	HEA 203	45
	Professional Development in Health Care	HEA 301	45
	Medical Ethics	HEA 302	15
	Health & Wellness	HEA 303	15
	Leadership	HEA 109	15
	Business Principles	HEA 209	15
	Total Quality Concepts	HEA 309	15
	Employability Skills	HEA 304	45
10-20	Human Anatomy, Physiology and Disease		
	Introduction to Human Body	HEA 111	45
	Integumentary System	HEA 112	30
	Skeletal System	HEA 113	45
	Muscular System	HEA 114	15
	Digestive System	HEA 115	45
	Respiratory System	HEA 116	45
	Cardiovascular System	HEA 117	45
	Lymphatic System	HEA 118	30
	Urinary System	HEA 119	45
	Endocrine System	HEA 121	30
	Nervous System	HEA 122	45
	Reproductive Systems	HEA 123	45
	Cancer & Abnormalities	HEA 124	15
30	Patient Care & Comfort		
	Patient Care Communication	HEA 231	30
	Body Mechanics	HEA 232	45
	Vital Signs	HEA 233	45
	Bed Making	HEA 234	15
	Comfort Measures I	HEA 235	45
	Comfort Measures II	HEA 236	45
	Nutritional Needs	HEA 237	45
	Elderly Care	HEA 238	45

PROPOSED CHANGE

70	Human Growth & Development		
	Infant & Child	HEA 371	15
	Adult	HEA 372	15
	Death & Dying	HEA 273	30
80-90	Medical Practices & Procedures		
	Colostomy Care	HEA 281	30
	Infection Control	HEA 381	15
	First Aid & Safety I	HEA 382	30
	First Aid & Safety II	HEA 383	30
	Patient Assessments	HEA 384	45
	Documentation	HEA 385	30
	Surgical Care	HEA 386	45
	Physical Therapy Care	HEA 387	30
	Subacute Care	HEA 388	30
	Alternative Medicine	HEA 389	15
	Pharmacology	HEA 391	30
	Physical Examinations	HEA 392	30
	Heat & Cold Applications	HEA 393	15
	Preparation for Certified EKG/ECG Technician	HEA 394	45



HEALTH ASSISTANT COURSE SEQUENCE CHART- Proposed

YEAR I	<u>1st Quarter</u> HEA 111 45 Introduction to Anatomy & Physiology HEA 112 30 Integumentary System HEA 113 45 Skeletal System TOTAL :120	<u>2nd Quarter</u> HEA 114 15 Muscular System HEA 115 45 Digestive System HEA 116 45 Respiratory System HEA 124 15 Cancer & Abnormalities TOTAL :120	<u>3rd Quarter</u> HEA 117 45 Cardiovascular System HEA 118 30 Lymphatic System HEA 119 45 Urinary System TOTAL: 120	<u>4th Quarter</u> HEA 121 30 Endocrine System HEA 122 45 Nervous System HEA 123 45 Reproductive System TOTAL: 120
YEAR II	<u>1st Quarter</u> HEA 201 15 Health Care in Community HEA 202 15 Job Roles HEA 203 45 Rights & Responsibilities HEA 238 45 Elderly Care TOTAL: 120	<u>2nd Quarter</u> HEA 231 30 Communication HEA392 45 Body Mechanics HEA 233 45 Vital Signs TOTAL: 120	<u>3rd Quarter</u> HEA 235 45 Comfort Measures I HEA 236 45 Comfort Measures II HEA 281 30 Colostomy Care TOTAL: 120	<u>4th Quarter</u> HEA 273 30 Death & Dying HEA 237 45 Nutritional Needs HEA 234 15 Bed Making HEA 271 15 Infant/Child Growth HEA 272 15 Adult Growth TOTAL: 120
YEAR III	<u>1st Quarter</u> HEA 304 45 Employability Skills HEA 381 15 Infection Control HEA 382 30 First Aid & Safety I HEA 383 30 First Aid & Safety II TOTAL: 120	<u>2nd Quarter</u> HEA 302 15 Medical Ethics HEA 386 45 Surgical Care HEA 388 30 Subacute Care HEA 385 30 Documentation TOTAL: 120	<u>3rd Quarter</u> HEA 384 45 Patient Assessment HEA 389 15 Alternative Medicine HEA 391 30 Pharmacology HEA 392 30 Physical Examinations TOTAL: 120	<u>4th Quarter</u> HEA 303 30 Health & Wellness HEA 387 30 Physical Therapy Care HEA 393 15 Heat & Cold Applications HEA394 Preparation for Certified EKG/ECG Technician 45 TOTAL: 120

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