

Hemodialysis Patient Care Specialist Certificate (HPC1)

DESCRIPTION

The Hemodialysis Patient Care Specialist Technical Certificate of Credit equips health care workers with the skills, knowledge, and attitude necessary to succeed in the field of hemodialysis.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates of the program may gain employment in hospitals, health care agencies and dialysis facilities.

ACCREDITATION/APPROVAL

None at this time.

LICENSURE/CERTIFICATION

Students will be eligible for certification through the National Nephrology Certification Organization.

ADMISSIONS CRITERIA

1. Submit a completed application and application fee;
2. Submit official high school transcripts or GED transcripts;
3. Be at least 18 years of age;
- Meet the following assessment requirements:

TEST	Reading	Writing	Numerical
COMPASS	70	32	26
SAT	430	NA	400
ACT	13	12	17

HEMODIALYSIS PATIENT CARE SPECIALIST CURRICULUM

The curriculum for the Hemodialysis Patient Care Specialist certificate program is designed for the semester system. A student may enter the program any semester. To graduate, students must earn a minimum of 17 semester credit hours. The program requires a minimum of 405 contact hours and generally takes two semesters to complete.

Program Courses	Credits
ALHS 1040 - Introduction to Health Care	3
COMP 1000 - Introduction to Computers (OL)	3
HECT 1100 - Hemodialysis Patient Care*	7
HECT 1120 - Hemodialysis Practicum	4

*(OL) designation indicates course may be available online during selected semesters. * "C" or higher grade is required for this course.*

PROGRAM COSTS

- Tuition/Fees: \$1,455
- Books/Supplies: \$250
- Uniform Costs: Approximately \$100*
- Liability Insurance: \$11 per fiscal year
- Physical Exam: \$150
- TB Test: \$40
- Hepatitis B Series: \$265
- #4402 Forensic Drug panel (7) or similar screening: \$25
- Criminal Background check: \$39-\$80
- Certification Exam: \$250

NOTE: There may be additional program costs (drug screen, criminal background check, etc.), depending on the occupational courses required. Students will be notified by the program advisor prior to enrolling.

(Costs are estimates and are subject to change.)

CLINICAL EDUCATION

Number of Clinical Sites: 10

General Location of the Clinical Sites: Bulloch, Evans, and Screven Counties.

Special Requirements of the Clinical Sites:

4. CPR Certification; First Aid Training;
5. Beginning students must submit a medical exam stating that the student is in good health. This must include documentation of TB skin testing, all required immunizations, including Hepatitis B. Students who refuse the Hepatitis B vaccination series must sign a declination form and be aware that clinical sites may refuse to accept them. Forms will be provided by the instructor;
6. Criminal Background Check
7. Urine Drug Screen

Clinical Education Courses

The Hemodialysis Patient Care Specialist program provides students with an opportunity for in-depth application and reinforcement of principles and techniques in a supervised work setting. Students in the Hemodialysis Patient Care Specialist program will be required to participate in a practicum experience during HECT 1120 for a minimum of 120 hours during the semester. The practicum experience allows the student to become involved in a professional work situation applying technical skills. Students may not receive pay from the clinical site for practicum hours.

Clinical Assignments

Clinical times may vary depending on the shift work and working hours of the various clinical facilities. Clinical sites are selected by the program coordinator. Students are responsible for having reliable transportation to the site. Some sites may require the student to travel outside of Bulloch County.

TOP 10 REASONS

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