

Course Syllabus

Course: *Management of Care*

Department: Life & Health Sciences

Host Institution: *University of Nicosia, Cyprus*



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Course Summary

Course Code	Course Title	ECTS Credits
HS-215A	Management of Care	6
Subject	Contact Hours	Prerequisites
Health Sciences	42-45	Health major
Department	Level of Course	Language of Instruction
Life & Health Sciences	Lower-Division	English

Course Description

The course aims to cover the organizational and financial structure of the health care provision in Cyprus and the EU and to identify the role of politics in the development of health legislation and state welfare implementation provision. It also aims to explore how the various health systems within Cyprus and other EU and Non-EU countries are funded and functioned. It will also address the relationships between the various health professionals and how these affect the efficiency of the countries health system and structure. The course explores further the developing role of the health care practitioners within the health care system and emphasizes the importance of critical thinking in the management of patient in health care settings.

This course will enable students to understand the holistic approach to health (individual-family-groups-community) to look at factors that mitigate against health, how people perceive and conceptualize health; and how health is promoted in a range of settings and contexts, including Primary Health Care (government and wider social policies, ethics and law). It Also explores health practitioners (nurses, doctors, health promoters, doctor's office assistants, physio) roles/responsibilities within the health system and their contemporary role in society.

Prerequisites (if applicable)

Health major

Learning Outcomes

By the end of the course the student will:

- Be able to explore the key influences on the development of contemporary health organizations
- Be able to link current topical issue in health care to the historical development of the health care professions.
- Identify the main policy health issues in Cyprus and other EU countries.
- Discuss possible future directions and likely obstacles for health care organization.
- Explain the concept of accountability from a personal, professional and legal perspective
- Understand the legal framework for management of care
- Identify the concept of respect for others.

Course Outline

Topic Areas Covered

CONTEMPORARY ISSUES IN HEALTH CARE DELIVERY:

- Evolution in Health care delivery
- Health Care Delivery Systems in Cyprus and EU countries
- The changing role of the Health care professionals, in society and education
- Legal aspects of Health care
- Accountability vs Responsibility

- Transcultural issues in Health

ORGANISATIONAL ISSUES IN CARE DELIVERY:

- Approaches to the measurement of health
- Access to medical epidemiology, demographic and social indicator data within a given population
- Link of research and theory and care delivery
- Attributes of culture and how these impact upon individual behaviors and beliefs.
- The importance of research for practice development

Tasks and Assignments

Conferencing Topics

During the 1hour conferencing the students will be discussing the fundamental knowledge and skills they must develop, with reference to specific examples and as to how this knowledge is applied to practice setting.

- Identify how information on data bases relating to health and the health system can be used to network with other professionals
- Developing of research awareness
- Identify the biological, psychological and social factors which influence health, health choices and the delivery of care
- The rights and duties of the individuals in relation to promoting personal health and complying with prescribed treatment.
- Explain the various health professional role in relation to health care, demonstrating an awareness of the strengths and limitations of those roles in relation to health care

Course Assignment: Students are required to write a 2,000-word essay. Topic will be given by course lecturers on commencement of the course

Site Visits

- Visit various Private sector hospitals/clinics
 - Visit Public General Hospitals in Nicosia/Limassol or Larnaca
 - Visit the Makareio Public Hospital for Women and Children
 - Visit the Institute of Neurology and Genetics
- *subject to visitor policies at the time

Readings and Resources

Recommended Reading

Dimond, B. (2010) Legal Aspects of Nursing. 3rd ed. London: Prentice-Hall

Foot et al., (2014) Managing quality in community health care services. The KingsFund

Commers, M. J. (2002) Determinants of Health: Theory, Understanding, Portrayal, Policy, Kluwer Academic Publishers

ME Kruk, E Kelley, SB Syed, F Tarp, T Addison, Y Akachi; (2017) Measuring quality of health-care services: what is known and where are the gaps? Bulletin of the World Health Organization - ncbi.nlm.nih.gov

Brock et al., (2014) Restructuring the Professional Organization Accounting, health care and law. Simultaneously published in the USA and Canada by Routledge

Srivastava, H. R. (2023) Guide to Cultural Competence. Publishers Elsevier (E-book)

Other Academic Policies

Class attendance is compulsory. If unable to attend a class, students must inform the course lecturer in advance. A maximum of 20% excused absences is tolerated; however beyond this percentage, students will be withdrawn from the course. Moreover, any work missed due to absence must be completed on return to class.

