



School of Nursing and Health Professions

Syllabus



Term: Credit: 3 CR **Office Hours:**

Course Code: HLT 210 ONLINE **Office Location:**

Title of Course: Medical Law and Ethics **Email:**

Days & Times: **Phone:**

Location: **Prerequisites/ Corequisites:**

Instructor:

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

This course examines the legal aspects of the relationship between the patient and health care service providers. The legal obligations of health care providers are discussed. Subject matter covered includes, but is not limited to, topics such as negligence, malpractice, uniform donor acts, informed consent, medical ethics, living wills, and current trends in this area.

COURSE OBJECTIVES:

Upon the successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

1. Identify the Branches of Public and Private Law.
2. Describe Joint Screening Panels, Physician Review Panels, Arbitration Process, Litigation Process.
3. List types of contracts; parts of a contract; health care professional' s responsibilities to the patient under contract law
4. Differentiate between implied and expressed/written consent. Discuss information necessary for informed consent. Identify procedures to ensure confidentiality of health information and the procedures for release of health information; HIPAA.
5. Differentiate among Licensure, Certification, Registration. Discuss Administrative Law, the Accreditation Process, the DEA.
6. Define and Give Examples of: Doctrine of Respondeat Superior, Res Ipsa Loquitur, Doctrine of informed Consent. Define terms appropriate to liability.
7. Define Canterbury Role; Identify salient points in Uniform Anatomical Gift Act; living will/durable power of attorney; commitment procedures; assault and battery in health care.
8. Discuss Supreme Court's rulings on abortion.
9. List the contents of a medical record; retention requirements; corrections and alterations.

10. Discuss AMA's Principles of Medical Ethics, Medical Practice Acts. Describe the Responsibilities of the Joint Commission, PRO, quality assurance and risk management programs.
11. Describe proper trial behavior for the health care professional.
12. List health care professional's rights and responsibilities and the patient's rights and responsibilities.

EVALUATION METHODS:

Learning Activities	Points
Discussions	210
Assignments	320
Project Assignments	470
Total	1000

Points (Hudson Online)	Percentage (%)	Letter Grade
940-1000	94% - 100%	A
900-939	90% - 93%	A-
870-899	87% - 89%	B+
830-869	83% - 86%	B
800-829	80% - 82%	B-
770-799	77% - 79%	C+
700-769	70% - 76%	C
600-699	60% - 69%	D
0-599	0% - 59%	F

WEEKLY OUTLINE:

Unit	Topic	Learning Outcomes (L.O)
1	Foundations of Medical Law	SLO 1, 2, 12
2	Healthcare Regulations and Compliance	SLO 3, 4, 8
3	Contracts, Consent, and Patient Rights	SLO 5, 6, 7
4	Professional Ethics and Responsibilities	SLO 9, 10
5	Legal Doctrines and Malpractice	SLO11, 6
6	Interdisciplinary Healthcare Issues	SLO 8, 10, 12
7	Advanced Bioethics and Law	SLO 11, 12, 7

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