Faculty of Health and Medical Sciences
School of Health Sciences

Care of the Acutely Ill Patient
Module Code HCRM002

Credits / Level of Study 15 credits / Level 7

Module Aims
This module aims to:

- enable healthcare professionals to respond critically and competently to the needs of the acutely ill person
- enable complex and creative evidence based management decisions to be made within context of the student’s area of practice
- enhance student’s inter-professional communication and collaboration skills
- enable healthcare professionals work with accountability to make management decisions that centre on patient safety and comfort

Delivery of Module
The learning and teaching methods include:

- Online content
- Facilitated seminars
- Peer group discussions
- Practice presentations

Assessment
PowerPoint presentation with supporting materials

Learning Outcomes
On successful completion of this module, students will be able to:

- Demonstrate systematic and comprehensive knowledge and understanding of physiological processes of acute illness and how they impact on patient management
- Demonstrate critical understanding of the accountability associated with managing the acutely ill patient in a safe and effective manner
- Demonstrate substantial knowledge and the innovative application of the evidence base supporting their acutely ill patient management decisions, within the context of the students area of practice
- Critically evaluate the effective communication skills required for managing the acutely ill patient and their family/significant others within the inter-professional team

Module Content
Indicative content includes optional and core sessions:

- Optional sessions: disease or system specific areas of practice such as diabetes, cancer, respiratory or neurological; how this can precipitate acute illness, and the appropriate management strategies
- Core sessions: collaborative management planning with patients and or carers, frameworks for responding to acute illness, effective communication to ensure inter-professional working and intergrated care, managing patient safety

Pre-requisites/co-requisites of study
The students should be working within an environment that manages patients with acute health needs
Students will require evidence of having studied patient assessment such as the level 6 Health Assessment or level 7 Complex Health Assessment module.

Study Dates
January 2017: 16, 23, 30
February 2016: 6, 13, 20

*Please check our website to ensure that there have been no revisions to the course dates listed

Location
Duke of Kent Building, University of Surrey

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