

Module 5: Emergency Care

Facilitator Notes

This module takes 6 hours to deliver in an online format. In this module students should be aware that emergency care is a nursing specialty which is multi-dimensional requiring knowledge of various body systems, disease processes, and in which they will deal with all age groups. The triage nurse is normally skilled to care for emergent (trauma care) and non-emergent cases.

Student Guide/Materials:

Rebar, C.R., Gersch, C.J. and Heimgartner, N.M. (2019). *Emergency Nursing Made Incredibly Easy*. 3rd edition, Lippincott Williams & Wilkins, Pennsylvania.

Skills Assessment

In this module students are expected to demonstrate these five emergency skills they will require:

- Ability to think and act fast
- Calmness
- Communication
- Excellent coping skills
- Triage skills

Learning Activity

Reach out to your partner and quiz each other on body systems and the anatomical areas. In seven (7) minutes, carry out a head-to-toe assessment and document your findings.

Clinical Scenario 1

A 25-year old was admitted in pre-term labor at 34 weeks gestation. She is experiencing recurrent abdominal cramps.

You have two (2) minutes to read the scenario. You will have seven (7) minutes to:

- Obtain a brief, focused and relevant history
- Address client concern
- Conduct a physical assessment as needed

NOTE: As they proceed with the examination, the candidates must explain to the examiner what they are doing and describe any findings

At the seven (7) minute mark, you will have four (4) minutes to answer the examiner's questions related to the scenario.

Candidates will have eleven (11) minutes to complete the station.

Clinical Scenario 2

Mr. Evans is a 65-year-old gentleman who reports to the hospital with shortness of breath and is on 15 litres of oxygen.

You have two (2) minutes to read the scenario. You will have seven (7) minutes to:

- Obtain a brief, focused and relevant history
- Address client concern
- Conduct a physical assessment as needed

NOTE: As they proceed with the examination, the candidates must explain to the examiner what they are doing and describe any findings

At the seven (7) minute mark, you will have four (4) minutes to answer the examiner's questions related to the scenario.

Candidates will have eleven (11) minutes to complete the station

Clinical Scenario 3

40-year-old Ken presents at the emergency department with chest pains and dyspnea which he reports has been occurring for the past three days.

You have two (2) minutes to read the scenario. You will have seven (7) minutes to:

- Obtain a brief, focused and relevant history
- Address client concern
- Conduct a physical assessment as needed

NOTE: As they proceed with the examination, the candidates must explain to the examiner what they are doing and describe any findings

At the seven (7) minute mark, you will have four (4) minutes to answer the examiner's questions related to the scenario.

Candidates will have eleven (11) minutes to complete the station