

Foundations of Faith Community Nursing Course



April 3, 2018: 4:30-8:30 p.m.; April 5, 2018: 4:30-8:30 p.m.
April 7, 2018: 8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.; April 17, 2018 4:30-8:30 p.m.;
April 19, 2018 4:30-8:30 p.m.; April 21, 2018: 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
Self Study – three hours

**Location: Mercy Medical Center, Education Rooms A and B
Basement Level – 701 10th St. SE, Cedar Rapids, IA**

PURPOSE:

Faith community nursing (also called parish nursing) is a recognized specialty practice that combines professional nursing and health ministry. Faith community nursing emphasizes health and healing within a faith community. This course will provide the basic preparation for the nurse interested in practicing in the faith community nurse role in her/his faith community. The Foundations of Faith Community Nursing Curriculum course is based on the curriculum developed through the International Parish Nurse Resource Center, which curriculum is owned by Church Health Center of Memphis, Inc., 1210 Peabody Avenue, Memphis, TN 38104.

OBJECTIVES:

- Describe how the history and philosophy of healthcare and nursing provides a spiritual foundation for parish nursing.
- Describe the roles of faith community in promoting health, healing, and wholeness.
- Identify ethical issues in parish nursing practice.
- Discuss the importance of documentation including legal responsibilities.
- Describe professional boundaries and the need to establish them.
- Discuss communication techniques, including characteristics of active listening and therapeutic communication.
- Describe transforming life issues of family violence, suffering, grief and loss.
- Identify how to access resources for individual and families in the faith community.
- Discuss the role of health advocate within the context of parish nursing.
- Explore the need for interdisciplinary collaboration among health care providers.

FACULTY:

Ronda Anderson, RN, Parish Nurse, Bethany Lutheran Church, Cedar Rapids

Melissa Cullum, RN, MSN, MBA, Faculty Affiliate, IPNRC

Additional faculty from the community as appropriate for the different subject matter covered.

CONTINUING EDUCATION:

35 contact hours of nursing continuing education credit will be awarded for attending all classes for the course. Mercy Medical Center, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, is IBN Provider #57. No partial credit will be given.

REGISTRATION FEE:

Course registration fee is \$100 which includes all learning materials, food, refreshments, and continuing education credit. Registration is open through March 19, 2018.

For questions or to register, please call Melissa Cullum, Director of Community Benefit and Patient Relations, at Mercy Medical Center, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, at 319-221-8568 or email at mcullum@mercy.org.

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