Course Prefix and Number: RSTH 220
Credit Hours: 3

Course Title: Pulmonary Disease

Course Prerequisites: Admission to program


Course Description:
This course is designed to provide the student with an understanding of the epidemiology, etiology, pathophysiology, clinical manifestations, diagnostic and management techniques of the more prevalent pulmonary diseases.

Learning Outcomes:
At the end of this course the student will:

A. relate etiology and pathophysiology to pulmonary diseases with a general appreciation of the impact on the cardiopulmonary system;
B. appreciate clinical manifestations of pulmonary disease with emphasis on diagnostic in order to appropriately determine therapeutic interventions; and
C. demonstrate the ability to utilize technology to locate current information on an approved topic and produce a written report.

To achieve the learning outcomes, the student will

1. review data in patient record to determine diagnosis and treatment of lung diseases or disorders based on patient history, physical exam, and diagnostic data. (A, B)
2. explain the different components of chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (A)
3. differentiate clinical manifestations of pulmonary diseases (A, B)
4. list various environmental lung hazards (A, B)
5. describe the effects of smoking and second-hand smoke and understand the methods of patient education relating to smoking cessation (A,B)
6. recognize prevalent pulmonary problems found in the neonate and pediatric populations (A,B)
7. discuss, classify, and differentiate between various types of lung disease and recommend respiratory therapy interventions to treat or manage them (A,B)
8. recognize, diagnose and recommend treatment for sleep disorders (A,B)
9. recognize potential pulmonary complications post surgery and modify respiratory therapy to optimize recovery (A,B)
10. locate anatomical landmarks, various structures, and pathological signs on chest radiograph, CT, and MRI scans (B)
11. identify abnormal findings on chest radiograph, CT, and MRI scans and determine medical intervention necessary to treat condition (B)

Course Requirements: To earn a grade of “C” or higher the student must earn 70% of the total points for the course and meet all of the following course requirements.

- minimum overall average of 70% in the course
- completion of prior-approved research paper

Course Grading Scale:

A- 90% or more of total possible points from exams, quizzes and research paper and completion of approved research project
B- 80% or more of total possible points from exams, quizzes and research paper and completion of approved research project
C- 70% or more of total possible points from exams, quizzes and research paper and completion of approved research project
D- less than 70% of total possible points but not less than 60% of total possible points and/or failure to complete the prior-approved research paper
F- less than 60% of total possible points and/or failure to complete approved research project

Attendance Policy: The college attendance policy, which is available at [http://www.bpcc.edu/catalog/current/academicpolicies.html](http://www.bpcc.edu/catalog/current/academicpolicies.html), allows that “more restrictive attendance requirements may apply to some specialized classes such as laboratory, activity, and clinical courses because of the nature of those courses.” The attendance policy of the Respiratory Therapy program is described in the Respiratory Therapy Clinical Handbook.

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