

MED 105 : HIV/AIDS and Other Bloodborne Pathogens for Medical Assistants

Credits 1

Quarter Offered Fall, Summer

This course offers training in the etiology, epidemiology, transmission, testing, and treatment of HIV/ AIDS, Hepatitis B and C, and many other bloodborne pathogens. Students will review infection control, counseling and confidential interviews with patients, and the legal, ethical, and psychosocial issues related to exposure to bloodborne pathogens and other potentially infectious materials. This class may include students from multiple sections.

Course Outcomes

Competencies/Objectives/Outcomes/Methods of Assessment/Assignment:

- Describe the etiology and epidemiology of HIV/AIDS, associated opportunistic infections, and side effects related to treatments for the virus/syndrome
- Articulate standard precautions, universal precautions and post-exposure prophylaxis for healthcare workers exposed to bloodborne pathogen
- Discuss confidentiality, incident reporting, and other legal and ethical issues related to bloodborne pathogen exposure
- Review a variety of bloodborne pathogens such as Hepatitis B and C including transmission risks, testing and treatment, and possible sequelae related to active or past infection
- III.P.1. Participate in bloodborne pathogen training