COLLIN COLLEGE
DIVISION OF HEALTH SCIENCES
COURSE SYLLABUS

Course Information

Course Number: HITT 2328

Course Title: Introduction to Public Health

Course Description: A survey of how health care and public health services are organized and delivered in the U.S. Covers public policy, relevant organizations and their interrelationships, professional roles, legal and regulatory issues, and payment systems. Includes health reform initiatives in the U.S.

Course Credit Hours: 3
Lecture Hours: 3

Student Learning Outcomes:

- **State Mandated Outcomes:** Upon successful completion of this course, students will:
  1. Describe the medical model of healthcare in the U.S.
     (SCANS: F1, F2, F10)
  2. Discuss the role of various healthcare professionals, their education, and certification / licensure requirements.
     (SCANS: F1, F2, F10)
  3. Describe health care financing structures, including insurance plans, third-party payers, Medicare, and Medicaid.
     (SCANS: F1, F2, F10)
  4. Describe the organization and structures of HMOs, PPO, and IPAs.
     (SCANS: F1, F2, F10)
  5. Describe elements of coding and charge capture in healthcare.
     (SCANS: F1, F2, F10)
  6. Examine the function of government regulatory agencies.
     (SCANS: F1, F2, F10)
  7. Discuss HIPAA, confidentiality, medical malpractice, and tort reform.
     (SCANS: F1, F2, F10)
  8. Describe the role of public health in the U.S. at the federal, state, and local levels.
     (SCANS: F1, F2, F10)
  9. Describe evidence-based medicine, clinical practice guidelines, and quality indicators in medicine.
     (SCANS: F1, F2, F10)
  10. Identify key organizations involved in developing clinical guidelines.
      (SCANS: F1, F2, F10)
  11. Discuss the key issues regarding health care reform in the U.S.
      (SCANS: F1, F2, F10)

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http://www.collin.edu/academics/programs/Workforce_SCANS_Skills_Syllabi_Code_Key.pdf

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