

# UNIVERSITÀ DEGLI STUDI DI MILANO-BICOCCA

# **COURSE SYLLABUS**

# **Medical Jurisprudence**

2223-2-K0101D010-K0101D033M

#### **Aims**

The forensic medicine module aims to present the medical-legal methodology to be applied to all nurse/midwife medico-legal activities, in particular in managerial roles. Laws of nurse and midwife civil and criminal liability will be presented, completed with the description of some particular medical activities' regulations.

#### **Contents**

The discipline and the methodology of forensic medicine.

The medical records.

Informed consent.

Special legislations in medicine.

Criminal code and health.

Professional liability.

### **Detailed program**

The discipline and the methodology of forensic medicine: cause-and-effect relationship, medico-legal criteria.

The medical records: false written statements, nurse/midwife-patient privilege, errors in the nurse/midwife charts

and records.

Informed consent, refusal of medical treatment, advanced patient treatment directives and care planning. Patient and family communication errors, doctor-nurse/midwife communication errors.

Special legislations in medicine: organ transplant and organ donation, mandatory medical treatments; legal termination of pregnancy.

Criminal code and health: practicing without a license, mandatory communications to the state's attorney, child abuse and neglect, interpersonal and sexual violence, domestic violence, infanticide, murder of a consenting patient, female genital mutilation.

Civil and criminal professional liability of the nurse/midwife.

Forensic nurse and forensic midwife.

### **Prerequisites**

none

#### **Teaching form**

Face-to-face classroom: Lectures; the teacher promotes discussion among students on problems related to malpractice in medical care and health practices, involving students and asking them to report personal experiences and discussing real cases and professional examples.

#### Textbook and teaching resource

Italian Court Judgments, guidelines and other educational material uploaded in a file format .pdf on the e-learning website

Cicognani Alberto, Fallani Maurizio, Pelotti Susi *Medicina Legale*. Soc. Ed. Esculapio 2019 (hardcopy + ebook biblioteca unimib)

Tartaglia Riccardo, Vannucci Andrea (a cura di) *Prevenire gli eventi avversi nella pratica clinica*, Springer, 2013. (hardcopy + ebook biblioteca unimib)

St. Pierre Michael, Hofinger Gesine, Buerschaper Cornelius, Simon Robert, Daroui Ivan *Gestione delle crisi in medicina d'urgenza e terapia intensiva. Fattori Umani, psicologia di gruppo e sicurezza dei pazienti negli ambienti ad alto rischio.* Springer, 2013. (hardcopy + ebook biblioteca unimib)

Vincent Charles La sicurezza del paziente Spinger 2011. (hardcopy + ebook biblioteca unimib)

Simeoni Iole, De Santi Anna Maria *Comunicazione in medicina: collaborazione tra professionisti sanitari.* 1^ Ed. SEEd 2010. (hardcopy + ebook biblioteca unimib)

#### Semester

first semester

#### **Assessment method**

Face-to-face Final exam : written test with 7 closed multiple-choice questions with only one correct answer + 1 open question to be answered with a short explanation on the topic .

#### Office hours

face-to-face or online via webex by appointment arranged via e-mail.

## **Sustainable Development Goals**

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