



UNIVERSITÀ
DEGLI STUDI DI MILANO-BICOCCA

COURSE SYLLABUS

Surgical Nursing

2526-2-I0101D025-I0101D030M

Aims

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Detailed program

Nursing in the preoperative period; risk assessment and operative infection; education to patient to prevent intra and postoperative complications; decrease of stress and anxiety; suspension from smoking; informed consent; physical preparation for surgery to prevent intra and postoperative complications; intraoperative care; staff organization and technology in an operating suite with attention to nursing role and responsibilities; environmental hygiene; notes of the main surgical instruments; admission of patients, safety in an operating room during

induction, prevention of intra and postoperative complications; patient positioning on the operating table; body temperature control; monitoring vital signs (consciousness, breathing, circle); nursing during awakening from anesthesia; evaluation of patient's conditions in postoperative: vital signs, wound dressing, drainage management and pain assessment. Management of nutrition and hydration: the nasogastric tube: placement and management; evaluation of the recovery of intestinal peristalsis; identification of signs and symptoms related to hypovolemic shock, thromboembolism, hypothermia. Features, criteria and nursing responsibilities in relation to discharge patients from the operative context. Nursing care for patients undergoing esophagogastroduodenoscopy and colonoscopy. Clinical case example (patient undergoing radical mastectomy). Management of blood transfusion procedures.

Prerequisites

Positive evaluation in these previous examinations: Fundamentals of Nursing and Midwifery Sciences; Nursing Clinical Methodology; Biomedical Sciences 1; Human Physiology.

Teaching form

Lectures in presence

Textbook and teaching resource

Benci L. (2015) Aspetti giuridici della professione infermieristica. (7 edizione) McGraw-Hill, V ed.; Saiani L., Brugnolli A. (2020) Trattato di Cure Infermieristiche, Casa Editrice Idelson-Gnocchi; Smeltzer S.C., Bare B., Hinkle J.L., Cheever K.H. (2024) Brunner - Suddarth Infermieristica medico-chirurgica – Vol. 1, Casa Editrice Ambrosiana, VI ed.; Centers for Disease Control and Prevention "Linee guida per la prevenzione delle infezioni del sito chirurgico 2017". Giornale Italiano delle Infezioni Ospedaliere 6 (4): 157 – 184; National Collaborating Centre for Women's and Children's Health, National Institute for Health and Clinical Excellence (2008) Surgical site infection: prevention and treatment, RCOG Press.; Ministero del Lavoro, della Salute e delle Politiche sociali (2009) Manuale per la sicurezza in sala operatoria: raccomandazioni e check list. ; Ministero della Salute (2008) Raccomandazione per la prevenzione della reazione trasfusionale da incompatibilità a BO.

Semester

2nd Year, 1st Semester

Assessment method

Written examination composed of multiple choice questions and open questions . In the exam of Clinical Nursing Methodology 2 it is necessary to achieve the sufficiency in all 4 disciplines that compose it: Clinical Pharmacology, General Surgery, Nursing in Surgery, Community Nursing.

Office hours

On appointment to be requested by email

Sustainable Development Goals

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