

Medical Terminology Competencies

1. Demonstrates knowledge of course procedures, rules, regulations, goals and objectives
2. Understands the basic word structure, word analysis, practical applications and combining forms, suffixes and prefixes
3. Demonstrates knowledge of terms pertaining to the structural organization of the body, main organs and planes
4. Understands the terms and vocabulary pertaining to the body systems, anatomy, physiology, laboratory tests, clinical procedures and abbreviations
5. Understands medical terminology in all aspects of health related careers
6. Demonstrates knowledge of the general structure of the nervous system, neurons, nerves, neuralgia, brain, pathological conditions of the nervous system
7. Demonstrates knowledge and general structure of the cardiovascular system and identifies the functions and the different types of diseases and disorders of the cardiovascular system
8. Understands the vocabulary, suffixes, terminology, diagnostic and pathological terms of the respiratory system
9. Demonstrates knowledge of the forms, suffixes, prefixes, pathological conditions, laboratory tests, clinical procedures and abbreviations of the musculoskeletal system
10. Demonstrates knowledge of the vocabulary, abbreviations and terminology of the skin and the sense organs
11. Demonstrates knowledge of the terminology, abbreviations, abnormal conditions, and pathological conditions of the endocrine system including thyroid gland, parathyroid glands, adrenal glands, pancreas and pituitary gland
12. Demonstrates knowledge of the drug name standards and references, vocabulary, terminology, prefixes and combining forms of pharmacology
13. Essential Employability Skills/Career Preparation Standards
 - a. Understand how personal skill development affects employability (positive attitude, honesty, self-confidence, time management)
 - b. Understand principles of effective interpersonal skills (group dynamics, conflict resolution, negotiations)
 - c. Understand the importance of good academic skills, critical thinking, and problem-solving in the workplace
 - d. Understand principles of effective communication and telephone skills
 - e. Understand occupational safety issues and observe all safety rules
 - f. Understand career awareness, paths, and strategies for obtaining employment
 - g. Understand and adapt to changing technology
 - h. Understand and prepare for employment (resume, job application, job interview, and portfolio development)
 - i. Overview of health related occupations, education/training opportunities and advancement opportunities