

MLABT-166: Phlebotomy Clinical Experience

Course Description:

During this course you will be introduced to the clinical laboratory. You will learn to follow appropriate safety procedures, perform phlebotomy procedures, and interact with other healthcare professionals. In addition you will practice appropriate safety procedures, and perform designated laboratory activities that are frequently performed by today's phlebotomist. This course is designed to introduce the student to the procedures and principles used in phlebotomy. After successful completion of this course the student will have developed the skills necessary to perform phlebotomy procedures.

Total Credits: 3.00

Course Competencies:

Course Outcome Summary: Upon successfully completing this course, you should be able to:

- Identify patients following the established procedure of the affiliating clinical laboratory.
- Perform a minimum of 100 unaided successful venipunctures following the established procedure of the affiliating clinical laboratory.
- Observe/discuss/perform skin punctures following the established procedures of the affiliating clinical laboratory.
- Observe/discuss arterial collections.
- Observe/discuss obtaining a blood sample from patients with special catheters (such as arterial or venous lines).
- Observe/discuss/perform timed blood collections following the established procedure of the affiliating clinical laboratory.
- Observe/discuss/perform blood culture collections following the established procedure of the affiliating clinical laboratory.
- Observe/discuss/perform special procedures performed by the phlebotomist at the affiliating clinical laboratory.
- Label all specimens following the established procedure of the affiliating clinical laboratory.
- Comply with the isolation standards and Bloodborne Pathogen Standards of the affiliating facility.
- Observe/discuss/utilize the standard practices used when interacting with family and visitors when collecting patient specimens.
- Observe/discuss/perform organizational skills to be an efficient phlebotomist.
- Dispose of biological and/or contaminated materials following the established procedures of the affiliating clinical laboratory.
- Properly maintain the phlebotomy blood drawing area and/or phlebotomy tray.

- Demonstrate professional ethics, confidentiality, and patients' right to privacy by complying with all federal and state regulations and/or institutional policies.
- Adhere to the dress code and general policies for appearance established by the affiliating clinical laboratory.
- Communicate in a professional manner with patients, peers, supervisors, and other members of the healthcare team.
- Demonstrate professional behavior including dependability, adaptability, appropriate interactions with others, and valuing diversity.

Students must submit:

- A portfolio to demonstrate competencies
- A letterhead from the employer to verify documentation of 108 hours of work and 100 successful venipunctures

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