

Introduction to Health Services I

RCAS Policies/Procedures:

Students will be required to follow all RCAS policies and procedures. To view the RCAS High School Student Handbook, click [handbook](#).

Course Description:

Students are introduced to Pre healthcare and allied Healthcare professions as well as exploring different medical facilities. Students will also be introduced to different medical equipment and investigate some of the legal aspects of the healthcare profession. Introduction to Health Service I is a prerequisite for Health Service II.

Textbook:

Health Science Fundamentals Exploring Career Pathways 2nd edition

Required Resources:

“Limited Choice” Resources: (students will be asked to choose at least one title from this list)

Student Choice:

Will student be asked to choose additional reading material from the classroom or school library?

No

Units of Study:

- Unit 1 Understanding the healthcare setting networks and roles and responsibilities
- Unit 2 Identify health science career pathways
- Unit 3 Examine legal/ethical responsibilities and limitations of the healthcare worker
- Unit 4 Understand and demonstrate safety practices in the healthcare environment.
- Unit 5 Identify and apply principles of infection control
- Unit 6 Discuss disease, diagnosis and treatment
- Unit 7 Demonstrate hands-on patient/residents care skills
- Unit 8 Explain documentation on standards and findings
- Unit 9 Utilize medical mathematics skills needed in healthcare work

Essential Learning Intentions:

- Students will be able to differentiate between private and public/government healthcare settings (managed care)
- Students will be able to collaborate and communicate effectively with colleagues, patients/residents, and/or family members.
- Students will identify positive and negative traits of a health care worker.
- Students will be able to identify and compare health science career (pathways Pre-Health professionals & Allied Health)
- Students will understand the levels of education and credentials required for a variety of health science careers of interest and the introduction to cost and methods to finance and scholarships available.
- Students will explore and demonstrate knowledge of employment opportunities, workplace environments and career growth potential.
- Students will understand the legal/ethical issues, religious and cultural diversity, mental health/competence and their impacts on healthcare.
- Students will understand the scope of practice state specific requirements and a variety of professional Standards including the American Medical Association, American Nurse Association, American Dental Association.
- Students will understand the implications of Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) for healthcare professionals.
- Students will be able to identify common safety hazards in the healthcare environment including patient/ resident, community, and healthcare worker settings.
- Students will be able to apply different principles of body mechanics and ergonomics.