

Overview

Parish nursing is a specialized area of professional nursing practice focusing on the promotion of health and wellness within the context of the values, beliefs and practices of a faith community.

This course is in affiliation with the International Parish Nurse Resource Center (IPNRC) which was established in 1986 to support parish nurses around the United States, Canada and in other countries.

Target Audience

Professional nurses who are spiritually mature with effective communication skills. Current licensure is required with a minimum of three years professional experience.

Objectives

- To identify parish nursing as an integrated part of the overall ministry of the faith community.
- To gain practical knowledge necessary to begin a parish nurse practice.
- To identify strategies for developing a faith-based health ministry/parish nurse program.

Course Coordinator

Linda Mabus, MSN, MA, RN

Linda has completed the Basic Parish Nurse and Faculty Educator Courses as developed by the International Parish Nurse Resource Center.

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2010 Basic Parish Nurse Course

Fridays & Saturdays
July 9 - 24

Carol Jo Vecchie
Women & Children's
Center at
St. John's Hospital
Conference Room Q



Department of
Continuing Education



Nursing within a Faith Community



The Basic Parish Nurse Preparation Course is designed for registered nurses currently working in parish nursing or interested in exploring parish nursing. It is based on the revised 2009 curriculum developed by the International Parish Nurse Resource Center.

- The course will be held on Fridays and Saturdays from July 9 - 24 (three consecutive weeks). Class times are 5 - 9 p.m. on Fridays and 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. on Saturdays at the Carol Jo Vecchie Women & Children's Center at St. John's Hospital, Conference Room Q.
- Pre-course material will be mailed or sent by e-mail two weeks before the start of the course. The materials will include a worksheet for examining your spiritual journey, class schedule and directions to St. John's Hospital.
- The cost of the Course is \$400 and includes all materials, meals and a parish nurse pin.
- Registration deadline is July 1, 2010.
- Overnight accommodations are available at Hospital Sisters of St. Francis Chiara Center, 4875 LaVerna Road, Springfield, for \$42 per person (double) or \$58 (single). To make reservations, call (217) 523-0901.
- If you have special dietary needs, please include them on the registration form at right.

Participants who complete the Basic Parish Nurse Preparation Course will earn 34 contact hours and can fulfill their 2010 - 2012 continuing education requirements for the State of Illinois.

Course Topics

Spirituality

Healing and Wholeness
History and Philosophy
Prayer
Self-care

Professionalism

Ethical Issues
Documenting Practice
Legal Aspects
Beginning your Ministry
Communication and Collaborations

Wholistic Health

Health Promotion
Transforming Life Issues -
Family Violence
Transforming Life Issues -
Suffering, Grief and Loss

Community

Assessments
Accessing Resources
Advocacy
Care Coordination -
Working with Volunteers
Care Coordination -
Developing Support Groups

Service of Affirmation

The Basic Parish Nurse Preparation Course concludes with a dedication service and reception on Saturday, July 24 from 4 - 5 p.m. in the St. John's Hospital Chapel. Family and friends are welcome to attend.

Contact Information

For more information, call (217) 544-6464, ext. 45444 or 45445 or e-mail: continuinged@stjohnscollegespringfield.edu.

Registration Information

Last Name _____

First Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Home Phone _____

Work Phone _____

E-mail _____

Church Affiliation _____

Dietary Needs _____

Return completed form with your payment of \$400. Make checks payable to St. John's College, Dept. of Continuing Education and mail to:

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