

Spokane Community College

Course Title: Nursing Care of the Acute Patient

Prefix and Course Number: NURS 181

Course Learning Outcomes:

By the end of this course, a student should be able to:

- Interpret, educate, and coordinate care based on pathophysiological changes of the acutely ill patient
- Articulate the pharmacological needs of the acutely ill patient
- Develop the cognitive knowledge and clinical reasoning needed to provide professional, quality care to acutely ill patients
- Develop education related to patient's values and needs for discharge from the acute care setting
- Compare and contrast patient care needs based on priority of patient acuity

Course Outline:

- I. Clinical Decision Making
- II. Evidence Based Practice
- III. Elimination
- IV. Fluid and Electrolytes
- V. Perfusion
- VI. Acid Base Balance