Micro-Credential Program on Wound Care Management

Introduction

The Canadian College for Healthcare and Pharmaceutics offers a Micro-Credential on Wound Care Management program designed to provide an all-encompassing approach to wound care within healthcare organizations. This program emphasizes the vital services provided by wound specialists, including advanced, evidence-based management techniques, education for staff, cost control, quality enhancement, development of care protocols, risk reduction for pressure ulcers, and efficient resource utilization.

Who Should Take the Course

The Wound Care Management program is designed for:

- Registered Nurses/Nurse Practitioners/Licensed Practical Nurses
- Community and Primary Care Paramedics
- Physician Assistants
- Physiotherapists/Occupational Therapists
- Physicians
- Other health professionals caring for patients with wounds

Program Specialty

This program emphasizes the dual necessity of clinical excellence and strategic business planning in establishing a successful wound care practice. It highlights the importance of creating a business plan for new initiatives within the program, aiming to enhance patient care, streamline operations, and foster interdisciplinary collaboration for the betterment of patient outcomes in wound care.

Program Outline

The program covers the following topics:

- 1. Standards & Principles for Practice & Ethics; Canadian Healthcare
- 2. Anatomy, Physiology of skin and soft tissue; Wound-healing physiology and factors that affect the repair process
- 3. Types of skin damage and differential diagnosis; skin and wound inspection and assessment

- 4. Asepsis, and Infection Control; Wound Infection: Diagnosis and management including prevention, assessment and treatment
- 5. Describe the process of wound bed preparation and wound debridement and Principles of wound healing and topical management
- 6. Biophysical and Biologic Agents and Critical Cofactors in Wound Management (Wound Pain: Impact, assessment, management)
- 7. Acute and Traumatic Wounds Surgical wounds and incision care

Learning Outcomes

The program provides comprehensive background knowledge and skills in wound care management. It equips learners with the necessary tools and strategies to confidently engage in evidence-based wound care within a multidisciplinary team. By the end of the program, participants will be able to assess, treat, and manage various types of wounds effectively, reducing the risk of complications and improving patient outcomes.

Course Duration

- Instructor-led Zoom sessions on six weekdays 4:30pm-10pm (27 hours)
- In-person Two Sundays (12 hours) from 10 am to 4 pm

Practicum Details

The program includes live learning sessions and workshops that incorporate practical, hands-on exercises. It combines both Knowledge-Based and Practice-Based Learning Activities to provide participants with current and practical information and instructions.

Funding

Information about funding options, scholarships, and financial aid for this program can be found on the college's website or by contacting the admissions office.

Upcoming Start Dates

The program has six intakes in 2025:

- Intake 1: February 4 February 16
 - o In-Person days: February 9 & February 16
 - o Online days: February 4, 5, 6, 11, 12, 13

- Intake 2: April 1 April 13
 - o In-Person days: April 6 & April 13
 - o Online days: April 1, 2, 3, 8, 9, 10
- **Intake 3**: June 3 June 15
 - o In-Person days: June 8 & June 15
 - o Online days: June 3, 4, 5, 10, 11, 12
- Intake 4: July 29 August 10
 - In-Person days: August 3 & August 10
 - Online days: July 29, 30, 31, August 5, 6, 7
- Intake 5: September 30 October 12
 - o In-Person days: October 5 & October 12
 - o Online days: September 30, October 1, 2, 7, 8, 9
- Intake 6: November 18 November 30
 - o In-Person days: November 23 & November 30
 - o Online days: November 18, 19, 20, 25, 26, 27

Other Details

For more information about the program, including admission requirements, application process, and course fees, please visit the college's website or contact the admissions office.

FAQs

Q: What are the prerequisites for this program? A: The program is designed for healthcare professionals with a basic understanding of anatomy, physiology, and infection control.

Q: How long is the program? A: The total duration of the program is 39 hours, divided into instructor-led Zoom sessions and in-person workshops.

Q: Are there any practical projects included in the program? A: Yes, the program includes practical, hands-on exercises during live learning sessions and workshops.

Q: What funding options are available for this program? A: Information about funding options, scholarships, and financial aid can be found on the college's website or by contacting the admissions office.