Master Syllabus

HIM 1204 - Medicolegal & Ethics in Healthcare Records

Division: Health Sciences

Department: Health Information Management

Credit Hour Total: 2.0   **Lecture Hrs:** 1.0 **Lab Hrs:** 2.0

Prerequisite(s): DEV 0035

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Course Description:

Evaluation of health care records as legal documents; special emphasis on policies and procedures concerning release of medical information and protecting patient confidentiality; principles and organization of the judicial system; health care fraud and abuse and Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) regulations. Ethical issues in health care settings addressed. One classroom, two lab hours per week.

General Education Outcomes:

- Critical Thinking/Problem Solving Competency
- Written Communication Competency
- Values/Citizenship/Community Competency
- Computer Literacy Competency

Course Outcomes:

Maintenance/disclosure/redisclosure of protected health information (PHI)
Interpret laws, regulations, standards, and ethics that govern and control the maintenance, disclosure, and re-disclosure of health information.

Assessment Method: Performance appraisals
Performance Criteria: Score 77% or higher

Assessment Method: Simulations
Performance Criteria: Score 77% or higher

Statutory requirements of highly sensitive protected health information (PHI)
Apply appropriate statutory requirements and/or applicable standards of practice to requests for access, use and disclosure of highly sensitive information.

Assessment Method: Performance appraisals
Performance Criteria: Score 77% or higher

Assessment Method: Simulations
Performance Criteria: Score 77% or higher

Elements of Medical Negligence
Appraise elements of negligence as related to standards of practice for the healthcare facility and the healthcare professions.

Assessment Method: Performance appraisals
Performance Criteria: Score 77% or higher

Assessment Method: Simulations
Performance Criteria: Score 77% or higher

Confidential/Non-confidential Health Information
Distinguish between confidential and non-confidential information within a healthcare information system.

Assessment Method: Performance appraisals
Performance Criteria: Score 77% or higher

Assessment Method: Simulations
Performance Criteria: Score 77% or higher

Professional behavior
Demonstrate the personal behaviors, attitudes, and values consistent with and appropriate to the entry-level Health Information Management (HIM) professional.

Assessment Method: Behavioral observations
Performance Criteria: Score 77% or higher

Assessment Method: Performance appraisals
Performance Criteria: Score 77% or higher

Legal Consent
Interpret legal issues related to obtaining consent for treatment by healthcare facilities and healthcare professionals.

Assessment Method: Performance appraisals
Performance Criteria: Score 77% or higher

Assessment Method: Simulations
Performance Criteria: Score 77% or higher

Access/use/disclosure of highly sensitive protected health information (PHI)

Interpret laws, regulations, and standards of practice to legal aspects of quality improvement, risk management and corporate compliance programs.

Assessment Method: Performance appraisals
Performance Criteria: Score 77% or higher

Assessment Method: Simulations
Performance Criteria: Score 77% or higher

Ethical Standards/responsibility for protected health information (PHI)
Apply ethical standards and moral responsibility for protecting the privacy and confidentiality of health information.

Assessment Method: Performance appraisals
Performance Criteria: Score 77% or higher

Assessment Method: Simulations
Performance Criteria: Score 77% or higher

Health Insurance Portability and Accountability (HIPAA) regulatory policies
Apply regulatory policies and procedures for access and disclosure of protected health information (PHI) as required by the HIPAA Privacy Rule.

Assessment Method: Performance appraisals
Performance Criteria: Score 77% or higher

Assessment Method: Simulations
Performance Criteria: Score 77% or higher

Legal Health Record
Distinguish between the components of the court system and trial process as related to the use of medical or health information in litigation.

Assessment Method: Performance appraisals
Performance Criteria: Score 77% or higher

Assessment Method: Simulations
Performance Criteria: Score 77% or higher

Access to confidential Protected Health Information (PHI)
Assess general legal principles governing access to confidential health information in a variety of circumstances.

Assessment Method: Focus groups
Performance Criteria: Score 77% or higher

Assessment Method: Performance appraisals
Performance Criteria: Score 77% or higher

Assessment Method: Simulations
Performance Criteria: Score 77% or higher

Legislative initiatives in health information technology (HIT)
Assess the relevance of federal, state, and private sector initiatives related to the privacy, security, and confidentiality of health information technology.

Assessment Method: Focus groups
Performance Criteria: Score 77% or higher

Assessment Method: Performance appraisals
Performance Criteria: Score 77% or higher

Assessment Method: Simulations
Performance Criteria: Score 77% or higher

Malpractice and Health Records
Report potential malpractice problems based upon legal principles and standards of practice for healthcare professionals and/or facilities.

Assessment Method: Performance appraisals
Performance Criteria: Score 77% or higher

Assessment Method: Simulations
Performance Criteria: Score 77% or higher

Health Insurance Portability and Accountability (HIPAA) regulatory procedures
Apply regulatory policies and procedures as related to the HIPAA Security Regulations.

Assessment Method: Performance appraisals
Performance Criteria: Score 77% or higher

Assessment Method: Simulations
Performance Criteria: Score 77% or higher

Evidence in Healthcare Records
Differentiate between types of evidence, process of e-discovery and the permissible use of evidence in litigation.

Assessment Method: Performance appraisals
Performance Criteria: Score 77% or higher

Assessment Method: Simulations
Performance Criteria: Score 77% or higher

Legal Systems
Differentiate between the types and sources of law, which constitute a basis for the use of medical or health information in litigation.

Assessment Method: Focus groups
Performance Criteria: Score 77% or higher

Assessment Method: Performance appraisals
Performance Criteria: Score 77% or higher

Assessment Method: Simulations
Performance Criteria: Score 77% or higher

Outline:

Legal systemLegal health recordEvidence in healthcare recordsElements of medical negligence Malpractice and health records Legal consentConfidential/Non-confidential health infoormationAccess to confidential protected health information (PHI)Maintenance/disclosure/redisclosure of PHIHealth Insurance Portability and Accountability (HIPAA) regulatory policiesHIPAA regulatory procedures Statutory requirements of highly sensitive PHIAccess/use/disclosure of highly sensitive PHIEthical standards/responsibility for PHILegislative initiatives in health information technology (HIT)Professional behavior