



Online Essentials Of Nursing Sick Children Course

Learning outcomes

At the end of the course, participants will be able to:

1. Articulate their role, within the complex system and environments in which children are nursed to ensure safe and efficient care for best possible outcomes.
2. Explain the anatomical, physiological and developmental differences across the age-span of a child and how this impacts the response to illness and the required nature of care.
3. More confidently provide safe, quality, evidence-based nursing care to sick children, using the Regul8 Framework as a guide.
4. Recognise and utilise the important supportive role and resource of the principal caregiver and family in the pathway of a sick child.

Course content

Block 1 (weeks 1- 8)

Week 1	An introduction to nursing children
Week 2	The Regul8 Framework
Week 3	Engaged Mother Child Interaction
Week 4	Developmentally supportive care
Week 5	Vitals signs
Week 6	Fluids
Week 7	Medication in children
Week 8	Pain assessment and management

Break week – no studies this week.

Block 2 (weeks 9 - 16)

Week 9	Immunisations
Week 10	Anthropometric measurements
Week 11	Malnutrition
Week 12	Assessment and recognition of the sick child
Week 13	Infection, and sepsis
Week 14	Pathophysiology and basic care of pneumonia
Week 15	Pathophysiology and basic care of gastroenteritis
Week 16	Care of the child who requires surgery