BSHND 311: NUTRITIONAL PRACTICES IN CLINICAL CARE

Course Learning Outcomes:

- To understand and create a patient-centered nutrition care plan based on sound nutrition principles, scientific evidence and biomedical reasoning
- To assess various physiological conditions and prepare diet plans accordingly
- To acquaint hands-on training in the field of enteral and parenteral nutrition

Content-theory:

1. Importance of clinical care nutrition support:

- Nutritional screening and assessment;
- The therapeutic process,
- Stress of the therapeutic encounter,
- Focus of care,
- Phases of the care process;
- Quality patient care and collaborative roles of nutritionists and nurses;
- Modified diets for various physiological needs;

2. Enteral nutritional:

- Composition,
- Nutritional prescription (dose),
- Strategies to optimize delivery and minimize risks,
- Pediatric enteral feeding;

3. Total parenteral nutrition

- Composition,
- Intravenous nutritional prescription (dose) for specific conditions;
- Percutaneous endoscopic gastrostomy and radiologically inserted gastrostomy;
- Complications in enteral and parenteral nutrition;
- Nutritional therapy in diseases of infancy and childhood

4. Drug-nutrient interactions:

- Drug effects on food and nutrients,
- Food effects on drug absorption,
- Food effects on drug;
- Dietary supplements.

Content-Practical:

1. Nutritional assessment of patients:

- Selection,
- Nutritional requirements;

2. Tube feeding:

- Types,
- Feeding equipment,
- Preparation and application of enteral/nasogastric diets,
- Monitoring the tube-fed patient;

3. Total parenteral nutrition:

- Basic rules,
- Techniques,
- Prescription,

4. Preparation of total parenteral solution;

- Preparation of pre- and post-operative diets;
- Case studies and logbooks;
- Hospital visits.

Teaching-Learning Strategies:

Teaching will be a combination of class lectures, class discussions, and group work. Short videos/films will be shown on occasion.

Assignments:

The sessional work will be a combination of written assignments, class quizzes, presentation, and class participation/attendance.

Assessments and Examination:

Sessional Work: 25 marks Midterm Exam: 35 marks Final Exam: 40 marks

Recommended Readings:

- Block, A.S., Maillet, J., Howell, W.H & Winkler, M.F. (2007). Issues and Choices in Clinical Nutrition Practice. Lippincott Williams & Wilkins, Philadelphia, PA, USA.
- Katsilambros, N., Dimosthenopoulos, C., Kontogianni, M.D., Manglara, E. & Poulia, K.A. (2010). Clinical Nutrition in Practice. Wiley-Blackwell, John Wiley & Sons Ltd., Chichester, West Sussex, UK.

- 3. Katz, D.L. (2008). Nutrition in Clinical Practice, (2nd ed.) Lippincott Williams & Wilkins, Philadelphia, PA, USA.
- 4. Rolandelli, R.H., Bankhead, R., Boullate, J. I. & Compher, C.W. (2005). Clinical Nutrition; Enteral and Tube Feeding. (4th ed.) Elasvier Sauders Publishers, USA.
- Rolfes, S.R., Pinna, K. & Whitney, E. (2015). Understanding Normal and Clinical Nutrition, (10th ed.) Thomson and Wadsworth Publishers, USA.