

Course Description

MLS4552 | Clinical Immunohematology | 3.00 credits

The study of concepts related to the blood group systems, blood antigens and antibodies. The student will analyze the principles, procedures and clinical significance of testing in genetics, pre-transfusion testing, adverse effects of transfusions, donor selection and components, and hemolytic disease of the newborn.

Course Competencies:

Competency 1: The student will examine the essential concepts of Immunohematology by:

- 1. Outlining the general steps for proper blood collection, processing and transportation
- 2. Explaining the Fundamentals of Immunology
- 3. Explaining Basic Genetics
- 4. Explaining the Blood Bank Record-Keeping System and the importance of the Blood Bank Forms and Data
- 5. Explaining the retention time of the Blood Bank documents

Competency 2: The student will demonstrate knowledge of Blood Groups and Serological Testing by:

- 1. Analyzing and evaluating the Antiglobulin Test
- 2. Analyzing and evaluating the ABO Blood Group System
- 3. Analyzing and evaluating the Rh Blood Group System
- 4. Analyzing and evaluating Blood Group Terminology & Common Blood Groups
- 5. Analyzing and evaluating Uncommon blood groups
- 6. Describing Detection and Identification of Antibodies
- 7. Understanding Pre-transfusion Testing
- 8. Analyzing and evaluating Blood Bank Testing
- 9. Technologies and Automation

Competency 3: The student will examine transfusion practices by:

- 1. Illustrating donor selection
- 2. Explaining Transfusion-Transmitted Diseases
- 3. Explaining Component Preparation
- 4. Explaining Transfusion Therapy
- 5. Detecting Adverse Effects of Blood Transfusion
- 6. Explaining Apheresis
- 7. Explaining Hemolytic Disease of the Fetus and Newborn
- 8. Explaining Autoimmune Hemolytic Anemias
- 9. Evaluating Tissue Banking

Competency 4: The student will demonstrate knowledge of Leukocyte Antigens and Relationship Testing by:

- 1. Identifying the Human Leukocyte Antigens (HLA)
- 2. Analyzing and evaluating the HLA System
- 3. Analyzing and evaluating relationship testing

Competency 5: The student will be analyzing Quality Management and Compliance by:

- 1. Examining Quality Management in the Blood Bank
- 2. Analyzing and evaluating Patient Blood Management
- 3. Analyzing and evaluating Transfusion Safety and Federal Regulatory Requirements
- 4. Analyzing Laboratory Information Systems in the Blood Bank
- 5. Explaining Medicolegal and Ethical Aspects of
- 6. Providing Blood Collection and Transfusion Services

Learning Outcomes:

- Communicate effectively using listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills
- Use quantitative analytical skills to evaluate and process numerical data
- Solve problems using critical and creative thinking and scientific reasoning