



Course Description

STS2360 | Professional Skills for the Surgical Technologist | 2.00 credits

This course will cover professional management, communication skills and teamwork, ethical and moral issues in the healthcare setting, and legal issues and risk management.

Course Competencies

Competency 1: The student will be able to master the scope of practice as it relates to surgical technology by:

1. Explaining the surgical technologist's scope of practice
2. Citing examples of tasks that are required for the surgical technologist
3. Demonstrating tasks that are scope of practice-specific

Competency 2: The student will be able to apply principles of HIPPA, as it applies to surgical technology by:

1. Explaining legal ramifications for HIPPA violation
2. Citing examples of HIPPA violation
3. Explaining patient rights concerning records and confidential information

Competency 3: The student will be able to analyze the recommended practices and legal elements of proper documentation by:

1. Explaining the significance of the certified surgical technologist credential
2. Demonstrating a "time out" for patient safety
3. Demonstrating a correct count on an instrument count and documentation

Learning Outcomes:

- Communicate effectively using listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills
- Solve problems using critical and creative thinking and scientific reasoning
- Formulate strategies to locate, evaluate, and apply information
- Demonstrate knowledge of ethical thinking and its application to issues in society