



Course Syllabus

FOUNDATIONS OF HEALTH CARE

Code:	49535V	NCAA Approval:	No
Level:	High School	QM Certified:	No
Duration/Credit:	1.0 Credit/Year	Textbook:	Resources and Materials ...
Prerequisites:	None	Materials:	Resources and Materials ...
Standards:	Foundations of Health Care Standards	Technology:	VA Technology Requirements
Pacing Guide	49535V Updated for Enhance... 49535V Updated for Enhance...	Alignment Matrix:	Alignment Matrix

Course Introduction

Watch the [course introduction video](#) or read the [video transcript](#) for a brief introduction to the course.

Course Description

In Foundations of Healthcare, students explore the history of healthcare, including the significant developments and individuals who contributed to medicine. Students investigate the structure of the United States healthcare system, the types of services provided by healthcare, government agencies involved in healthcare, and the different types of insurance plans. Students examine the different careers in health care along with the educational requirements. Students explore the professional qualities of a health care worker, examine the legal implications involved in health care, along with medical ethics and cultural diversity. Students will develop and use the same skills, practices, and methods employed by healthcare workers: promotion of safety, infection control, vital signs, first aid, CPR, medical abbreviations & charting, and medical math. This course gives a good basic overview of common information that is beneficial for anyone interested in a healthcare career.

Course Level Objectives

The objectives for this course include the following:

- First Semester
 - Evaluate how medicine has progressed from ancient to current times.
 - Analyze the structure of the healthcare system
 - Explore issues in medical law and ethics
 - Examine wellness issues in healthcare
 - Research and analyze career opportunities in health care services
- Second Semester
 - Recognize safety standards established by OSHA
 - Analyze the components of infection control and its impact on health care
 - Develop understanding and skills associated with vital signs
 - Integrate basic knowledge of first aid and CPR to perform skills correctly
 - Recognize common medical abbreviations used in healthcare and basic charting practices
 - Analyze basic math calculations and systems of measurement used in health care



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Course Participation Information

There are other pieces of important information about your participation in a Virtual Arkansas course. This information can be found in your course in the Virtual Arkansas Program Syllabus.