

Primary Care of Type 2 Diabetes

Code: 585-895

Title of Subject: Primary Care of Type 2 Diabetes

Credit Points: 12.5

Semester Offered: Semester 1

Mode of Delivery: Distance

Level: Postgraduate

Coordinator: Dr John Furler

Prerequisites and/or Co-requisites: Nil

Estimated time commitment: 120 hours (includes reading course materials, all activities and assessment)

Description:

This subject will explore the pathophysiology, diagnosis and management of Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus. The principles of diabetes care will be explored with a focus on the scope of practice of the nurse providing clinical care, psychosocial support and education within a multidisciplinary framework.

Learning Objectives:

On completion of this subject students should be able to:

- Understand the pathophysiology of Type 2 diabetes
- Identify the risk factors associated with Type 2 diabetes
- Contribute to the prevention, screening, and diagnosis of Type 2 diabetes
- Educate patients in self management of Type 2 diabetes
- Develop multidisciplinary management plans for patients with Type 2 diabetes within the primary health care setting.

Generic Skills:

- To enhance critical thinking skills
- To further enhance clinical skills
- To further develop written and oral communication skills

Prescribed Texts: None

Assessment:

- 1 Two 1000 word case studies due mid semester (40%)
- 2 Structured review of medical records equivalent to 500 words due end of semester (20% hurdle requirement)
- 3 2000 word written assignment due end of semester (40%)
- 4 Reflective journal due end of semester (Pass/fail hurdle requirement)