



Essential Surgical Skills for Surgical Nurse Practitioners

19th and 20th November 2016

Education Centre (Department 17), Christie Hospital, Manchester

REPORTING INFORMATION

KINDLY READ THE MAIL IN FULL SINCE IT CONTAINS IMPORTANT INFORMATION.

Dear Colleague,

Thank you for choosing to attend this course. May we take this opportunity to welcome you to the course and to Christie Hospital, Manchester.

This mail is to inform you of the directions to the venue, the reporting information, and the programme and format for the day.

Dates:

19th and 20th November 2016 (Saturday and Sunday)

Day 1:

Registration: 0800 - 0830 hours

Start of course: 0830 hours

End of Day 1: 1630 hours

Day 2:

Start of course: 0830 hours

End of Course: 1630 hours

Venue:

2nd Floor, Education Centre, Department 17, Christie Hospital, Manchester

Address: The Christie NHS Foundation Trust, Wilmslow Road, Manchester, M20 4BX, United Kingdom

Telephone: 01614 463 000

Directions:

Please click on this link to view the hospital in Google maps:

<https://www.google.co.uk/maps/place/Manchester/@53.4299386,-2.2297864,17z/data=!4m2!3m1!1s0x487bb24164e10297:0x2e94eddf6b3ff7aa>

Please click on this link if you are travelling by car:

<http://www.christie.nhs.uk/about-the-christie/visiting-the-christie/directions-by-car.aspx>

Please click on this link if you are travelling by public transport:

<http://www.christie.nhs.uk/about-the-christie/visiting-the-christie/public-transport.aspx>

The cost of a taxi from Manchester Piccadilly train station to Christie Hospital: £10 - £12 (duration about 20 minutes)

Parking: 'Pay and Display' car parks are available on the hospital premises. There are drop-off points at the Oak Road and Wilmslow Road entrances. For further information, kindly follow this link:

<http://www.christie.nhs.uk/about-the-christie/visiting-the-christie/car-parking.aspx>

Suggested Car Parks:

Car Park C (multi-storey) on Palatine Road and **Car Park D** on Wilmslow Road are for visitors. Accessible parking (Blue Badge) is available.

Car parking procedure and charges:

- As you enter the car park, take a ticket at the barrier and park.
- Before you return to your vehicle when you are leaving, insert the ticket and money in to the Pay Station.
- There is a Pay Station for use only in Car Park C (multi-storey) located on the ground floor by the pedestrian exit. Coins are accepted but not notes or cards.
- There is a Pay Station inside Car Park D. There is another Pay Station for Car Park D inside Oak Road main reception. Coins and notes are accepted but not cards.
- The Pay Stations give change and receipts.
- Charges are displayed at the Pay Stations.
- Charges: first 30 minutes are free; then £1.50 per day.
- There is a cash machine in the Oak Road main reception.
- On returning to your vehicle, please insert your validated ticket at the barrier to exit the car park.
- Please note: parking on local roads is restricted.

Course Format and Content:

The days are a structured programme of learning basic surgical skills and techniques. Delivered using a series of tutor demonstrations and hands-on sessions on artificial and animal tissue, the course will introduce to you the safe basic surgical techniques that are common to all surgical practices.

On completion of the course, you should be able to: Demonstrate safe practice when gowning and gloving; Handle commonly used surgical instruments in a safe and effective manner; Create secure 'Reef' and 'Surgeons' knots; Pick up and safely drive a needle through tissue with accurate bite placement; Appreciate the safe use of local anaesthesia; Perform an interrupted suture to close a wound; Demonstrate the steps for excising a skin lesion under local anaesthesia; Excise a sebaceous cyst; Drain a superficial abscess; Perform the essential steps to debride a traumatic wound effectively; Perform basic techniques used for endoscopy, and; Understand the principles of using diathermy safely.

Pre-Course Viewing Material:

You will have received information to access the pre-course viewing material in another email. If you have not received that mail, please find below the instructions to access the pre-course viewing material.

1. On the homepage of the Doctors Academy website (www.doctorsacademy.org), there is a link entitled: 'Read or Download Course Presentations'.
2. Click on the link 'Essential Surgical Skills for Surgical Nurse Practitioners, 19th and 20th November 2016, Education Centre, Christie Hospital, Manchester'
3. You can access the presentations by entering your Course Registration Number.

You can view the material in flipbook format and videos. The short videos are demonstrations of knot tying and suturing techniques. There is no voice recorded within these videos. There will be live demonstration of techniques at the course. Please note that the material is not available for download since all PowerPoint presentations will be discussed and Live Demonstrations of all procedures performed during the course. Appreciating that you will be busy with your work commitments, we suggest that you go through the material only if you have time. All theory will be taught and practical demonstrations shown in detail during the course. You will therefore gain full benefit from the course even if you do not have the chance to view the material.

Programme:

The final programme will be very much in line with the one that has been placed online. This will be given to you on the day. Kindly follow this link to view the programme online:

<http://doctorsacademy.org/Course/FundamentalNursing/downloads/PGM16.pdf>

There is always the possibility of a lecture or demonstration over-running and thus some flexibility may be necessary within the programme. However, due to the wide range of topics that will be covered during the course, we will adhere to a strict time-schedule. We will endeavour to observe the session times (i.e., morning and afternoon) and hence all breaks, and start and finish times will be followed as per the programme.

Refreshment Breaks:

There will be a 15-minute refreshment break in the morning and afternoon sessions, and a 45-minute lunch break. During the refreshment break, you will be provided with tea, coffee and biscuits. Both vegetarian and non-vegetarian food will be available.

Dress Code:

As you wish; informal, comfortable and that suits the weather.

What you need to bring with you:

1. A copy of the email you have received from us regarding your confirmation of place (with your name). Please note that you will not be allowed to attend the course without this information.
2. Your University/Hospital identification badge.

Please do not hesitate to contact us at info@doctorsacademy.org.uk if you have any further queries in the interim. Alternatively, you can contact us at 02920 616 765.

We look forward to meeting you at the course.

With very best wishes,

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