RN Refresher Series Outline

The RN refresher series is a series of three courses. These three courses will meet the requirements of the Wisconsin State Board of Nursing to activate a license that is inactive but it will not meet the requirement of any disciplinary action required by the Board of Nursing. Please verify your status with the Board of Nursing. Each State Board of Nursing may have slightly different requirements therefore; if you live outside of Wisconsin please check with your state’s Board of Nursing prior to enrollment. You may also consider this series if you are returning to practice after a long absence or to upgrade your skills.

The first course of the series, Medical Nursing Refresher Theory - 10-543-123, is a theory based course that focuses on diseases, signs and symptoms, new medications and treatments and potential complications. A student is expected to complete assigned readings and worksheets which are then submitted to the instructor. There is a final exam that must be proctored. This may be mailed to an institution near your home, possibly a college or a public library.

- Prerequisite is an inactive Registered Nursing license or individual permission.
- Students living within the state of Wisconsin will be accepted to this course.
- Independent Study - About 60 hours
- No trips to campus
- 2 Credits

The second course, Nursing Skills Refresher – 10-543-124, is a lab based course. The student is expected to read and prepare for lab assignments at home. However, unlike the theory course, several trips to campus are required to practice and test-out in our college skills lab. Open lab times vary and appointments are coordinated with our instructor and scheduled ahead of time.

- Prerequisite is completion of Medical Nursing Refresher Theory.
- Students must live within the MSTC district to be considered for this course.
- About 25 hours of lab and 36 hours of reading and prep. Lab practice and faculty checkoff of performance in lab.
- 2 Credits

The third course, Precepted Clinical Nursing Refresher – 10-543-126, is a precepted clinical course that is conducted in a health care facility within MSTC’s district. The instructor and the student mutually decide where, again within MSTC district, this preceptorship will be held.

- Prerequisite is completion of Medical Nursing Refresher Theory and Nursing Skills Refresher.
- Students must live within the MSTC district to be considered for this course.
- 108 hours of precepted clinical and 9 hours of orientation and debriefing.
- 2 Credits

Students have two years to complete the entire series of three courses. If more than one year has lapsed between any of the three courses you may be subject to repeating the prior course.