

EXEMPTION TEST INFORMATION FORM
ALHS 1040 – INTRODUCTION TO HEALTH CARE

A currently enrolled or accepted program student may receive course credit by passing the ALHS 1040 exemption examination administered by the Gwinnett Technical College Assessment Center. The policy regarding Experiential Credit and Credit by Examination is in the College catalog. **The examination must be completed prior to registration for the class for which the student is seeking credit by examination. Students may not request exemption tests for courses in which they have been enrolled nor may they take an exemption test more than once.**

The ALHS 1040 exemption examination will cover these competencies:

A. HEALTH CARE DELIVERY AND RELATED ISSUES (PROFESSIONALISM, COMMUNICATION, ETHICS)

1. Discuss the general concepts of HIPPA guidelines in various settings
2. Describe implementation of HIPPA including legal, professional, and academic consequences of violating its rules.
3. Discuss the guiding principles of health care ethics including ethical dilemmas.

B. INFECTION CONTROL/BLOOD AND AIR-BORNE PATHOGENS

1. Differentiate the roles, standards and guidelines for the following agencies: Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Occupational Health and Safety Administration (OSHA), and Federal Drug Administration (FDA)
2. Describe the characteristics of each link of the infection chain.
3. Define blood/air-borne pathogens.
4. Identify exposure risks related to health occupations.
5. Demonstrate pre and post exposure precautions to include handwashing, gloving (sterile/non-sterile, Personal Protective Equipment (PPE).
6. Describe causative agent, symptoms, occurrence, reservoir, mode of transmission, incubation period, period of communicability, prevention and control measures of the following diseases: Human Immunodeficiency Virus/Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome, all types of Hepatitis (A, B, C, et.), Tuberculosis, Meningitis, antibiotic resistant microbes and Herpes viruses.
7. Differentiate forms of immunity.

C. VITAL SIGNS AND ANTHROPOMETRIC MEASUREMENTS

1. Demonstrate proficiency in obtaining and documenting blood pressure, temperature, pulse, respiration, weight and height.
2. Describe factors that affect vital signs including normal and abnormal values.
3. Identify and locate pulse sites.

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D. BASIC EMERGENCY CARE/FIRST AID AND TRIAGE

1. A course from an accredited agency (American Safety and Health Institute, American Heart Association, American Red Cross) leading to certification in First Aid is acceptable in lieu of the following recommended outline.
2. Perform initial assessment.
3. Demonstrate various techniques for control of bleeding.
4. Describe first aid for various types of shock.
5. Apply bandages and splints.
6. Describe assessment and treatment of burns, poisoning, seizures, insect stings/bites, heat cold exposure, syncope.

E. BASIC LIFE SUPPORT/CPR

1. Acquire certification in CPR for Healthcare Providers (including 2 person CPR) by a certified instructor from the American Heart Association.

Students must meet all criteria to sit for the ALHS 1040 exemption exam.

- A student needs to score an 80 % on the exemption exam for exemption credit.
- The exam consists of 55 questions worth 100 points and must be completed in 60 minutes.
- Students must show CPR certification

By signing this form I am stating I have read and understood the policy regarding the ALHS 1040 exemption examination.

I am not enrolled in ALHS 1040 nor have I taken the ALHS 1040 exemption exam.

Student Signature _____ Date: _____

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