NON-CREDIT PROGRAM PROGRAM STANDARDS FOR THE MEDICALLY FRAGILE

ISSUE	Hearing	Mobility	Motor Skills (Gross)	Tactile	Visual
STANDARD	Ability sufficient to monitor and assess health needs. Ability sufficient to hear and understand patients and staff; assess and monitor patient sounds.	Mobility and strength sufficient to support and move patients.	Perform multiple motor tasks simultaneously. Ability to lift, move, position, and transfer patients sufficient to provide safe and effective nursing care. Fine and gross motor skills sufficient to handle equipment and provide safe and effective patient care; steady arm and hand movements while manipulating objects or assisting patients.	Tactile ability sufficient for physical assessment. Tactile ability sufficient to assess patient's response to therapy.	Ability sufficient for observation and assessment necessary in nursing care. Have peripheral form depth perception and ability to distinguish shades of color. Ability sufficient to monitor and assess patient and equipment function; to provide safe and effective respiratory care.
EXAMPLES	Converse with patients and health care professionals; ausultation of BP breath, heart and bowel sounds; respond to paging systems, bells, telephones, and equipment sounds. Communicate and interact with patients and families from a variety of backgrounds. Follow verbal instructions. Hear heart and breath sounds. Detect and discriminate	Support and transfer patients, move in and out of treatment areas. Reach equipment or parts of patient's body.	Maneuver and operate equipment, pushing/pulling/carrying; perform CPR. Operate and manipulate equipment, blood collection devices, several items at once. Administer aerosols, suction patient, adjust pressure gauges. Lift and transport oxygen cylinders, move in and out of treatment areas. Push/pull hospital bed.	Distinguish hot or cool skin temperature, pulse rate; feel anatomical landmarks. Distinguish textures, degree of firmness, temperature differences, pulse rate.	Describe patient's skin color, perform calibrations on syringes, administering medications, thermometers, reading and writing patient's charts/flow sheets/ monitors; interpret reagent tests, color of body fluids, changes in skin color. Read written instructions/ orders. Read fine print, monitors, gauges. Differentiate color/ character of sputum for signs/ nature of infection/ disease Chart procedures and observations permanent medical record.

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