



The Manitoba Renal Program is a clinical program of the Winnipeg Regional Health Authority. Primary services offered by the Manitoba Renal Program include renal health care, hemodialysis care, peritoneal dialysis care, and renal health outreach. Hemodialysis is offered in Winnipeg, Brandon, and rural hospital locations throughout the province.



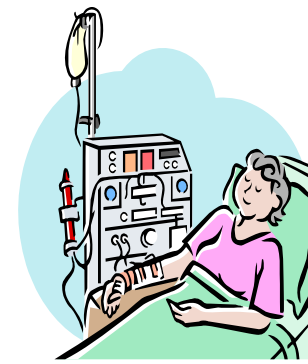
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Manitoba Nephrology Nursing Course (MNNC)



Program Description

The **Manitoba Nephrology Nursing Course (MNNC)** provides training for nephrology nurses in Manitoba. This nine week course prepares nurses to deliver comprehensive nursing care to nephrology patients and is comprised of the following components:

Self Learning Package (SLP) and Exam:

The SLP portion may be completed any time prior to securing a position within the Manitoba Renal Program (MRP). The SLP provides required knowledge for the nurse beginning advanced study of nephrology theory, clinical practice and preceptorship. It consists of several components that assist in laying the foundation for nephrology nursing. A passing grade of 70% is required on the SLP exam prior to a nurse being accepted into the MNNC. Once the exam is successfully completed, it is valid for one year.

The SLP is available for free download at www.manitobarenalprogram.ca. Click on the link for Manitoba Nephrology Nursing Course.

Pre-Entrance Requirements: In order to enter into the theory, clinical and preceptorship portions of the MNNC, the nurse must have secured a position within the MRP. It is anticipated that the nurse will apply for positions under the MRP mandate without having completed the MNNC. It is understood that the MNNC will be completed during the next course offering prior to commencement of work in the dialysis unit. The MNNC is offered several times throughout the year.

Theory/Lab: The theory/lab component is interspersed with the clinical component over a three week period. The theory and labs are offered at the Health Sciences Centre. This component builds on the SLP and looks at more advanced aspects of renal replacement therapies with hemodialysis as the focus. Hemodialysis clinical skills learned in theory will be practiced in laboratory and clinical settings.

Clinical Experience: The clinical experience is a continuation of the theory/lab experience (for an additional three weeks). This clinical experience is a time to meld the theory into practice. Uniforms will be required during the clinical experience.

Preceptorship: This component is 120 hours of clinical practice under the guidance of an experienced nephrology nurse preceptor. At the discretion of the manager of the hiring unit and the Renal Education Department, preceptorship may be completed at your unit of hire.

Nurses receive a wage or stipend from their hiring facility for the duration of the nine week course. After completing the five components, nurses who have fulfilled the MNNC requirements are considered prepared to work in the position they have previously secured. Hemodialysis nurses recognized by the MRP may seek employment in the various dialysis units throughout Manitoba.

Cost of the Program

SLP and Exam	no charge
Course Tuition	\$200.00

Textbooks are available from the University of Manitoba Book Store.

If you are interested in getting more information on the MNNC, you may contact us by:

- Telephone: 204.787.3317
- Email: mrp.ed@hsc.mb.ca
- Contacting the manager of the unit you are interested in being employed at.

