Information sheet for the course Communication in physiotherapy

University: Alexander Dubček University of Trenčín

Faculty: Faculty of Health Care

Course unit code: *KomFyz/d* **Course unit title:** *Communication in*

physiotherapy

Type of course unit: compulsory

Planned types, learning activities and teaching methods:

Lecture: 1 hour weekly/13 hours per semester of study; full-time Seminar: 1 hour weekly/13 hours per semester of study; full-time

Number of credits: 3

Recommended semester: 1st semester in the 1st year full-time

Degree of study: I (bachelor)

Course prerequisites: none

Assessment methods:

Students can obtain up to 100 credits per term.

During the term there will be one written test worth 50 credits and one oral exam worth another 50 credits. In order to obtain level A at least 95 credits are required. In order to obtain B level it is required to gain at least 90 credits, for C level students need at least 85 credits, for D level students need at least 80 credits, and for E level at least 65 credits. No credits will be granted to a student who will receive less than 30 points.

Learning outcomes of the course unit:

In this programme students will gain knowledge in communication and communication skills in physiotherapy. They will be able to analyse the elements of verbal and non-verbal communication. They will use model situations to demonstrate the communication skills practice, and both emphatic and assertive behaviour. They will be able to emphasize the need for reasonable self-realization in interpersonal relations, and they will be able to solve conflicts. Students will be able to point out specifications of a communication with an aggressive patient, a patient with sensory or mental disabilities as well as with a child patient, senior patient, and a patient's relatives.

Course contents:

- 1. Communication and its importance in interpersonal relations. The characteristics of social communication.
- 2. Communication process. Verbal communication. The characteristics of the verbal communication, and function of speech. Verbal speech and paralinguistic means of speech.
- 3. Communication process. Non-verbal communication. Characteristics of non-verbal communication. Categorization of non-verbal communication.
- 4. Personality of a physiotherapist. Physiotherapist's communication skills and their application during physiotherapy and rehabilitation of a patient.
- 5. Communication and physiotherapy and rehabilitation. Assessment and diagnostics of communication problems. The importance of communication at physiotherapist's work. Communication in the relation to a physiotherapist and rehabilitation. Assessment and diagnostics.
- 6. Empathy and its usage in interpersonal relations. Particular elements of empathy in the approach, of a physiotherapist to the patient.
- 7. Assertive behaviour in the profession of a physiotherapist. Assertiveness analysis and practice of assertive behaviour. Conflicts and their solutions.
- 8. Aspects of the psychotherapeutic relation and communication in the approach of a physiotherapist to the patient.

- 9. A dialogue between a physiotherapist and a patient and its analysis. Typology of physiotherapist's answers.
- 10. Evaluation and devaluation in social communication between a physiotherapist and a patient.
- 11. Specific features of physiotherapist's communication with a patient with motor, sensory or mental disability.
- 12. Physiotherapist's communication with a child patient. Physiotherapist's communication with a senior patient.
- 13. Physiotherapist's communication with patient's relatives. Burn-out syndrome as an occupational hazard at a physiotherapist.

Recommended of required reading:

DAŠKOVÁ, M. – VARJASSYOVÁ, K. a coll. 2013. Špecifiká komunikácie na linke tiesňového volania. Bratislava: ed. Medical literature: Herba, spol. s r.o., 2013. 124 p. ISBN 978-80-89631-06-3.

KOCIOVÁ, K. a coll. 2013. Základy fyzioterapie. Martin: Osveta, spol. s r.o., 2013. 238 p. ISBN 978-80-8063-389-9.

Kociová, K. – Peregrinová, Z. 2003. Fyzioterapia v geriatrii. Martin: Osveta, 2003. 63 p. ISBN 80-8063-132-8.

KRISTOVÁ, J. 2009. Komunikácia v ošetrovateľstve. Martin: Osveta, 2009. 182 p. ISBN 80-8063-160-3.

MOROVICSOVÁ, E. a coll. 2004. Komunikácia v ošetrovateľstve. 1. ed. Bratislava: UK v Bratislave, 2004. 140 p. ISBN 80-223-1940-6

PLEVOVÁ, *I. – SLOWIK*, *R. 2010. Komunikace s detským pacientem.1. ed. Praha : Grada Publishing, a.s., 2010. 256 p. ISBN 978-80-247-2968 -8.*

POKORNÁ, A. 2010. Komunikace se seniory. 1. ed. Praha: Grada Publishing, a.s., 2010. 160 p. ISBN 978-80-247-3271 -8.

PTÁČEK, R. – BARTŮNĚK, P. a coll. 2011. Etika a komunikace v medicíně. Praha : Grada Publishing, a.s., 2011. 528 p. ISBN 978-80-247-3976 -2.

SLOWIK, J. 2007. *Speciální pedagogika. Praha : Grada Publishing, a.s.,* 2007. 160 p. ISBN 978-80-247-1733 -3.

TROJAN, S.- DRUGA, R.- PFEIFFER, J.- VOTAVA, J. 2005. Fyziologie a léčebná rehabilitace motoriky člověka. Praha: Grada Publishing, a.s., 2005. 240 p. ISBN 80-247-1296-2.

VENGLÁŘOVÁ, M.- MAHROVÁ, G. 2006. Komunikace pro zdravotní sestry. Praha : Grada Publishing, a.s., 2006. 144 p. ISBN 80-247-1262 -8.

WERNEROVÁ, I. 2010. Komunikace pro každého. Ed. 1. Computer Media spol. s r.o., 2010. 240p. ISBN 978-80-7402-064-3.

Language: Slovak

Remarks: *subject is taught in the winter semester. In exercise of the year divided by the number of students per group 20-22.*

Evaluation history: *Number of evaluated students*

A	В	С	D	Е	FX
192	47	23	2	8	41
61%	15%	7%	1%	3%	13%

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