

ISSUES IN CORRECTIONAL NURSING 02-09-2015

OBJECTIVES

1. Review the role of the Correctional Officer as it pertains to the health care delivery system within the Institutions of both prisons and county jails.
2. Discuss standard of care as it pertains to inmates. Review process of RN referrals to Providers and specialist.
3. Gain a clearer understanding of the triage process as it pertains to written requests and access to care within the Correctional Setting.
4. Review the role and process of medical emergency response and dynamics involved as it pertains to each facility. Identify barriers in County Jails with Huber facilities. Provide example of inappropriate transportation mode based on presenting complaint.
5. Identify Medication Administration process of prescription medications within the prison system and how it differentiates from county jails.
6. Learn process of over the counter medications sent to inmates and gain a clearer understanding of the difference between prison setting and county jails. Discuss meds which inmates may carry in their own possession.
7. Discuss safety of nursing staff in correctional facilities. Identify 3 differences between correctional and civilian nursing [staffing ratio, narcotic accountability, lack of training in county jails to adequately prepare nurses]. Identify possible scenarios which could result in delay of emergency care.
8. Identify the delicate balance of maintaining HIPPA/confidentiality while dealing with maximum security inmates located in Segregation [aka Restrictive Housing].
9. Discuss and identify Inmate Complaint Process currently within the WI Department of Corrections. Compare and discuss differences that exist in county jails with respect to inmate complaint processes.