Candidate's Required Technical Standards

A candidate for the UC Medical Assisting Certificate program must have abilities and skills as follows:

- 1. **Observation:** Candidates must have sufficient sensory capacity to observe in lecture and clinical settings. Sensory and tactile skills must be adequate to observe a patient's condition and to elicit information through procedures regularly required in comprehensive medical assisting patient evaluation.
- Communications: The candidate must be able to communicate effectively and sensitively with patients to elicit information, describe changes in mood, activity and posture; assess nonverbal communication; and be able to effectively and efficiently transmit information to patients, fellow students, faculty and staff. Candidates must demonstrate effective writing skills.
- 3. **Motor:** The candidate must have sufficient motor function to elicit information from patients by appropriate diagnostic or therapeutic maneuvers; be able to perform basic tests; be able to execute motor movements reasonably required to provide general care and emergency treatment to patients.
- 4. Intellectual/Conceptual, Integrative and Quantitative Abilities: The candidate must be able to measure, calculate, reason, analyze and synthesize. Problem solving, a critical skill demanded of allied health practitioners, requires all these intellectual abilities. Candidates must be able to read and understand medical literature.
- 5. **Behavioral and Social Attributes:** The candidate must possess the emotional health required for full utilization of his or her intellectual abilities, the exercise of good judgment, the prompt completion of all responsibilities attendant to care of patients and the development of mature, sensitive and effective relationships with patients. Candidates must also be able to tolerate taxing workloads, function effectively under stress, adapt to a changing environment, display flexibility and learn to function in the face of the uncertainties inherent in the clinical problems of many patients.

Applicants to the Medical Assisting program are responsible for determining their own eligibility in light of these standards. It is also the responsibility of students to inform the college of any potential problem areas and to communicate with the MA faculty and Program Director any particular accommodations that they may need after registering with UC Blue Ash Accessibility Resources.

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