

# Venepuncture and Peripheral Intravenous Cannulation Course

One of the core skills required for a nurse is to perform venepuncture and peripheral intravenous cannulation (VPIC) to patients. The course provides **Registered Nurses** and **Enrolled Nurses** with the underlying principles and opportunity to gain competence in performing VPIC in a clinical setting. As such, nurses working in the clinical areas shall possess the relevant clinical knowledge, competencies and attitudes pertaining to VPIC.

## Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of this course, the learner will be able to:

1. Demonstrate safe practice and professional accountability when performing VPIC.
2. Perform accurate and holistic assessment in the selection of venous sites, venous tone and correct requisites, and identify patients' specific indications, contraindications and possible risks.
3. Acquire and maintain competence on the skills necessary to perform VPIC.
4. Apply knowledge of the institution's policies and procedures when performing VPIC.
5. State the potential complications following VPIC, prevent, recognise and manage complications associated with VPIC.
6. Discuss the legal and ethical aspects involved when patients develop complications and problems arising from VPIC.

## Course Duration (hours)

- Theoretical component: 3.5 hours (self-directed learning and classroom)
- Practical component: 3.5 hours of skill practicum (classroom)
- Clinical component: 3 hours (minimum time used to perform 3 successful attempts for venepuncture and peripheral intravenous cannulation each)

\*Up to 12 weeks on the job practice and assessment of competence using a workplace-based assessment tool

## Course Enquiries and Registration

For enquiries or registration, please email [wh.ned@nhghealth.com.sg](mailto:wh.ned@nhghealth.com.sg).

We will provide the full course details, fees, and enrolment steps upon receiving your message.