

# **RCCAP** | Regional Critical Care Advancement Program

#### **PROGRAM DESCRIPTION**

The RCCAP program is supported by the Professional Practice Office (PPO) and the Critical Care Network (CCN) within IH. RCCAP uses standardized, evidence informed, on-line curriculums offered by the American Association of Critical-Care Nurses (AACN), including Essentials of Critical Care Orientation (ECCO) and the Essentials of ECG & Dysrhythmia Monitoring.

Required Theory	Clinical Lab Hours	Preceptorship led Clinical Practicum	Total Length of Program
Full-Time Training – all hours remunerated			12 weeks
115 hours	155 hours	180 hours	450 hours

To facilitate critical thinking within the context of critical care, RCCAP has adopted a blended-learning model, allowing learners to solidify learning through use of technology-based materials in combination with face-to-face, instructor-led education.

#### **PROGRAM DELIVERY**

The 12-week, full-time program systematically integrates content and promotes the development of hands-on skills through skills lab days and clinical shifts. The full-time 12-week program is divided into *2 parts:* 

## Part 1: Weeks 1-7

Part 1 of the program uses an online interactive, case-based delivery of theory where the learner completes the required modules at their own pace. Integrated into these weeks are on-site weekly skills labs and clinical days. Skills labs and clinical days are designed to allow the learned to apply theory into practice. On-site skills lab and clinical days will take place at the learner's home unit, with unit educators' and clinical resource nurses' support.

## Part 2: Weeks 8-12

Part 2 of the program is a 180-hour (16 shifts x 11.25 hour) preceptor-led clinical practicum within a critical-care area.

Learners will receive a certificate of program completion upon successful completion of the theory and clinical/lab and practicum components of the program.

## For additional program information please refer to RCCAP program syllabus <u>Specialty</u> <u>Education TeamSite</u>