N519 Pharmacotherapeutics for Middle Aged Adults
Semester Offered: Summer
Credits: 1 lecture
Prerequisites: N517 or consent of instructor
Co-requisites: N562 or consent of instructor

Course Description: Addresses pharmacological intervention in managing common health care problems of midlife adults and their families. Students will apply knowledge of pharmacological management of commonly encountered health problems of middle aged adults.

Course Objectives:

1. Discuss pharmacokinetic and physiological factors that alter/predict drug actions in adult clients.

2. Demonstrate skills consistent with advanced practice roles when managing common health problems of adult clients.

3. Discuss commonly encountered adverse drug reactions and their appropriate management for adult clients.

4. Discuss potential interactions of prescribed medications with commonly used complementary alternative medicine (CAM) and over-the-counter (OTC) drugs used by adult clients.

5. Apply principles of client education regarding pharmacotherapy for adult clients and their families.

6. Apply legal and ethical principles inherent in the pharmacological interventions with adult clients and families.

Suggested Content:

GERD, PUD
Headache
Ischemic Heart Disease
HTN
Upper/Lower Respiratory Infection
Dislipidemia
Hormone Replacement
Herbal, osteoporosis (OTC, CAM & Rx)
Pain Control, NSAIDS, Narcotics
Diabetes
Anti-virals
Psychotropic drug therapy
Diet drugs
Sexual enhancement drugs

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