

# BAKER COLLEGE STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES

RDT1010 Introduction to Radiation Therapy

3 Semester Hours

## **Student Learning Outcomes and Enabling Objectives**

- 1. Examine the scope of practice, practice standards, and professional code of ethics for a radiation therapist.
  - a. Identify the roles and responsibilities of a radiation therapist.
  - b. Incorporate key terms used in the principles and practice of radiation therapy.
  - c. Discuss the equipment used in radiation therapy.
  - d. Identify the contents/sections of patient records.
  - e. Examine the importance of documentation and maintenance of clinical patient records.
  - f. Explain radiation safety procedures for radiation therapy.
  - g. Explain health safety procedures for personnel and patients.
  - h. Analyze the role of code of ethics, radiation therapy scope of practice, and radiation therapy practice standards as guides to assess the appropriateness of professional actions.
- 2. Analyze the importance of interdisciplinary care of cancer patients.
  - a. Explain multidisciplinary evaluation and planning of cancer patient's care.
  - b. Differentiate between the members of the multidisciplinary team for cancer care.
  - c. Discuss the roles of the members of the multidisciplinary cancer care team.
- 3. Explain the impact of legal and ethical issues in the practice of radiation therapy.
  - a. Discuss the responsibility of patient, staff and facility confidentiality.
  - b. Analyze the different sources of law using concepts related to social, political, economic, and historical issues.
  - c. Identify the steps in a civil legal procedure and the potential role of a radiation therapist.
  - d. Assess the role of effective communication skills in reducing legal action.
  - e. Examine the role of the radiation therapist in the informed consent process, patient rights, and practice standards.
- 4. Examine how lifelong learning and professional competence impact the radiation therapy profession.
  - a. Discuss the philosophy and mission of health care delivery systems and educational programs.
  - b. Differentiate between accreditation, credentialing, certification, registration, licensure, and regulations.
  - c. Explain the purposes, functions and activities of international, state, and local professional organizations.
  - d. Discuss career advancement opportunities for the radiation therapist.
  - e. Discuss the importance of professional and community commitment.
  - f. Discuss the benefits of continuing education as related to improved patient care, professional development, and personal enhancement.
  - g. Discuss the practice of lifelong learning in maintaining professional competence.

## **Big Ideas and Essential Questions**

### **Big Ideas:**

- Radiation therapy scope of practice
- Lifelong Learning and Professional Competence
- Interdisciplinary care of cancer patients
- Legal and ethical issues

### **Essential Questions:**

- 1. How does the scope of practice influence my job as a radiation therapist?
- 2. How do legal and ethical issues impact what I do as a radiation therapist?
- 3. Why is it important to approach cancer patient care from an interdisciplinary perspective?
- 4. How do lifelong learning and professional competence impact my ability as a radiation therapist?

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