

PICC & Midline Insertion and Maintenance Course:

Includes

1. Correspondence study packet.
2. Power point review with instructor
3. Insertion Simulation with manikin

The latest Intravenous Nurse Society (INS) Standards of Practice and the Centers for Disease Control Guidelines will be incorporated into all programs.

This program provides the participant with educational preparation to properly insert and care for Midline & PICC lines. The participant will be able to recognize PICC line complications and implement appropriate interventions in all settings. Areas of nursing malpractice related to PICC lines and courtroom defense strategies will be addressed.

Objectives of the class include:

- Define PICC and midline catheters and discuss the indications and contraindications for use
- Identify the veins of upper arm and chest; explain vein selection based on vessel health
- Provide detailed, step-by-step insertion procedure instructions including infection prevention
- Review the common complications associated with PICCs and Midlines including how to prevent these complications and what to do if a complication is suspected
- Describe basic care and maintenance procedures including daily site assessment and management of catheter flushing for optimal PICC function

Additional Component of the course:

- Review Correctly insert a PICC line in an anatomically correct manikin.
- Legal aspects of intravenous therapy specific to PICCs

Simulation and/or supervised insertions are additional components of training. It is designed to establish patient safety, confirming the clinician has reached competency in the insertion procedure. Simulation is provided as part of a hands-on workshop that you attend.

While there is no set number of supervised insertions required prior to independent placement, it is recommended that you perform enough that you and your supervisor feel you are completely competent and confident to handle a variety of situations. No two insertions are the same.

This advanced training includes theory and simulated practice on the anatomically correct Peter PICC line manikin. Successful completion allows the participant to insert this line according to your healthcare facility policy*(highly recommended that you not insert until a policy has been established). This course is intended for the experienced RN or higher level staff who is already competent with starting peripheral IVs and who wishes to stay current with the latest advancements in IV therapy.

As more patients are being discharged earlier from hospitals, ways of decreasing their stay and accomplishing their therapy in alternative settings are being utilized. The use of the peripherally inserted central catheter in managing intravenous therapy in the hospital and home setting is increasing in frequency. PICC lines can establish venous access in patients as a safe and cost-effective alternative.

Cost will be \$500 per participant and payment can be made by cash the day of class or credit card the day of class or in advance. If unable to make the class funds can be applied to the next class date. Registration is required and is below. The Stafford office, which is a southwest suburb of Houston:

Professional Healthcare Education Service Inc.
3727 Greenbriar Dr. #403
Stafford, TX 77477
281-313-7437
281-313-7470 fax

Registration Form: please return via email to pbes@windstream.net or fax 281-313-7470

Name: _____ Texas License # _____

MD, PA RN or LVN (circle one)

Address: _____

E-Mail address: _____

Phone # _____ Class Date options requesting:

_____ and our site or yours _____

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If you want to keep current on the latest technology, register now, as the class size is limited.

All classes are taught by RNs certified in PICC line insertion. All instructors have clinical experience as well as the theoretical knowledge necessary to effectively conduct this program. This course is not affiliated with any manufacturer. We use a variety of different PICC lines and equipment to enable us to review the pros and cons of all product devices. A comprehensive reference manual is included in the course cost and will be given out on the day of the course.

****Hospital and Home Health Agency policies on insertion of PICC lines differ. In almost all cases however, a preceptorship is established in order for the nurse to demonstrate competence. Length of preceptorship is dependent upon the facilities policies regarding PICC line insertion. This certification course is the first step for the learner wishing to master this procedure.***

The course fee is \$500 for 8 Contact Hours and includes PICC Line, Dressing Kit & course work for each student provided on the day of class.