Basic Assessment and Support in Intensive Care

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This course aims to provide an introduction to Intensive Care nursing for novice ICU nurses. There is a strong focus on the practical needs of the novice ICU nurse, with theoretical aspects being limited to those issues that are directly relevant to an understanding of clinical practice. The course qualifies for 8 CPD points per day.

The course consists of:
- Course manual for pre-course reading
- Pre-course multiple choice question test
- Lectures
- Skill Stations
- Post course test
- Morning Tea / lunch / afternoon tea

Target Audience:
Novice ICU nurses, Nurses working in critical care areas including emergency, recovery and CCU.

Registration Fee:
$220 (inc GST) SWSLHD employees
$330 (inc GST) external participants

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Topics include:
- Basic nursing assessment of critically ill patients
- Basic respiratory physiology
- Acute respiratory failure
- Mechanical ventilation - modes and settings
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- Respiratory monitoring in ICU
- Nursing care of the ventilated patient
- Basic cardiovascular physiology
- Basic haemodynamic monitoring in ICU
- Life threatening arrhythmias
- Shock
- Oliguria
- Airway management
- Non-invasive ventilation
- Basic neurological assessment in ICU
- Intracranial hypertension
- Arterial blood gases interpretation
- Clinical handover
- Communication in ICU
- Cardiopulmonary resuscitation in ICU
- Transport of critically ill patients
- Sedation
- Acute pain
- Nutritional support
- Infection control