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**ABSTRACT**

With the goal of bringing relevancy to the learning process, the Blue Hills Regional Technical Education Center in Canton, Massachusetts has developed an integrated curriculum relating career development laboratory instruction to theoretical instruction and applying the process to a health services cluster. The health services program provides an orientation to health careers with classroom instruction and laboratory practice at the secondary level. The course presents basic health and health occupation skills. An analysis of job performances, or occupational analysis (OA), is the curriculum base, which is then translated into performance objectives, and finally sequentially grouped into developmental learning hierarchies, forming laboratory instructional units. Related performance objectives paralleling laboratory instruction were developed by science, math, social studies, English, and foreign language teachers to produce integrated instructional units. (MW)

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# **THE BLUE HILLS MODEL**

**A Regional Center Providing:**

**Comprehensive Programs in Vocational -  
Technical Education**

**Curricula and Resources for a  
Career Educational Network**

**Exploratory Options in Career Clusters**

**Volume II - A Health Services Curriculum**

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AN INTERDISCIPLINARY CURRICULUM  
PROCESS FOR CAREER DEVELOPMENT  
STUDENTS

A major portion of the original success experienced at Blue Hills in the school's development of a curriculum design for comprehensive vocational education, can be attributed to an innovative process which made use of a competency based curriculum geared to the specific needs of the individual student.

This process, called "Relevance," together with the basic educational philosophy that upon graduation all Blue Hills students should be prepared to enter the world of work or continue their education beyond, has more than adequately responded to the product accountability of the institution's goals and objectives.

~~This relevant curriculum process~~ at Blue Hills has emphasized the competency based task performance as a priority, and the supportive educational disciplines of mathematics, the sciences and the humanities have been interwoven around the common occupational core. This meaningful blend of the total subject matter, provided by a task force of mathematics, science, social studies, English and occupational teachers working together, exemplifies comprehensive education in its truest sense. And, when it is provided for the "whole child" within the confines of a single institution, as has been so aptly demonstrated in the Blue Hills Collaborative Model, the writer believes this concept typifies "Career Education" in its intended form.

Volume I, The Satellite Plan, describes the rationale of the same successful regional vocational-technical center serving the comprehensive career educational needs of a variety of students in specific occupational programs at the regional center.

In addition, the Satellite Plan outlines the organizational structure, the program philosophy, and the exploratory cluster concept, which are so designed to provide for an additional number of students in their member town high schools. These would be students who are not yet ready to make a commitment to either vocational education or college preparation and who would benefit greatly from such an experience.

The rationale for the Blue Hills Center sending staff and resources to the member town high schools, as opposed to the "skill center concept" of bussing students from center to member town high schools for their academic subject matter, should become more apparent as the reader reviews Volume II and the additional curriculum related series.

Volume II, and the entire related curriculum series, represents the original core curriculum concept of the regional center refined by an interdisciplinary team of academic and occupational educational experts in order to provide competency based behavioral performance objectives.

Project Relevance represents the combined efforts of the Center's occupational staff working in concert with the academic staff of the Randolph High School, a novel and successful collaborative effort for expanding career development options for 60% of the regional district's secondary youth.

The Blue Hills Model curriculum efforts have now been replicated for review by Massachusetts educators and represent a mere sampling of the process and an introduction to the format. The Regional District School Committee takes great pride in having had this opportunity to share with the readers their preliminary pilot efforts in Career Education Planning and Development.

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ABSTRACT

A Health Services Program designed to provide an introduction and orientation to health careers via the media of instruction and supervised clinical and/or laboratory practice, depending upon the individual's level and aspirations within the field is the objective of this area. The course will:

1. Prepare students in the basic principles for maintenance of sound physical and mental health.
2. Provide students with an understanding of current health concepts including the meaning and purpose of good community health.
3. Supply basic concepts of normal growth and development, and nutrition.
4. Provide a foundation in the physical and biological sciences.
5. Enable the student, through laboratory activity, to develop health occupation skills and become acquainted with the number and variety of careers in health services.



6. Prepare students for entry into post-secondary educational programs and institutions of higher education.

This document describes a process to develop an integrated curriculum relating Career Development laboratory instruction to theoretical instruction, and the application of this process to a Health Services cluster. Initial efforts in building the curriculum involved the development of an Occupational Analysis (OA) by the laboratory teacher. The OA is a systematic analysis of job performances required by occupations within a career cluster. An OA, the curriculum base, is translated into performance objectives (PO) which are sequentially grouped into developmental learning hierarchies, forming laboratory instructional units. Related performance objectives (RPO), paralleling laboratory instruction were developed by Science, Math, Social Studies, English and Foreign Language teachers. The final product of this process are Integrated Instructional Packages (IIP), i.e., interdisciplinary instructional units relating theoretical-academic concepts to laboratory instruction for specific Career Development clusters.

## FOREWORD

"PROJECT RELEVANCE" has been sponsored by Federal Funds from P.L. #90-576, and has been assigned to the Blue Hills Regional Technical School District for the development of an innovative curriculum. The final product of this effort is designed to enhance the comprehensive academic preparation and to compliment the career major preparation of Randolph High School Career Development students who are now experiencing an introduction to career opportunities by way of an exemplary educational process.

Recognizing that: an estimated 80% of our nation's secondary students will not graduate from a four year college program during the 70s (while only 10% receive comprehensive occupational education) and, further, that:

- - 850,000 students drop out of high school annually (turned off)
- - 750,000 students are still experiencing general course content which does not provide for four year college preparation, nor entry level skill training.
- - 850,000 students drop out of a four year college system annually during their first semester
- - the educational dollar expenditure for the latter three categorical educational product deficiencies represents approximately 27 billion dollars, or 1/3 of our national gross expenditure for education.

It becomes readily apparent that our current educational process must be amended so as to provide adequate product goals which will allow every high school graduate the opportunity:

- to enter the world of work with entry level career skills, or
- to continue his/her education beyond at an institution for specific career preparation (the technical school - the two year or four year college) with adequate secondary preparation
- to be engaged in an educational process that brings relevancy to classroom instruction

The total Exemplary Program grant to the Blue Hills-Randolph National Model Project outlines the following conditions of performance:

- I. A regional vocational technical school will, in addition to serving the specific occupational needs of an area, lend sufficient services to a network of comprehensive high schools for the promotion of career development.
- II. Such support services will provide career development and exploration for a large group of secondary students who are neither ready to make a commitment for specific career preparation (Blue Hills), nor are they ready for making a decision which

will limit their elective process for college preparation. (Adequate curriculum flexibility provides for delayed decision making)

- III. A career development cluster concept (Randolph High School) with exploration options will be developed jointly by the academic and vocational educator who will provide spin-off options to the regional vocational technical center (Blue Hills), and entry level skills for the high school graduate who prefers not to continue his/her education beyond high school at the technical school or the four year college, as well as adequate preparation for higher education.
- IV. That a general set of education specifications will be provided (The Commonwealth of Massachusetts), which will:
  - a.) include a complete set of floor plans, career laboratory design specifications, and
  - b.) hardware and equipment inventories which will compliment the cluster laboratory design now in operation in the Randolph High School
- V. That an innovative guidance component will be developed which will bring a meaningful program of career awareness to (K-6) children, as well as an effective software system of career exploration to the middle school concept, and a comprehensive

guidance support program for career development students experiencing a variety of career cluster options at the high school level.

- VI. That a fully documented curriculum development experiment be established, providing supportive academic subject matter for students indicating interest in the programs at the Randolph High School Career Development Center, and that such curriculum development be predicated on an Occupational Analysis of Career major selective subjects.
- VII. That such mutually developed curricula (prepared by both academic and vocational educators) bring relevance to mathematical, science and other academic program content, while also establishing a motivational relationship between the classroom content and the career laboratory experiences.
- VIII. That all innovative curriculum materials developed, as outlined above, be ultimately directed to student behavioral standards and conform to a performance objective format.

As this effort commences on June 25, 1973, and all participants undertake an exciting new experiment in "Project Relevance," my confidence in a successful outcome becomes increasingly more positive.

Please accept my sincere appreciation for your willingness and dedication to this most important introductory effort to establish relevance in our educational process.

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THE OCCUPATIONAL  
ANALYSIS PROCESS

## OCCUPATIONAL ANALYSIS PROCESS

A systematic analysis of the tasks, duties, and responsibilities common to and specifically required of occupations within a career cluster. The analysis provides the teacher with the basis for determining curricular content by translating occupational tasks and duties into specific educational objectives.

When arranged in sequential format, outlining categorical tasks from simple to complex, the occupational analysis assists the teacher in developing educational performance objectives, developmental hierarchies, and activity packages that take into consideration student individual differences.

The primary purpose for using an occupational analysis as a starting point in the development of curricula is to facilitate a relationship between the world of work and school-based instruction with the goal of bringing relevancy to the learning process.

## OCCUPATIONAL ANALYSIS COMPONENTS

- Cluster: A group of related occupations combined under a general group classification
- Level: An instructional level of an Occupational Analysis, arranged in order of learning progress, or ability level - i.e.  
Career Development Level I  
i.e. Grade 10 (Health Careers C.D.)
- Division: A major component grouping of a particular analysis - i.e. Health Careers (OA) -  
Nursing Procedures

## OCCUPATIONAL ANALYSIS COMPONENTS (Continued)

Subdivisions: Secondary components levels of an Occupational Analysis Division

Unit: A sub-section of an Occupational Analysis sub-division outlining more specific occupational experiences

Tasks: A series of career performances as required of the Occupational Technician from an Occupational Analysis unit outline

Unit - BLOOD PRESSURE

Task - Take a blood pressure

Performance Objectives - (PO) - An occupational task transformed into a specific learning objective outlining the required performance expectations of the teacher from the student expressed in observable and measurable terms

Related Performance Objectives (RPO): A performance objective that defines a specific, theoretical, academic, or technological concept and is essentially related to the Career Performance Objective and the total career learning process.

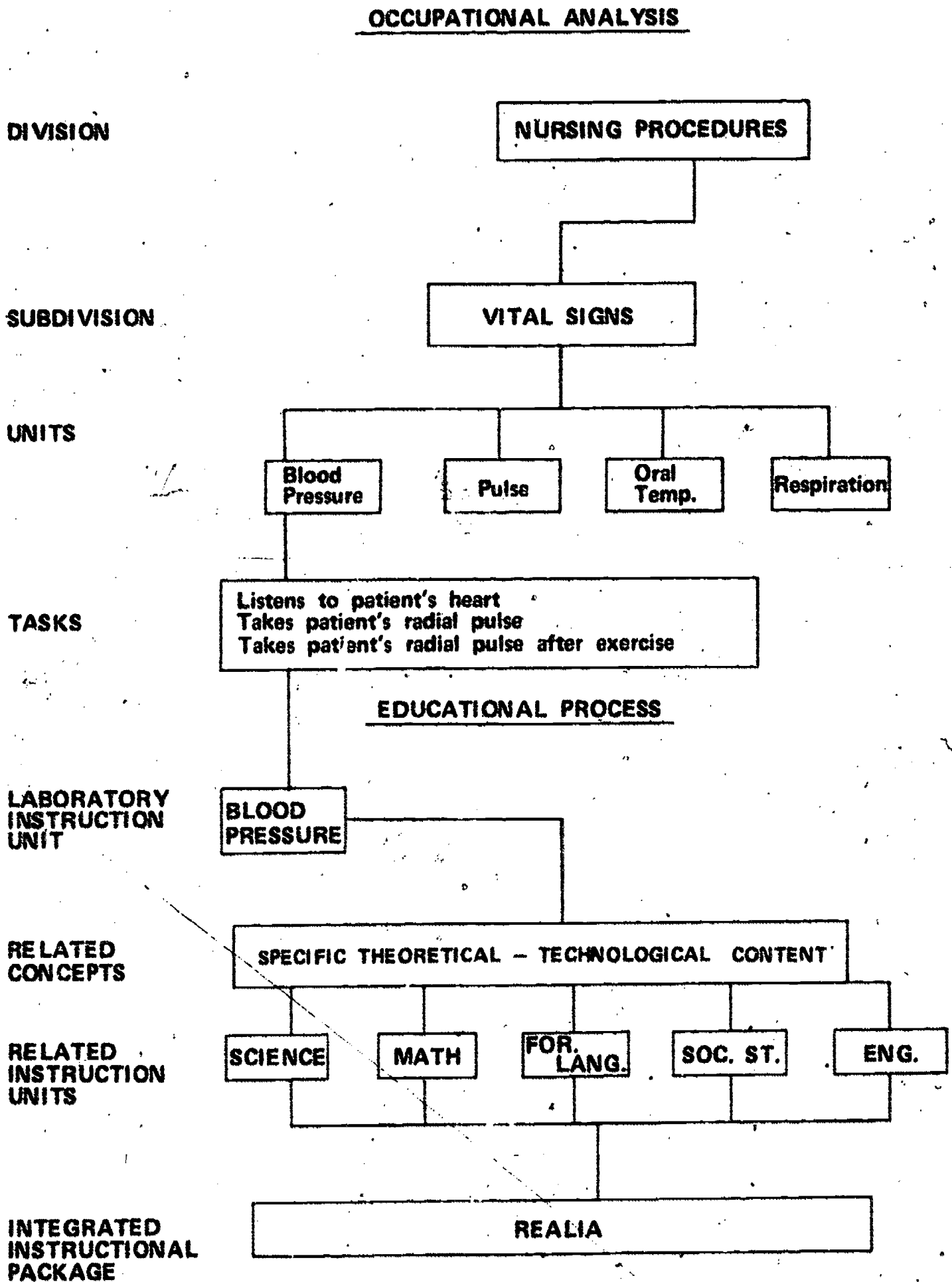
OCCUPATIONAL ANALYSIS COMPONENTS (Continued)

Realia: Activities, resources, etc. used to relate theoretical instruction to real life.

Integrated Instructional Packages: Interdisciplinary instructional units relating theoretical concepts to laboratory instruction for specific career development clusters.

BLUE HILL REGIONAL CAREER EDUCATION CENTER

SCHEMATIC ILLUSTRATING THE TRANSITION FROM AN OCCUPATIONAL ANALYSIS TO AN EDUCATIONAL ANALYSIS FOR THE HEALTH SERVICE CLUSTER



OCCUPATIONAL ANALYSIS  
HEALTH SERVICES CLUSTER

OCCUPATIONAL ANALYSIS  
DIVISION LEVEL

DIVISION  
SUBDIVISIONS

NURSING PROCEDURES

Vital Signs  
Patient Comfort -  
Bed Unit Care  
Asepsis  
Sterile Technique  
Charting  
Admission and Discharge

DIVISION  
SUBDIVISIONS

LABORATORY PROCEDURES+

Dilutions  
Solutions  
Equipment  
Specimen Analysis  
Recording

DIVISION  
SUBDIVISIONS

MEDICAL BUSINESS PROCEDURES

Records and Medical Histories  
Receiving Patients  
Supply Orders

DIVISION  
SUBDIVISIONS

DIAGNOSTIC PROCEDURES

Hospital Departments  
Chronic Illness  
Communicable Disease  
Personal Health

DIVISION  
SUBDIVISIONS

PHYSICAL AND OCCUPATIONAL  
THERAPY PROCEDURES

Body Mechanics  
Ambulation  
Disabilities  
Crafts

NURSING PROCEDURES DIVISION  
SUBDIVISION LEVEL

DIVISION  
SUBDIVISION  
UNIT(S)

Nursing Procedures  
VITAL SIGNS  
Pulse  
Temperature  
Respiration  
Blood Pressure

SUBDIVISION  
UNIT(S)

PATIENT COMFORT  
Lifting and Moving  
Serving and Feeding  
Oral Care  
Hair Care  
Skin Care

SUBDIVISION  
UNIT(S)

BED UNIT CARE  
Operation of Bed  
Cleaning Unit  
Bed Making

SUBDIVISION  
UNIT(S)

ASEPSIS  
Micro-organisms  
Handwashing  
Disinfectants and Antiseptics

SUBDIVISION  
UNIT(S)

STERILE TECHNIQUE  
Isolation Unit  
Equipment  
Methods

SUBDIVISION  
UNIT(S)

CHARTING  
Intake and Output  
Vital Signs  
Abbreviations

SUBDIVISION  
UNIT(S)

ADMISSION & DISCHARGE  
Height & Weight  
Histories  
Valuables  
Personal Relationships



NURSING PROCEDURES (Continued)

UNIT LEVEL

DIVISION  
SUBDIVISION  
UNIT(S)  
TASKS

Nursing Procedures.

Vital Signs

PULSE

Takes patient's radial pulse  
Takes patient's radial pulse  
after exercise  
Takes temporal, brachial,  
popliteal and dorsalis pedis  
pulse

UNIT  
TASKS

ORAL TEMPERATURE

Cleans thermometer  
Takes different readings in  
three temperature waters  
Takes patient's oral temperature

UNIT  
TASKS

RESPIRATION

Takes patient's respiration  
Takes patient's respiration  
after exercise

UNIT  
TASKS

BLOOD PRESSURE

Listens to patient's heart  
with stethoscope  
Takes patient's blood pressure  
at rest  
Takes patient's blood pressure  
after exercise

SUBDIVISION  
UNIT  
TASKS

Patient Comfort

LIFTING AND MOVING

Lifts patient to sitting position  
in bed  
Slides patient to side of bed  
Assists patient to dangle legs at  
side of bed  
Assists patient out of bed  
to chair

UNIT  
TASKS

SERVING AND FEEDING

Defines therapeutic diets  
Sets up a liquid tray  
Sets up a soft diet tray  
Assists patient to select  
food from menu

NURSING PROCEDURES (Continued)

UNIT LEVEL

DIVISION  
SUBDIVISION  
UNIT  
TASKS

Nursing Procedures  
Patient Comfort

SERVING AND FEEDING (Cont.)

Prepares patient to be serviced  
Helps feed a helpless patient

UNIT  
TASKS

ORAL CARE

Shows correct brushing of  
plastic set of teeth  
Assists patient to brush teeth

UNIT  
TASKS

HAIR CARE

Brushes and combs bed patient's hair  
Braids bed patient's hair  
Washes bed patient's hair

UNIT  
TASKS

SKIN CARE

Defines cause of decubitus ulcers  
Administers a backrub  
washes patient's hands, face & feet  
Applies cream to hands and manicures  
fingernails

UNIT  
TASKS

OPERATION OF BED

Demonstrates raising and lowering  
of bed  
Demonstrates raising of head and  
foot of bed

UNIT  
TASKS

CLEANING OF UNIT

Defines unit facilities  
Takes apart and cleans bed with  
disinfectants  
Disinfects rest of unit

UNIT  
TASKS

BED MAKING

Makes closed unoccupied bed  
Makes an open unoccupied bed  
Makes an occupied bed  
Makes a post operative bed

UNIT  
TASKS

MICRO-ORGANISMS

Defines 6 types of micro-organisms  
Defines conditions best for growth  
Lists ways disease spread in hospital  
Lists ways disease controlled in  
hospital

NURSING PROCEDURES (Continued)

UNIT LEVEL

DIVISION  
SUBDIVISION  
UNIT  
TASKS

Nursing Procedures  
Patient Comfort  
HAND WASHING

Lists when hands washed  
Demonstrates proper method of  
hand washing

UNIT  
TASKS

DISINFECTANTS AND ANTISEPTICS

Explain use  
Name some disinfectants and  
antiseptics  
Demonstrates method of use  
of disinfectants and antiseptics

SUBDIVISION  
UNIT  
TASKS

Sterile Technique

ISOLATION UNIT

Sets up unit for isolation  
Care of unit when isolation ends

UNIT  
TASKS

EQUIPMENT

Defines reasons a patient is in  
isolation  
Defines equipment used for  
isolation unit  
Caring for isolation equipment

UNIT  
TASKS

METHODS

Puts on mask  
Puts on and takes off isolation gown  
Takes care of isolation room waste  
Takes care of isolation room linen

SUBDIVISION  
UNIT  
TASKS

Charting

INTAKE AND OUTPUT

Defines reasons for intake and output  
Keeps a 24 hour record of intake and  
output

UNIT  
TASKS

VITAL SIGNS

Charts temperature, pulse and  
respiration  
Charts blood pressure

UNIT  
TASKS

ABBREVIATIONS

Defines time abbreviations  
Defines department abbreviations  
Defines patient orders  
abbreviations

NURSING PROCEDURES (Continued)

UNIT LEVEL

DIVISION  
SUBDIVISION  
UNIT  
TASKS

Nursing Procedures  
Admission and Discharge  
HEIGHT AND WEIGHT

Takes patients height and records  
Takes patients weight and records

UNIT  
TASKS

MEDICAL HISTORIES

Defines terms on forms  
Takes own medical history  
Takes patients medical history

UNIT  
TASKS

VALUABLES

Records patients valuables  
Stores patients valuables  
Returns patients valuables

UNIT  
TASKS

PERSONAL RELATIONSHIPS

Introduces patient to unit  
Helps dress and undress patient

LABORATORY PROCEDURES DIVISION  
SUBDIVISION LEVEL

DIVISION  
SUBDIVISION  
UNIT(S)

Laboratory Procedures  
DILUTIONS  
Instruments  
Pipets  
Calculations

SUBDIVISION  
UNIT(S)

SOLUTIONS  
Solute and Solvent  
Weighing  
Calculations  
Methods

SUBDIVISION  
UNIT(S)

EQUIPMENT  
Microscope  
Glassware  
Balance  
Urinometer  
Hemocytometer  
Wrapping

SUBDIVISION  
UNIT(S)

SPECIMEN ANALYSIS  
Blood  
Micro-organisms

SUBDIVISION  
UNIT(S)

RECORDING  
Laboratory Forms  
Requisitions

DIVISION  
SUBDIVISION  
UNIT(S)

Medical Business Procedures  
RECORD KEEPING  
Medical Histories  
Patient Files  
Medical Ethics

SUBDIVISION  
UNIT(S)

RECEIVING PATIENTS  
Preparation of patient  
Personal relationships

LABORATORY PROCEDURES DIVISION  
SUBDIVISION LEVEL

DIVISION  
SUBDIVISION  
UNIT(S)

Medical Business Procedures  
SUPPLY ORDERS  
Inventory  
Ordering Supplies

LABORATORY PROCEDURES DIVISION  
UNIT LEVEL

DIVISION  
SUBDIVISION  
UNIT(S)  
TASKS

Laboratory Procedures  
Dilutions  
INSTRUMENTS  
Identify volumetric glassware  
Measure fluids in glassware

UNIT  
TASKS

PIPETS  
Identify volumetric pipets  
Identify graduated pipets  
Measure fluids in pipets  
Obtain meniscus

UNIT  
TASKS

CALCULATIONS  
Makes a weaker solution from  
a stock solution  
Work out formulas for solutions

SUBDIVISION  
UNIT  
TASKS

Solutions  
SOLUTE AND SOLVENT  
Name solutes  
Name solvents  
Makes a mixture  
Makes an emulsion

UNIT  
TASKS

WEIGHING  
Different scales  
Balance scale  
Weigh solutes

LABORATORY PROCEDURES (Continued)  
UNIT LEVEL

DIVISION  
SUBDIVISION  
UNIT  
TASKS

Laboratory Procedures  
Solutions

CALCULATIONS

Calculate % solutions  
Calculate solute needed  
Calculate solvent needed

UNIT  
TASKS

METHODS

Obtain meniscus with a solvent  
Make different % solutions  
Mix solutions - use of parafilm

SUBDIVISION  
UNIT  
TASKS

Equipment

MICROSCOPE

Demonstrate use of microscope  
Focus and observe prepared slides

UNIT  
TASKS

GLASSWARE

Identify volumetric glass  
Identify graduated glass  
Measure fluids - obtain meniscus

UNIT  
TASKS

BALANCE

Demonstrate working of balance  
Weigh solutes in grams

UNIT  
TASKS

URINOMETER UNIT

Define specific gravity  
Use urinometer to obtain  
specific gravity of milk,  
water and sugar solutions

UNIT  
TASKS

HEMACYTOMETER

Pipette milk solutions  
Pipette drop of blood  
count red and white blood cells

LABORATORY PROCEDURES (Continued)

UNIT LEVEL

DIVISION  
SUBDIVISION  
UNIT  
TASKS

Laboratory Procedures  
Specimen Analysis  
BLOOD

Type blood  
Identify white blood cells  
with microscope  
Identify red blood cells  
Dilute drop of blood with  
Hemacytometer  
Prepare blood slide  
Stain a blood slide  
Determine hemoglobin  
Obtain blood samples

UNIT  
TASKS

MICRO-ORGANISMS

Observe prepared slides  
Define micro-organisms to  
diseases

DIVISION  
SUBDIVISION  
UNIT  
TASKS

Laboratory Procedures  
Recording  
LABORATORY FORMS

Defines different lab forms  
Explains terminology of forms  
Fills in for specific tests  
sent to labs

UNIT  
TASKS

REQUISITIONS

Supply Orders  
Specimen identification  
Attaches form to specimen

SUBDIVISION  
UNIT  
TASKS

Record Keeping  
PATIENT FILES

Takes medical histories  
Takes patient's complaint  
Define what belongs in  
patient's files

UNIT  
TASKS

MEDICAL ETHICS

Defines legal responsibilities  
Role play awkward subjects  
Defines what cannot be  
discussed with patient by  
student



LABORATORY PROCEDURES (Continued)  
UNIT LEVEL

DIVISION  
SUBDIVISION  
UNIT  
TASKS

Medical Business Procedures  
Receiving Patients

PREPARATION OF PATIENT

Takes history - complaint  
Role play - introduction  
Takes height and weight  
- forms  
Helps undress and prepare  
for examination

UNIT  
TASKS

PERSONAL RELATIONSHIP

Introduces - role play  
Role play - putting a nervous  
patient at ease  
Role play - a child entering  
dentist's office for first  
time

SUBDIVISION  
UNIT  
TASKS

Supply Orders

INVENTORY

Takes inventory of unit  
Takes inventory of glassware

UNIT  
TASKS

ORDERING SUPPLIES

Orders different glassware  
from catalogues  
Fills in catalogue forms

DIAGNOSTIC PROCEDURES DIVISION  
SUBDIVISION LEVEL

DIVISION  
SUBDIVISION  
UNIT(S)

Diagnostic Procedures  
HOSPITAL DEPARTMENTS  
Organization  
Names and Function

SUBDIVISION  
UNIT(S)

CHRONIC & DISABLING DISEASE  
Body Systems  
Diagnosis, Treatment

SUBDIVISION  
UNIT(S)

COMMUNICABLE DISEASE  
Disease Process  
Diseases  
Diagnosis, Treatment

SUBDIVISION  
UNIT(S)

PERSONAL HEALTH  
Skin Care  
Eye Care  
Ear Care

DIVISION  
SUBDIVISION  
UNIT(S)

Physical and Occupational  
Therapy Procedures  
BODY MECHANICS  
Standing and Lifting  
Bending and Pushing

SUBDIVISION  
UNIT(S)

AMBULATION  
Crutches  
Wheelchair

SUBDIVISION  
UNIT(S)

DISABILITIES  
Paralysis  
Broken Bones

DIVISION  
SUBDIVISION  
UNIT  
TASKS

Diagnostic Procedures  
Hospital Departments  
ORGANIZATION  
Name personnel  
Name departments of hospital  
laboratories

DIAGNOSTIC PROCEDURES DIVISION  
UNIT LEVEL

DIVISION  
SUBDIVISION  
UNIT  
TASKS

Diagnostic Procedures  
Hospital Departments  
FUNCTION

Lists departments and functions  
of personnel  
Specialists in medicine

SUBDIVISION  
UNIT  
TASKS

Chronic and Disabling Disease  
BODY SYSTEMS

Lists organs of digestive system  
Lists organs of reproductive system  
Lists organs of excretory system  
Takes apart and identifies organs  
in torso  
Labels diagrams

UNIT  
TASKS

DISEASES, DIAGNOSIS, TREATMENT

Discusses ulcer, diabetes  
hypertension, kidney disease  
Discusses treatment of diseases  
Discusses symptoms of disease

SUBDIVISION  
UNIT  
TASKS

Communicable Disease  
DISEASE PROCESS

Defines different transmissions  
of disease  
Defines entry and exit  
in body of disease organisms

UNIT  
TASKS

DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT

Names symptoms  
Names diagnostic procedures  
Names treatments  
Discusses organisms, transmission,  
diagnosis and treatment of V.D.  
Collects newspaper articles - current  
Communicable diseases

SUBDIVISION  
UNIT  
TASKS

Personal Health  
SKIN CARE

Manicures and creams hands  
Defines layers of skin  
Defines skin problems

DIAGNOSTIC PROCEDURES (Continued)

UNIT LEVEL

DIVISION  
SUBDIVISION  
UNIT  
TASKS

Diagnostic Procedures

Personal Health

EYE

Defines how eye "sees"  
Tests for color blindness  
Tests pupil with penlight  
Tests for blind spot  
Tests vision using eye charts

UNIT  
TASKS

EAR

Defines how ear "hears"  
Tests using tuning fork  
Defines reasons for deafness

DIVISION  
SUBDIVISION  
UNIT  
TASKS

Physical and Occupational Therapy Procedures

Body Mechanics

LIFTING AND STANDING

Practice proper standing  
Practice proper lifting and  
moving objects and patients

UNIT  
TASKS

PUSHING AND BENDING

Logroll a patient  
Moving to wheelchair

SUBDIVISION  
UNIT  
TASKS

Ambulation

CRUTCHES

Stands with crutches  
Measure crutches  
Practice gaits with crutches  
Practice carrying articles

UNIT  
TASKS

WHEELCHAIR

Practice working of chair  
Practice turning  
Practice helping patient  
in and out of chair

SUBDIVISION  
UNIT  
TASKS

Disabilities

PARALYSIS

Define causes of paralysis  
Collect newspaper articles

PHYSICAL AND OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY PROCEDURES  
UNIT LEVEL

UNIT  
TASKS

BROKEN BONES

View X-Rays  
Apply arm slings  
Apply plastic leg and  
arm restraints

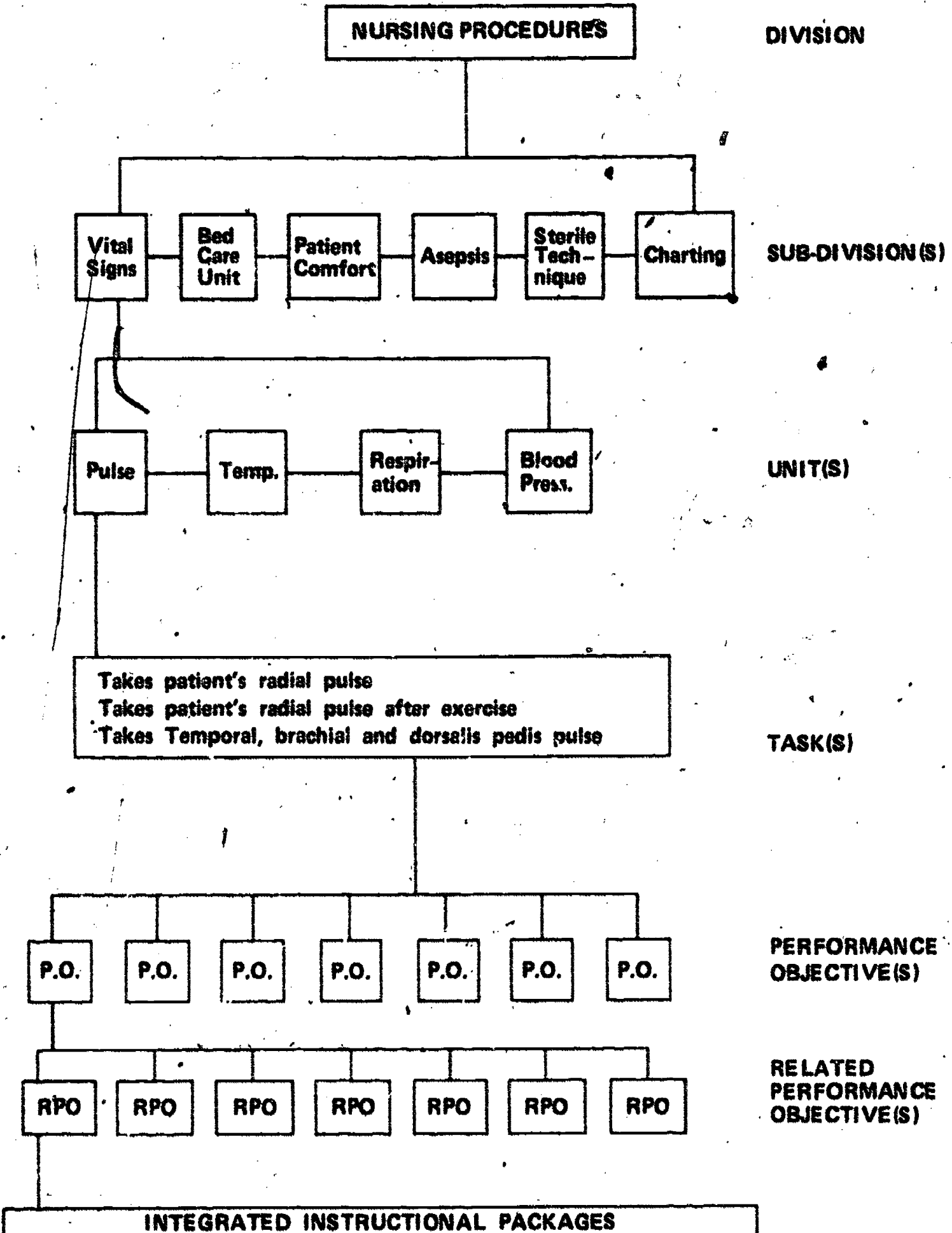
INTEGRATED INSTRUCTIONAL PACKAGE

BLOOD PRESSURE UNIT

18A

BLUE HILL REGIONAL CAREER EDUCATION CENTER

OCCUPATIONAL ANALYSIS (O.A.) SCHEMATIC  
of the HEALTH SERVICES CAREER CLUSTER



Cluster:	HEALTH SERVICE
Level:	1
O.A. Division:	NURSING PROCEDURES
O.A. Subdivision:	VITAL SIGNS
O.A. Unit:	BLOOD PRESSURE
Performance Objective No.	1

**Performance Objective:**

Given a mercury-gravity manometer the student will identify the scaled column of mercury, rubber tubing, cuff, rubber bulb and pressure release knob.

**Prerequisite Performance Objectives:**

Knowledge of circulation and action of heart as a pump  
Why blood pressure is important

**Resources:**

Mercury-gravity manometer

**Presentation Components:**

1. Display mercury gravity manometer
2. Hand out diagrams which have numbers next to parts
3. Label parts in diagram while pointing to display model



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Cluster:	HEALTH SERVICES
Level:	1
O.A. Division:	NURSING PROCEDURES
O.A. Subdivision:	VITAL SIGNS
O.A. Unit:	BLOOD PRESSURE
Performance Objective No.	2

**Performance Objective:**

Given a mercury manometer and teacher pointing to different readings on the mercury scale, the student will correctly identify the readings

**Prerequisite Performance Objectives:**

Student can demonstrate parts of a manometer  
Student can read a meniscus  
Student can read scale

**Resources:**

Mercury manometer

**Presentation Components:**

1. Display mercury manometer
2. Explain scale goes from 0-300 in 10's even numbers on one side - odd on the other
3. Draw diagram on board filling in with slashes
4. Point to different slashes and ask student the reading

Cluster:	HEALTH SERVICES
Level:	1
O.A. Division:	NURSING PROCEDURES
O.A. Subdivision:	VITAL SIGNS
O.A. Unit:	BLOOD PRESSURE
Performance Objective No.	3

**Performance Objective:**

The student shall locate their own brachial artery in left arm by using their two middle fingers of their right hand, while sitting down with left arm extended and supported by a firm surface.

**Prerequisite Performance Objectives:**

Has located radial pulse  
Knows significance of pulse in the circulatory system

**Resources:**

Student - chair and table  
Arm diagram & pull out charts which show where brachial artery is found under the skin

**Presentation Components:**

1. Student sitting  
Left arm extended and supported on table
2. Take middle two fingers of right hand  
pulpate and feel for brachial pulse in left inside elbow

Cluster:

HEALTH SERVICES

Level:

1

O.A. Division:

NURSING PROCEDURES

O.A. Subdivision:

VITAL SIGNS

O.A. Unit:

BLOOD PRESSURE

Performance  
Objective No.

4

**Performance Objective:**

Given a blood pressure cuff and partner, the student will apply the cuff to the upper left arm of partner who is sitting with their left arm extended and supported by a firm surface

**Prerequisite Performance Objectives:**

Student can demonstrate parts of manometer  
Student can take out manometer from its casing  
Has observed a demonstration of applying cuff

**Resources:**

Mercury gravity manometer  
table and chair  
partner

**Presentation Components:**

1. Place partner in sitting position with sleeves rolled up
2. Extend their left arm on table
3. Unfold cuff
4. Place one end of cuff one inch above the elbow
5. Wrap cuff around arm

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Level:	1
O.A. Division:	NURSING PROCEDURES
O.A. Subdivision:	VITAL SIGNS
O.A. Unit:	BLOOD PRESSURE
Performance Objective No.	5

**Performance Objective:**

Given a person sitting with mercury manometer cuff applied to upper left arm, the student shall locate the left brachial artery, and place stethoscope over this artery

**Prerequisite Performance Objectives:**

Can place person in correct position  
Can use and clean a stethoscope  
Has located a radial pulse  
Knows significance of pulse and can locate brachial pulse

**Resources:**

Partner  
Table and chair  
Manometer  
Stethoscope

**Presentation Components:**

1. Place person in correct position
2. Apply cuff to upper left arm
3. Take two fingers of right hand and palpate the left elbow until feel the pulse of brachial artery
4. Place stethoscope over area where the brachial pulse was felt

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Level:	1
O.A. Division:	NURSING PROCEDURES
O.A. Subdivision:	VITAL SIGNS
O.A. Unit:	BLOOD PRESSURE
Performance Objective No.	6

**Performance Objective:**

Given the mercury manometer with cuff applied to upper left arm of another student who is in correct sitting position with arm extended and supported, the student will pump air into the cuff until the mercury reading is 140 mm HG, and then promptly release the pressure.

**Prerequisite Performance Objectives:**

Demonstration  
Knows how to apply cuff  
Knows how to read mercury scale  
Knows how to pump air in cuff  
and release pressure

**Resources:**

Two students  
Chair and table  
Mercury Manometer

**Presentation Components:**

1. Position student
2. Apply cuff
3. Make sure release knob is closed
4. Pump air with rubber bulb into cuff
5. Watch until mercury reads 140 mm
6. Turn release knob - - therefore releasing air out of cuff

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Level:	1
O.A. Division:	NURSING PROCEDURES
O.A. Subdivision:	VITAL SIGNS
O.A. Unit:	BLOOD PRESSURE
Performance Objective No.	7

**Performance Objective:**

Given a mercury manometer and patient seated, the student will record the systolic and diastolic blood pressure accurately.

**Prerequisite Performance Objectives:**

1. Has cleaned ear plugs of stethoscope
2. Knows parts of mercury manometer
3. Has listened to heartbeat with stethoscope
4. Can locate brachial artery
5. Has taken readings on scale
6. Has inflated and deflated cuff using pressure release knob

**Resources:**

Partner  
Table and chair  
Mercury manometer  
Stethoscope  
Cotton and alcohol

**Presentation Components:**

1. Place partner in sitting position, left arm extended resting on table, sleeve rolled up
2. Apply cuff
3. Locate left brachial artery
4. Place stethoscope over artery
5. Inflate cuff to 140 mm HG
6. Deflate cuff slowly until hear heartbeat first time - record reading
7. Continue to deflate cuff while hearing heartbeat
8. Record reading last time heartbeat heard

RELATED CONCEPTS

<p>MATH</p> <p>Metric System Millimeters of HG</p>	<p>ENGLISH.</p> <p><u>Vocabulary</u></p> <p>Systolic Diastolic Mercury Manometer Stethoscope Brachial</p>
<p>SCIENCE</p> <p>Circulation - systolic &amp; diastolic pressure heart as a pump blood as a transportation system components of blood</p>	<p>SOCIAL STUDIES</p> <p>Changes in blood pressure due to emotional response</p>

## RELATED PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVE UNITS

The preceding Career Development Unit and Related Concepts form the basis for the development of Related Performance Objective Units. The process involves a dialogue between the laboratory (career) teacher and academic teachers on the relevant theoretical concepts and activities in order to determine the necessary integrated academic and laboratory instruction.



Cluster:	HEALTH SERVICES
Level:	CD I
O.A. Division:	NURSING PROCEDURES
O.A. Subdivision:	VITAL SIGNS
Related Unit:	CIRCULATION
Related Performance Objective No.	1
Related Area	SCIENCE Math-Science-Other

**Related Performance Objective:**

Given a slide and a microscope with the illuminator turned off, the diaphragm improperly set, the objective out of place, and a dirty ocular, the student should be able to place the microscope in operational condition and properly focus on the slide on low power

**Prerequisite Performance Objectives:**

Ability to identify the various major parts of the microscope  
 Ability to turn on the illuminator  
 Ability to properly set the diaphragm  
 Ability to clean the ocular  
 Ability to focus the objective

**Resources:**

Microscope, lens paper, lens cleaner, transparency of microscope

**Instructional Presentation Components:**

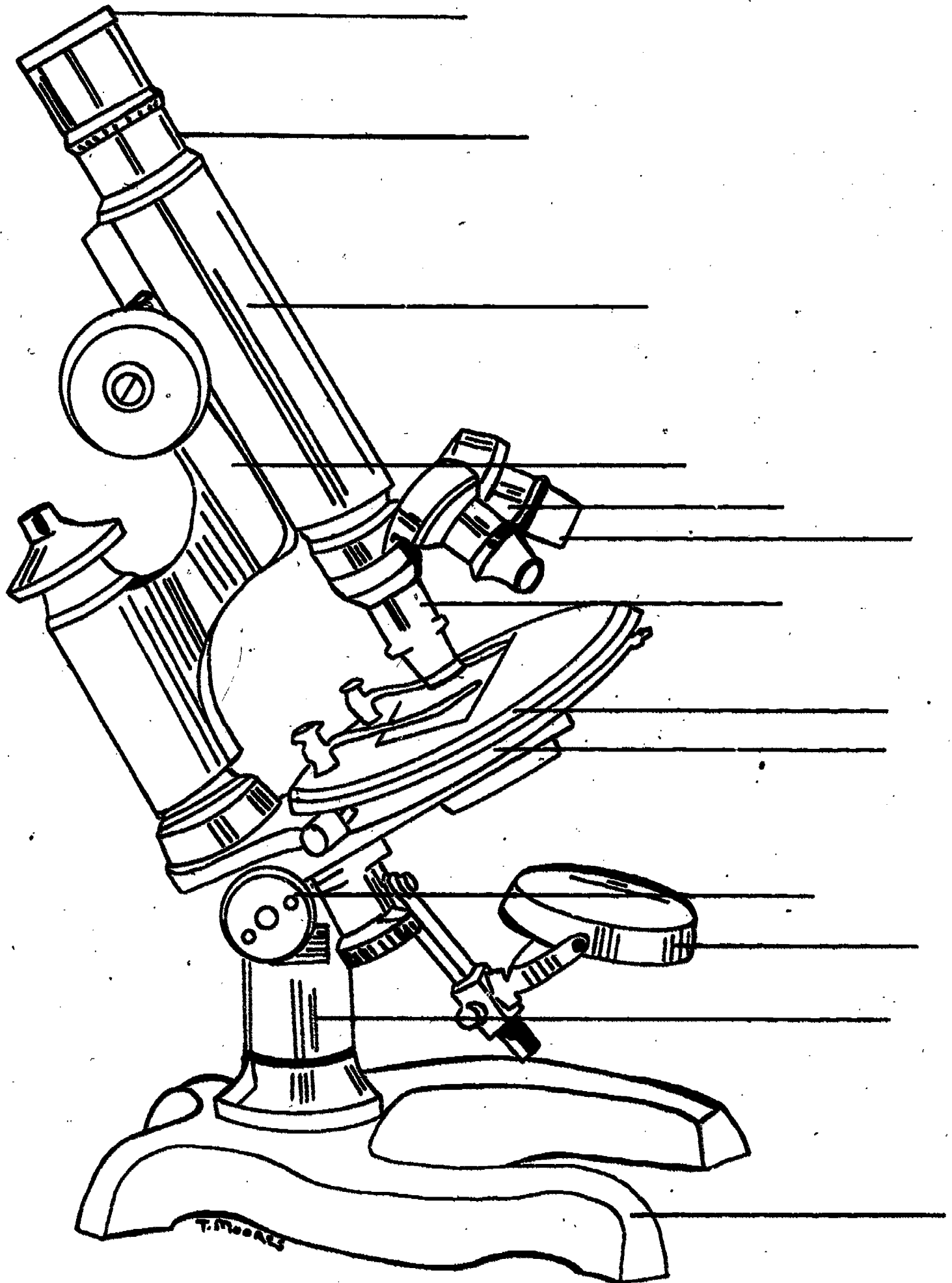
Explain how to do above using transparency of microscope  
 Identify all major parts of microscope  
 Have students identify each part and explain function  
 Discuss how to make microscope operational and how to focus

**Student Application Components:**

The student will be able to describe the operational procedures (with 85% accuracy)

to identify each part and explain each function  
 to prepare microscope for operation and focus

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I.D.#Sc203

Cluster:

HEALTH SERVICES

Level:

CD 1

O.A.Division:

NURSING PROCEDURES

O.A. Subdivision:

VITAL SIGNS

Related Unit:

CIRCULATION

Related Performance  
Objective No.:

2

Related Area

SCIENCE  
Math-Science-Other

**Related Performance Objective:**

Given a microscope, a live frog, and a frog holder, the student with a light source will be able to observe the flow of blood through the veins in the web of a frog's foot

**Prerequisite Performance Objective:**

Proper use of the microscope

**Resources:**

Microscope with light source, live frog, frog holder

**Presentation Components:**

1. Explain how to use equipment
2. Have students do above

Circulation in Frog's Leg

1. Give directions for placing frog on frogholder
2. Give directions for placing frog holder on microscope
3. Give directions for observing circulation along with questions to be answered based on observations

	I.D. #Sc204
Cluster:	HEALTH SERVICES
Level:	CD 1
O.A. Division:	NURSING PROCEDURES
O.A. Subdivision:	VITAL SIGNS
Related Unit:	CIRCULATION
Related Performance Objective No.:	3
Related Area:	SCIENCE <del>Math-Science-Other</del>

**Related Performance Objective:**

Given a sample of the solid components of human blood, a microscope, and a glass slide student will identify the various cells present

**Prerequisite Performance Objectives:**

Knowledge of the types of blood cells.  
Know how to properly use microscope

**Resources:**

Blood cells, microscope, glass slide, color chart showing components of blood

**Presentation Components:**

1. Discuss the structure of blood using color chart

	I.D. #Sc202
Cluster:	HEALTH SERVICES
Level:	CD I
O.A. Division:	NURSING PROCEDURES
O.A. Subdivision:	VITAL SIGNS
Related Unit:	CIRCULATION
Related Performance Objective No.	4
Related Area:	SCIENCE Math-Science-Other

**Related Performance Objective:**

Given a sample of whole blood in a centrifuge tube and a centrifuge the student should be able to demonstrate the blood is a fluid composed of a solid and liquid portion

**Prerequisite Performance Objectives:**

Ability to use centrifuge

**Resources:**

Centrifuge, centrifuge tubes, sample whole blood

**Presentation Components:**

1. Discuss the composition of blood
2. Demonstrate how to use Centrifuge
3. Have students spin down blood sample

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LAB ACTIVITY OBSERVING HUMAN BLOOD CELLS

1. Give directions for preparing and staining slide
2. Give directions for observing cells
3. Have student draw cells observed

Cluster:

I.D.#Sc201

HEALTH SERVICES

Level:

CD 1

O.A. Division:

NURSING PROCEDURES

O.A. Subdivision:

VITAL SIGNS

Related Unit:

CIRCULATION

Related Performance  
Objective No.

6

Related Area

SCIENCE  
Math-Science-Other

**Related Performance Objective:**

Given a diagram of the heart, the student should be able to label the parts of the heart and write a brief description of its function

**Prerequisite Performance Objectives:**

Knowledge of the functions of the parts of the heart  
Ability to locate parts of heart

**Resources:**

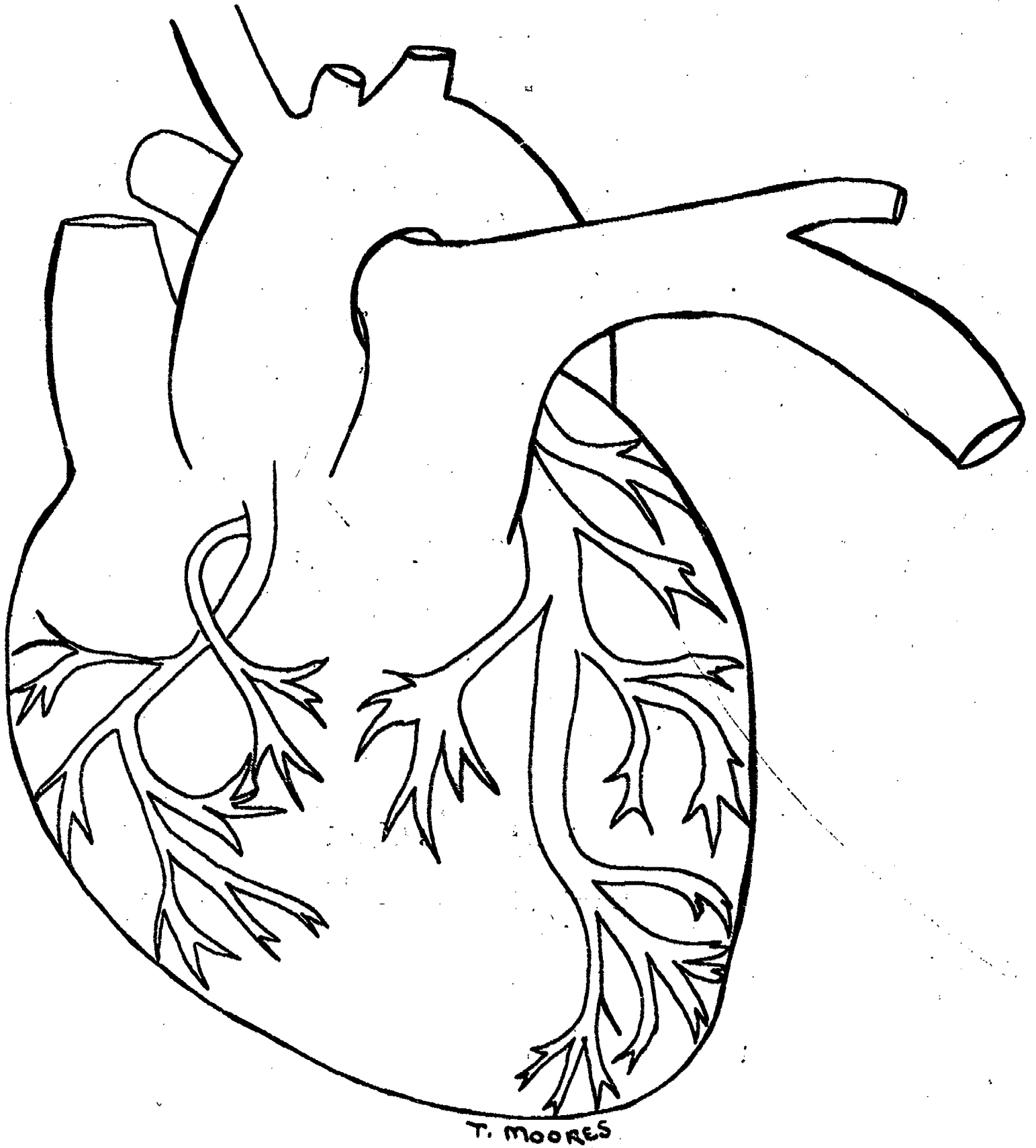
Transparency of heart  
Heart Model  
Worksheet

**Presentation Components:**

1. Explain flow of blood through heart using transparency
2. Stress fact that valves closing & force of heart contracting creates pressure
3. Demonstrate using heart model



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I.D.#Sc99

Cluster:

HEALTH SERVICES

Level:

CD I

O.A. Division:

NURSING PROCEDURES

O.A. Subdivision:

VITAL SIGNS

Related Unit:

CIRCULATION

Related Performance  
Objective No.

7

Related Area

SCIENCE  
Math-Science-Other

**Related Performance Objective:**

Given a diagram of the human heart the student will trace the flow of blood from the right auricle through the circulatory system and back to the right auricle using arrows.

**Prerequisite Performance Objectives:**

Path of blood through circulatory system

**Resources:**

Diagram of Circulatory System  
Transparency as above

**Presentation Components:**

1. Show transparency, trace path of blood
2. Pass out sheets - have students fill in

I.D.#ScMA304

Cluster:

HEALTH SERVICE

Level:

CD I

O.A. Division:

NURSING PROCEDURES

O.A. Subdivision:

BLOOD PRESSURE

Related Unit:

SCALES

Related Performance  
Objective No.

1

Related Area

MATHEMATICS  
Math-Science-Other

**Related Performance Objective:**

Given various types of scales, the student will properly read a linear scale to the nearest graduation

**Prerequisite Performance Objectives:**

Understanding of fractions and decimal values

**Resources:**

Ruler, tape, electronic meters, pressure gauges, architects rule, thermometer, etc.

**Presentation Components:**

1. Find and name the readings on various linear scales
2. (manometer for systolic and diastolic blood pressure measurements)

Cluster:

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HEALTH SERVICES

Level:

CD 1

O.A. Division:

NURSING PROCEDURES

O.A. Subdivision:

BLOOD PRESSURE

Related Unit:

SCALES

Related Performance  
Objective No.

2

Related Area:

MATHEMATICS  
Math-Science-Other

**Related Performance Objective:**

The student shall relate the meaning of prefixes used  
in the metric system.

**Prerequisite Performance Objectives:**

Decimal place value

**Resources:**

A metric measurement using prefix

**Presentation Components:**

Decimal place value chart with appropriate  
prefixes marked

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1. These readings were recorded during an examination:

height - 5' 7"

weight - 146 lbs.

temperature - 98.9°f

Convert these readings to metric units

2. Given a blood pressure reading of 136/92, determine the pulse rate

Answer:  $136 - 92 = 44$

Cluster:

I.D.MA101

HEALTH SERVICES

Level:

CD I

O.A. Division:

NURSING PROCEDURES

O.A. Subdivision:

BLOOD PRESSURE

Related Unit:

VOCABULARY

Related Performance  
Objective No.

Related Area:

ENGLISH  
Math-Science-Other

**Related Performance Objective:**

The student shall be able to spell, define and use the given vocabulary words per unit correctly in a complete sentence

**Prerequisite Performance Objectives:**

Student has learned spellings  
Student has learned definitions

**Resources:**

Vocabulary list of Given Unit

**Presentation Components:**

1. Teacher will be supplied with vocabulary list from C.D. teacher
2. Vocabulary list will be distributed to students
3. Students will copy words correctly in notebook
4. Students will copy definitions into notebook
5. Teacher and students will discuss the definitions of the vocabulary words
6. Students will use vocabulary words in a sentence which reflects the proper contextual definition

	I.D.#102
Cluster:	HEALTH SERVICES
Level:	CD I
O.A. Division:	NURSING PROCEDURES
O.A. Subdivision:	ORAL COMMUNICATION
Related Unit:	ORAL DEMONSTRATION
Related Performance Objective No.	2
Related Area:	ENGLISH Math-Science-Other

**Related Performance Objective:**

The student shall be able to present an oral demonstration speech of five minutes in length using an implement indigenous to a chosen field

**Prerequisite Performance Objectives:**

Two minute oral presentation.  
Suitable Vocabulary  
Outline

**Resources:**

Source applicable for demonstrating purposes possibly Career Laboratory Facilities ..

**Presentation Components:**

1. Student will be given examples of demonstration techniques
2. Teacher will present an oral demonstration (i.e. tape recorder)
3. Student will prepare an outline of his speech

Cluster:	HEALTH SERVICES
Level:	CD I
O.A. Division:	NURSING PROCEDURES
O.A. Subdivision:	BLOOD PRESSURE
Related Unit:	VOCABULARY
Related Performance Objective No.	1
Related Area	LANGUAGE Math-Science-Other

**Related Performance Objective:**

The student will be able to communicate with the person in the foreign language in order to take his blood pressure

**Prerequisite Performance Objectives:**

Vocabulary for parts of the body  
Basic greetings

**Resources:**

Manometer

**Presentation Components:**

1. Teacher presents model sentences
2. Student imitates teacher
3. Role-playing



HEALTH SERVICE, BLOOD PRESSURE, FOREIGN LANGUAGE, VOCABULARY

UNIT: BLOOD PRESSURE

<u>English</u>	<u>French</u>	<u>Spanish</u>
<u>Sit up</u>	<u>Mettez-vous debout</u>	<u>Levántese</u>
<u>Put your arm on the bed</u>	<u>Mettez le bras sur</u> <u>le lit</u>	<u>Ponga el brazo en la</u> <u>cama</u>
<u>Put your arm on the table</u>	<u>Mettez le bras sur la</u> <u>table</u>	<u>Ponga el brazo en la</u> <u>mesa</u>
<u>I am going to take your</u> <u>blood pressure</u>	<u>Je vais vous prendre la</u> <u>tension</u>	<u>Voy a tomar la presión</u> <u>arterial</u>

	I.D.#124
Cluster:	HEALTH SERVICES
Level:	CD 1
O.A. Division:	NURSING PROCEDURES
O.A. Subdivision:	VITAL SIGNS
Related Unit:	BLOOD PRESSURE
Related Performance Objective No.	1
Related Area	SOCIAL STUDIES Math-Science-Other

**Related Performance Objective:**

Given the basic knowledge of what vital signs are, the student will define the terms: biological, frustration, fear, emotions, stress, environment, heredity, group and parental pressure and society

**Prerequisite Performance Objectives:**

None

**Resources:**

1. Webster's dictionary
2. Psychology, Richard L. Morgan,  
self-instruction unit 7 on emotions  
unit 8 on stress  
unit 23 on child development.  
unit 22 on individuals in a group
3. Class discussions & teacher information

**Presentation Components:**

1. Students will use resources available to define terms given
2. Students will write the definitions in their notebooks in the vital signs section

Cluster:	HEALTH SERVICES
Level:	CD 1
O.A. Division:	NURSING PROCEDURES
O.A. Subdivision:	VITAL SIGNS
Related Unit:	BLOOD PRESSURE
Related Performance Objective No.	2
Related Area:	SOCIAL STUDIES Math-Science-Other

**Related Performance Objective:**

Given a variety of resource materials, the student will list the given terms under the appropriate categories; physical, psychological and environmental

**Prerequisite Performance Objectives:**

Defining terms; biological; frustration; group and parent pressure; fear; stress; environment; heredity; and society

**Resources:**

RPO #1  
Teacher Information

**Presentation Components:**

Students will draw a chart with the three category headings listed above and write in the proper terms under the proper category. This is to be kept in student's notebooks under the vital signs section.

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Cluster:

HEALTH SERVICES

Level:

CD 1

O.A. Division:

NURSING PROCEDURES

O.A. Subdivision:

VITAL SIGNS

Related Unit:

BLOOD PRESSURE

Related Performance  
Objective No.

3

Related Area

SOCIAL STUDIES  
Math-Science-Other

**Related Performance Objective:**

Given a variety of resource materials the student will list physical, psychological and environmental factors that affect vital signs

**Prerequisite Performance Objectives:**

1. Knowledge of what physical, psychological and environmental factors exist

**Resources:**

RPO X's 1 & 2

**Representation Components:**

1. Student will use resource materials available
2. List compiled in students notebooks

Cluster:

HEALTH SERVICES

Level:

CD I

O.A. Division:

NURSING PROCEDURES

O.A. Subdivision:

VITAL SIGNS

Related Unit:

BLOOD PRESSURE

Related Performance  
Objective No.

4

Related Area

SOCIAL STUDIES  
Math-Science=Other

**Related Performance Objective:**

Given a list of factors that affect vital signs, students will discuss factors and develop a combined list

**Prerequisite Performance Objectives:**

Student lists of factors that they have compiled

**Resources:**

None

**Presentation Components:**

Class discussion led by teacher

I.D.#128

Cluster:

HEALTH SERVICES

Level:

CD 1

O.A. Division:

NURSING PROCEDURES

O.A. Subdivision:

VITAL SIGNS

Related Unit:

BLOOD PRESSURE

Related Performance  
Objective No.

5

Related Area:

SOCIAL STUDIES  
Math-Science-Other

**Related Performance Objective:**

Given a sample experiment, the students will design an experiment to determine the effects of specific factors on vital signs

**Prerequisite Performance Objectives:**

The combined list of factors

**Resources:**

Sample experiment

**Instructional Components:**

1. Students will observe experiment
2. Students will work in small groups working on a variety of experiments

I.D.#129

Cluster:

HEALTH SERVICES

Level:

CD 1

O.A. Division:

NURSING PROCEDURES

O.A. Subdivision:

VITAL SIGNS

Related Unit:

BLOOD PRESSURE

Related Performance  
Objective No.

6

Related Area

SOCIAL STUDIES  
Math-Science-Other

**Related Performance Objective:**

Given a specific experimental design the students will conduct an experiment demonstrating the effects of one factor on vital signs

**Prerequisite Performance Objectives:**

Knowledge of the experimental design

**Resources:**

Sample experimental design

**Presentation Components:**

Experimenters and subjects in groups

I.D. #130

Cluster:

HEALTH SERVICES

Level:

CD 1

O.A. Division:

NURSING PROCEDURES

O.A.Subdivision:

VITAL SIGNS

Related Unit:

BLOOD PRESSURE

Related Performance  
Objective No.

7

Related Area

SOCIAL STUDIES  
Math-Science-Other

**Related Performance Objective:**

Having conducted the experiment and with knowledge of how to write a short summary each group will prepare a short summary describing the results of the experiment

**Prerequisite Performance Objectives:**

The experiment

**Resources:**

**Representation Components:**

Written or typed out to be used in class discussions



	I.D.#131
Cluster:	HEALTH SERVICES
Level:	CD I
O.A. Division:	NURSING PROCEDURES
O.A. Subdivision:	VITAL SIGNS
Related Unit:	BLOOD PRESSURE
Related Performance Objective No.	8
Related Area	SOCIAL STUDIES Math-Science-Other

**Related Performance Objective:**

Given the results of an experiment each group will present the results of their findings to the class in a panel discussion

**Prerequisite Performance Objectives:**

Experiment and results

**Resources:**

Summary of the results

**Presentation Components**

# **Volumes of Related Interest**

**I - The Satellite Plan**

## **Sample Curricula for a Cluster of Career Development Options**

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**III - Electro Lab**

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**VII - Construction**

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