

POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA IN NURSING (MEDICAL AND SURGICAL NURSING)

Programme Learning Outcomes

Programme Learning Outcomes for Postgraduate Diploma in Nursing (Medical and Surgical Nursing) (NFQ Level 9, Major Award)

On successful completion of this programme, students should be able to:

- Enhance medical and surgical nursing practice through the application of well-assimilated theoretical, practical and policy knowledge and clinical skills;
- Exercise accountability within the clinical, ethical and professional boundaries of the role of medical and surgical nursing;
- Critically appraise and evaluate current research evidence and best practice for medical and surgical nursing and its implications for practice;
- Evaluate the effectiveness of individual outcomes against specialist intervention plans for individuals and their families in medical and surgical nursing practice;
- Synthesise health related issues for the development of intervention/ service responses appropriate to the needs of individuals and their families in medical and surgical nursing practice;
- Contribute as a learned member of the multidisciplinary team in the delivery of quality healthcare for individuals and families within the context of medical and surgical nursing;
- Act as a means of professional support, educator and role model for the provision of life-long learning, to ensure ongoing professional development.