AWHONN’S INTERMEDIATE FETAL MONITORING COURSE (IFMC)
2016

AWHONN’s Intermediate Fetal Monitoring Course (IFMC) is a 2-day offering focusing on the application of essential fetal monitoring knowledge and skills in intrapartum nursing practice. The Joint Commission requires that staff demonstrate knowledge/skills appropriate to their assigned responsibilities, which involves more than on-the-job training. They also require documentation of those skills by a qualified professional. AWHONN’s IFMC provides both knowledge and hands-on experience.

Purpose
To promote integration of knowledge and skills essential to nursing assessment, promotion, and evaluation of fetal well being during labor.

Description
This 2-day workshop consists of lecture, hands-on skills station modules, and testing. It is offered in a standardized format that can be used as a competency assessment to validate knowledge and skills.

The Didactic Session – participants analyze case scenarios utilizing key physiologic principles, interpret tracings, identify nursing interventions and demonstrate verbal and written communication skills.

The Skill Sessions – offer demonstration, practice and testing of the following skills: auscultation, performing Leopold’s Maneuvers, placement of an intrauterine pressure catheter and spiral electrode, interpretation of tracings, identification of indicated nursing interventions, communication and documentation. During the skill sessions, participants benefit from interactive instruction provided through a 1:6 teacher-to-student ratio.

Objectives
At the conclusion of this workshop, the participant should be able to:

- Demonstrate the decision-making process necessary for the proper selection and verification of fetal heart monitoring (FHM) techniques;
- Analyze fetal heart rate patterns, uterine activity, and their implications for fetal well-being;
- Correlate indicated clinical interventions with related maternal-fetal physiology;
- Describe the role and responsibility of the professional nurse in the use of FHM in intrapartum care;
- Simulate the psychomotor skills used in FHM; and
- Communicate verbal and written data about patient status and verify accountability.

Expected Level of Learner

The IFMC builds on the knowledge and skills of experienced nurses. It is designed for RN’s with close to one year of clinical nursing experience using fetal heart monitoring technology in an intrapartum setting. Nurses with other clinical experiences such as antepartum, postpartum, nursery or with limited intrapartum care may need additional didactic and/or clinical experience before class to gain the required knowledge base. Nurses are expected to assess their own eligibility to participate and if uncertain should discuss their concerns with the course facilitator before registering.

Participants must read AWHONN’s *Fetal Heart Monitoring Principles and Practices, most current edition*, in preparation for the workshop and bring their IFMC Student Packet to class. You cannot take this class unless you bring the original IFMC Student Packet with you.

Continuing Education Credit

- Participants earn 18 contact hours of continuing education credit upon successful completion of the IFMC.
- Successful completion means that the participant attended the full workshop and passed all skill stations and written tests.
No partial credit will be awarded.
AWHONN is accredited as a provider of continuing education in nursing by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation. AWHONN holds California BRN Provider Number CEP 00580 and Alabama #ABNP 0058.

**Manuals**

Participants must read AWHONN's *Fetal Heart Monitoring Principles and Practices, most current edition*, before the class and bring an original Intermediate Course Student Packet to class. You cannot take this class unless you bring the complete original IFMC Student Packet with you. You may purchase both by contacting Kendall Hunt Publishing Co. at 1-800-228-0810. The cost of the Intermediate Course Student Packet is $110; the cost of the most current print edition of FHM Principles & Practices Textbook is $74.95 for AWHONN non-members; $59.95 for AWHONN members or you may purchase the e-version for $34.96 for 1 year – total $144.96 to $484.95 + tax & shipping (must provide course # & date when placing order). It takes about 7 days to receive the order. As soon as your e-mail registration is received, you will be given your course number to order your manuals. Payment can be made to Kendall Hunt via MasterCard, Visa or American Express.

**Time:** Sign-in 0730 – 0800; Instruction 0800 - 1600 each day.

**Location:** The Woman’s Hospital of Texas – directions included in the instruction letter.

**Registration Fee & Course Materials:**

* HACPP Members: $90 reg fee paid to HACPP + student packet purchased from Kendall Hunt for $110 & either the most current print edition of FHM Principles & Practices Textbook ($74.95 AWHONN non-member; $59.95 AWHONN member) or the e-version ($34.96 for 1 year) – total for materials $144.96 to $484.95 + tax & shipping

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Continental Breakfast and afternoon Cookie Break included: **Lunch is on your own**

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2016 Registration Form

Contact Susan Reynolds RN, Retired at reynose0@gmail.com for instructions as to where to send check and registration form

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