

Radiation oncology nursing knowledge and skills learning pathway

Patient education



Developing

Consolidating

Competent

Knowledge

1.1 Requires assistance to identify the role, responsibilities and tasks required by each member of the radiation oncology team to deliver patient education.

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1.2 Identifies planning as a stage in conducting an education session.

1.2 Describes the purpose of planning for an education session.

1.2 Independently describes the purpose of planning for an education session and what is involved.

1.3 Requires assistance to identify suitable education materials and supportive services. Preliminary consideration of patient and treatment related factors when determining suitability.

1.3 Identifies some suitable education materials and supportive services available. Some consideration of patient and treatment related factors when determining suitability.

1.3 Independently identifies a comprehensive range of available suitable education materials and supportive services. Considers patient and treatment related factors when determining suitability.

1.4 Requires assistance to identify methods and resources for assessing patient/carer/family education needs, goals and priorities.

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1.4 Independently outlines methods and resources for assessing patient/carer/family education needs, goals and priorities.

1.5 Requires assistance to identify the appropriate time points for patient education.

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1.5 Independently identifies appropriate time points for patient education and provides a rationale.

1.6 Requires assistance to determine appropriate information to be included in education session. Shows preliminary consideration of education time point, treatment site, treatment intent and patient factors. Defines:

- radiation therapy
- treatment related side effects
- symptom management
- supportive services/referrals

1.6 Identifies and explains some appropriate information to be included in education session. Shows some consideration of education time point, treatment site, treatment intent and patient factors. Describes:

- radiation therapy
- treatment related side effects
- symptom management
- supportive services/referrals

1.6 Identifies and explains appropriate information to be included in education session. Considers education time point, treatment site, treatment intent and patient factors. Includes an accurate discussion of:

- radiation therapy
- treatment related side effects
- symptom management
- supportive services/referrals

1.7 Requires assistance to identify documentation requirements for education session.

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1.7 Independently explains documentation requirements for education session.

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Skills

1.1 Requires assistance to practice within professional boundaries, organisational role descriptions and standards of care.

1.2 Requires assistance to plan for education session. Accesses and collects some appropriate resources. Preliminary consideration of:

- diagnosis, treatment site and treatment intent
- treatment plan
- health literacy, language, psychosocial and cultural considerations

1.3 Requires assistance to assess patients/carers/families understanding of:

- radiation therapy
- side effects
- symptom and treatment related side effect management

1.4 Requires assistance to assess and identify patient/carers/families education goals and priorities.

1.5 Requires assistance to provide appropriate education to patients/carers/family members. Contributes a preliminary discussion of:

- radiation therapy treatment
 - treatment site
 - technique
 - intent
 - simulation and/or treatment processes
- treatment related side effects
 - clinical presentation
 - time to presentation
- symptom and treatment related side effects management
 - self management
 - targeted interventions
- referrals to other health professionals/support and survivorship groups

1.6 Requires assistance to document the education session.

1.7 Requires assistance to identify if multiple education sessions are required according to patient needs.

1.1 Requires minimal assistance to practice within professional boundaries, organisational role descriptions and standards of care.

1.2 Requires minimal assistance to plan for education session. Accesses and collects majority of appropriate resources available. Shows evidence of consideration of:

- diagnosis, treatment site and treatment intent
- treatment plan
- health literacy, language, psychosocial and cultural considerations

1.3 Requires minimal assistance to assess patients/carers/families understanding of:

- radiation therapy
- side effects
- symptom and treatment related side effect management

1.4 Requires minimal assistance to assess and identify patient/carers/families education goals and priorities.

1.5 Requires minimal assistance to provide appropriate education to patients/carers/family members. Provides adequate explanation of:

- radiation therapy treatment
 - treatment site
 - technique
 - intent
 - simulation and/or treatment processes
- treatment related side effects
 - clinical presentation
 - time to presentation
- symptom and treatment related side effects management
 - self management
 - targeted interventions
- referrals to other health professionals/support and survivorship groups

1.6 Requires minimal assistance to document the education session.

1.7 May require some assistance to identify that multiple sessions are required according to patient needs.

1.1 Practices within professional boundaries, organisational role descriptions and standards of care.

1.2 Correctly plans for education session. Independently accesses and collects appropriate resources based on:

- diagnosis, treatment site and treatment intent
- treatment plan
- health literacy, language, psychosocial and cultural considerations

1.3 Independently assesses patients/carers/families understanding of:

- radiation therapy treatment
- treatment related side effects
- symptom and treatment related side effect management

1.4 Independently assesses and identifies patient/carers/families education goals and priorities.

1.5 Independently provides appropriate education to patients/carers/family members on. Contributes comprehensive and accurate discussion of:

- radiation therapy treatment
 - treatment site
 - technique
 - intent
 - simulation and/or treatment processes
- treatment related side effects
 - clinical presentation
 - time to presentation
- symptom and treatment related side effects management
 - self management
 - targeted interventions
- referrals to other health professionals/support and survivorship groups

1.6 Independently and accurately documents the education session.

1.7 Independently identifies where multiple session are required according to patient needs.