NOVA COLLEGE-WIDE COURSE CONTENT SUMMARY HIM 100 - INTRODUCTION TO THE HEALTH CARE DELIVERY SYSTEM (1 CR.)

Course Description

Introduces the organization of the health care delivery system with emphasis on types of providers and the role that accrediting and licensing bodies play in the delivery of health care. Lecture I hour per week.

General Course Purpose

The purpose of this course is to give the student an introduction to the health care field with emphasis on the organizational structure of health institutions such as hospitals, HMO's, ambulatory surgi-centers, care continuums and long term care facilities. In addition, the student will learn of the external constraints placed on these institutions by federal, state and local agencies, as well as private accrediting bodies. The role of the health record as documentary evidence in this process will be discussed.

Course Objectives

The student will be able to:

- complete written assignments which demonstrate an awareness of current trends in health care delivery and their effects upon health record practice.
- utilize current references in health information management to complete written assignments.

Major Topics to be Included

- a. overview of the Health Care Delivery System
- b. health Occupations and Certification
- c. regulation of Health Care Delivery