RCTC PROGRAM PLAN

CANCER REGISTRY MANAGEMENT
Certificate

I. PROGRAM CORE REQUIREMENTS..26 CREDITS

HIMC 2110, Cancer Registry Organization and Management, 3 cr
HIMC 2115, Cancer Registry Operations, 3 cr
HIMC 2120, Cancer Disease, Coding, and Staging, 4 cr
HIMC 2125, Oncology Treatment and Coding, 4 cr
HIMC 2130, Abstracting Methods, 4 cr
HIMC 2135, Follow-up, Data Quality, and Utilization, 4 cr
HIMC 2140, Professional Practice/Clinical Practicum, 4 cr

TOTAL ....26 CREDITS

PROGRAM OUTCOMES:
Upon completion of the Cancer Registry Management program at RCTC, students will achieve the following outcomes:

- Identify reportable cancer cases, code and stage primary site, histology, and extent of disease.
- Abstract patient cancer data while monitoring timeliness, completeness, and accuracy of data.
- Support cancer registry organization and structure while assuring patient privacy, data integrity, and security.
- Compare and differentiate between organizations involved in collecting data and those involved in creating data standards.
- Perform cancer patient follow-up activities to identify second primaries, recurrence, and spread of disease.
- Take part in the role of reporting cancer data to health care officials, medical staff, epidemiologists, and regulatory organizations for use in cancer prevention and control.

ADDITIONAL NOTES:
Program Accreditation: Rochester Community and Technical College is accredited by the National Cancer Registrars Association (NCRA).

Upon graduation, students are eligible to apply to take the National Cancer Registrars Association exam to become an Oncology Data Specialist (ODS).

PROGRAM ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS:
To be admitted to the program, students must meet admission criteria and complete two (2) applications and return them to RCTC Admissions and Records:
- RCTC Application for admission: https://www.rctc.edu/admissions
- Program Application: https://www.rctc.edu/program/crm/admission/
- Admission criteria: minimum of an Associate degree or 60 college credits with required prerequisite courses: Medical Terminology for Health Professions (HCOP 1620), Computerized Health Information (HIMC 1850), and one of the following:

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- o Two semesters of Anatomy and Physiology (BIOL 1217 and BIOL 1218) OR
- o One semester of Anatomy and Physiology (BIOL 1107), Human Diseases (pathophysiology) (HIMC 2600), and Pharmacology (HIMC 2610).

Notice of National Criminal Background Check Requirement
Background checks are required to ensure a safe environment for both students and the public and to meet the contractual requirements of area healthcare facilities. Students who fail to submit and pass a background check cannot complete or maintain enrollment in the program. A list of disqualifying offenses is available at https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/?id=245C.15

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