



Creighton Model FertilityCare™ Practitioner Education Program

The **CREIGHTON MODEL FertilityCare** System works cooperatively with a woman's cycle to monitor normal and naturally occurring biological markers that identify the fertile and infertile days in her cycle. The couple uses this information to plan or avoid a pregnancy and to monitor a woman's health. The system is based on respect for the couple, the family and human life from the moment of conception. The effectiveness to avoid pregnancy is 99% and it is extremely effective in helping couples achieve pregnancy. NaProTechnology, a new reproductive science, based in the **CREIGHTON MODEL FertilityCare** System, provides new hope for couples experiencing infertility.

The **FertilityCare** PRACTITIONER Program prepares students to teach the **CREIGHTON MODEL FertilityCare** System.

The program was developed according to basic education principles utilized in allied health courses and consists of:

- **Education Phase I**
- **Supervised Practicum I**
- **Education Phase II**
- **Supervised Practicum II**
- **On Site Visit** (scheduled during Supervised Practicum II)
- **National Standardized Final Exam**

EDUCATION PHASE I

An eight day total emersion educational experience prepares the FertilityCare Practitioner Intern to teach the **CREIGHTON MODEL FertilityCare** System. The curriculum consists of history of natural methods of birth regulation, anatomy and physiology, the hormones of the menstrual cycle, breastfeeding, menopause, psychodynamics of contraception and the **CREIGHTON MODEL FertilityCare** System, human sexuality, the beginnings of human life and the effectiveness of natural and artificial methods of family planning. The clinical group sessions train the Intern to teach the **FertilityCare** System according to the standardized curriculum and include basic chart reading and correcting, how to conduct the standardized Introductory Session and Follow-Up sessions, documentation, and the Supervised Practicum I Responsibilities. An assessment at the end of this education phase assures the competency of the student to begin teaching clients during their internship.

SUPERVISED PRACTICUM I

This Practicum begins with the successful completion of Education Phase I and ends with Education Phase II. During this Practicum the Intern returns to their locale and begins teaching the **FertilityCare** System. Practitioner Interns are assigned a Faculty Supervisor who will provide management guidance during the Practicum. The Supervisor provides the support and direction that a Practitioner Intern requires. All books, charts, and instructional materials needed to teach will be provided. Each Intern requires a minimum of 6 client couples during this first Practicum. Additionally, there are written and recorded assignments, and scheduled telephone calls with the Supervisor.

EDUCATION PHASE II

Following successful completion of Supervised Practicum I the intern is qualified to attend Education Phase II. This six day educational experience covers advanced case management concepts for infertility, continuous mucus discharge, unusual bleeding, and **NaProTechnology**. The intern learns how to conduct pregnancy evaluations along with instruction on addressing advanced behavioral issues. Organizational aspects include communication, marketing, and advanced business aspects of managing a **FertilityCare** Center. An Oral Exam at the end of Education Phase II helps to prepare the intern for their second supervised practicum.

SUPERVISED PRACTICUM II

Supervised Practicum II begins with the successful completion of Education Phase II and ends with the Final Exam. During the practicum interns are required to teach an additional 12 client couples, submit assignments, hold monthly phone calls with their Supervisor and experience an On Site Visit from their Supervisor.

ON SITE VISIT

The faculty supervisor will go to the intern's locale to observe their teaching and interaction with clients, review their files and organization, and conduct a comprehensive case review of all clients to date.

NATIONAL STANDARDIZED FINAL EXAM

When all requirements are complete the Intern will be given approval to sit for a national standardized final exam. The exam is proctored in the student's home location and is offered four times a year.



Applicant Eligibility

Those eligible for the **FertilityCare** Practitioner Program are registered nurses with current licenses, allied health professionals with a BA or BS degree in health, behavioral sciences, social sciences, or education. Other non-health fields are also individually recognized. Also eligible are persons with associate degree/diploma such as: licensed practical nurse, human services practitioner, or the equivalent of two years of college study. A further eligibility criterion involves the applicant practicing the CREIGHTON MODEL

FertilityCare System or, if single and celibate, monitor their natural fertility and be a philosophical acceptor of the System.

Costs and Fees

Program tuition is \$3,100 for tuition and \$550 for books and materials fees. In addition, there are costs associated with an On Site Visit that will be conducted at the student's location during the second Practicum. These costs include travel and hotel room for one night for the student's Supervisor and are payable at the time of the site visit. In addition, there is a \$100 fee for the national standardized final exam.

The **FertilityCare** Practitioner Education Program is accredited and taught by credentialed professionals certified by the American Academy of FertilityCare Professionals who abide by its Code of Ethics and Standards. Upon completion of the Program the student is eligible to apply for certification through the Academy. See www.aafcp.org

Also upon program completion the student will be qualified to establish a program that can be an Affiliate of FertilityCare Centers of America. See www.fertilitycare.org

Education Phase I August 4-11, 2018

All classes to be conducted at
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See www.creightonmodel.com for information on the Creighton Model FertilityCare™ System.

Advanced educational materials, books and study guides are sent to the student when they have been accepted into the program. It is recommended that this process begin as soon as possible to allow the student the time needed to prepare for Education Phase I.

Join a Growing Allied Health Profession



Become a **CREIGHTON MODEL**

FertilityCare™ PRACTITIONER

Become part of a team providing
Natural Procreative Choice for:

- *Achieving Pregnancy*
- *Avoiding Pregnancy*
- *Procreative Wellness*