

CREIGHTON MODEL

FertilityCare™ Practitioners and Instructors Certificate Program

Partnership in FertilityCare™ Services

The **FertilityCare™ Practitioner** Program is a one-year program and prepares students to teach the CREIGHTON MODEL FertilityCare™ System to women and couples from any reproductive category.

The Program consists of:

- Two Education Phases
- Two Supervised Practica
- On site visit by a faculty Supervisor
- National Standardized final exam

The **FertilityCare™ Instructor** Program is a 6-month program and prepares students to teach the basic method to women and couples of most reproductive categories.

The Program consists of:

- One Education Phase
- One Supervised Practica
- National Standardized final exam

A **FertilityCare™ Instructor** must work under a **FertilityCare™ Practitioner** and cannot teach independently.

Accommodations, lodging and meals will be provided

Education Phase I (EP I) is an 8 day total immersion educational experience that prepares the intern to teach the CREIGHTON MODEL **FertilityCare™** System. **Supervised Practicum I** (SPI) begins with the successful completion of EP I. At this time the student is given all the teaching materials they need to teach 18 client couples. Practitioner and Instructor Interns begin establishing their centers and teaching the **FertilityCare™** System as soon as they return home from EPI. During the next six months a faculty member will supervise them through an innovative system of long distance assignments, phone calls, and problem solving tools.

Curriculum Content

EDUCATION PHASE I

- History of Natural Family Planning
- Anatomy of the Male and Female reproductive system
- Statistical Parameters of the Menstrual Cycle
- Mechanism of Anovulation and Oligoovulation
- Physiology of the Cervix
- The Physiology of Breast Feeding and Menopause
- Psychodynamics of the FertilityCare System and Human Sexuality
- Humanae Vitae
- Philosophical Attitudes of Family Life, Family Planning and Unplanned Pregnancy
- Human Sexuality, Married Love and the Use of Natural Methods of Family Planning
- The Beginnings of Human Life
- The Methods of Contraception
- Physical and Psychological Aspects of Induced Abortion
- Teaching Fertility Appreciation and Utilization of Good Judgment
- The Natural Methods of Family Planning and their Comparative Evaluation
- Use Effectiveness of Natural and Artificial Methods of Family Planning
- The Creighton Model **FertilityCare™** System
- The Importance of Standardized Teaching
- Basic Chart Reading and Chart Correcting
- Special Method Instructions
- Scientific Foundations of the Ovulation Method
- Basic Principles of Follow-up
- The Organization and Flow of the First and Subsequent Follow-ups
- How to Conduct a **FertilityCare™** Introductory Session and Follow-Up
- The **FertilityCare™** Follow-Up Form
- Techniques of Follow-up Laboratory Basic Problem Solving
- An Introduction to NAPROTECHNOLOGY®
- An Introduction to Case Management
- Principles of Case Management
- Basic Business Aspects and Marketing of **FertilityCare™** Services
- Utilization of Forms for Record Keeping and Standardized Teaching
- Qualities of Being a Professional

SUPERVISED PRACTICUM I

- Presentation of the **FertilityCare™** Introductory Session
- How to do a **FertilityCare™** Follow-Up
- Techniques of Follow-up
- Use of Basic Organizational Tools
- Evaluation of Case Reports
- Presentation of the Picture Dictionary
- Teaching Observations
- Basic Case Management
- Case Management Evaluation

EDUCATION PHASE II

- Basic Presentation of Cases
- NaProTechnology
- Advanced Case Management I Infertility
- Advanced Case Management II Unusual Bleeding
- Advanced Case Management III Management of Continuous Mucus Discharge
- Advanced Case Management VI Use of Yellow Stamps
- Principles of Pregnancy Evaluation, How to Conduct a Pregnancy Evaluation
- Basic Communication Skills
- How to Manage the Human Resources of a Creighton Model **FertilityCare™** Center
- Basic Ethical Principles
- Management of Advanced Behavioral Difficulties
- Advanced Case Management V Difficult Cases
- Advanced Business Aspects
- Comprehensive Case Review

SUPERVISED PRACTICUM II

- Continued Teaching
- Advanced Chart Reading and Correcting
- Advanced Case Management
- Case Management Evaluation
- Conducting Pregnancy Evaluations
- Writing Goals and Objectives
- Writing Job Descriptions
- Advanced Case Management Assignments
- On-site Visit by Faculty Supervisor
- Comprehensive Case Review
- Introductory Session critique and Review
- Follow-up Critique and Review
- Tour of Facilities

With successful completion of SPI the **FertilityCare™** Practitioner Intern will return for

Education Phase II (EPII) where they explore Advanced Issues in **FertilityCare™** System, Advanced Case Management, Pregnancy Evaluations, and Comprehensive Case Reviews.

After successful completion of EPII the **FertilityCare™** Practitioner Intern again returns home to continue teaching and complete the requirements of **Supervised Practicum II** (SPII). Sometime during SPII their faculty supervisor will conduct a Site Visit at the student's home location. When these requirements are complete the Practitioner Intern will qualify to take the national standardized final exam. Upon completion of the program the student will receive a certificate as a **FertilityCare™** Practitioner or **FertilityCare™ Instructor** from Eco Medicum Fertility Care Services

Applicant Eligibility

Those eligible for the **FertilityCare™ Practitioner** Program are registered nurses with current licenses, allied health professionals with a 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 university education. Further eligibility criteria requires that the applicant(s) practice (use) 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

The tuition and costs of books and materials for the entire program is \$4,000 US This amount may be payable as a deposit of \$500 US and the balance of \$3,500 in 2 installments prior to the beginning of EPI and EPII 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 OnSite Visit. In addition there is a fee of 50.00 USD for the national standardized final exam and the cost of teaching materials.

The **CREIGHTON MODEL FertilityCare™** System **Practitioner** and **Instructor** Programs of Eco Medicum Fertility Care Services are accredited by the American Academy of **FertilityCare™** Professionals and abide by its Standards. Upon completion of the Program our graduates will be eligible to apply for certification through the Academy.

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.

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**Next Class starts
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