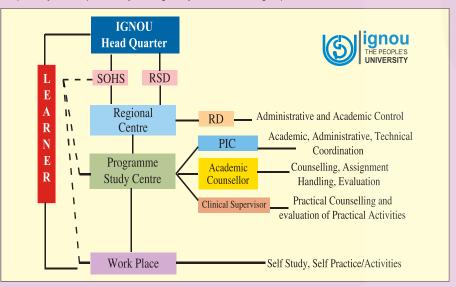
# **INSTRUCTIONAL APPROACH**

Programme is delivered through multiple media package consisting of print material in the form of blocks, A.V. Aids, Teleconferencing, Radio counsling Radio Broadcast/Telecast contact sessions and practical sessions at programme study centre. There are two theory courses and one practical course.



### **IMPLEMENTATION**

Programme is being implemented through a network of Programme Study Centres located in District Hospitals/ District Training Centres/College of Nursing/School of Nursing. A team of Teachers/Academic Counsellors will be trained to take contact sessions at programme study centers. In this programme 120 hours of counseling for theory courses (20 days) and 300 hours for practical contact sessions (50 days) have been planned. The criteria for Programme incharges/counselors include Medical and nursing professionals with post graduate qualification in various specialty areas, preferably having two years of teaching experience



# **EVALUATION**

There is continuous and Term End Evaluation. Continuous Evaluation for theory is through assignments and for practicals it is through Log Book, Case Study presentation and activities. There will be a Term End Examination for theory courses and Practical Examination for Practical courses. University conducts Term End Examination for theory in the month of June and December every year. The minimum qualifying marks in continuous and term end evaluation is 50% separately in each component of evaluation

# CERTIFICATE IN COMMUNITY HEALTH (BPCCHN) BROAD PROGRAMME DESIGN

THEORY COURSE					
Course Code	Course Title				
BNS-041	Foundations of Community Health				
Block 1	Introduction to Public Health and Epidemiology				
Block 2	Nutrition				
Block 3	Communicable Diseases and National Health Programme				
Block 4	Non-Communicable Diseases and National Health Programmes				
Block 5	Communication Management and Supervision				
BNS-042	Primary Health Care in Common Conditions				
Block 1	Management of Common Conditions and Emergencies including First Aid				
Block 2	Maternal Health				
Block 3	Reproductive Health and Adolescent Health				
Block 4	New Born and Child Health Care				
Block 5	Overview of Common Surgical conditions Referral and follow up care				
Block 6	Essential Drugs				
PRACTICAL COURSE					
BNSL-043	Public Health and Primary Health Care Skills				
Block 1	Public Health skills				
Block 2	General Skills and Laboratory Skills				
Block 3	Skills for Management of Common Conditions and Emergencies				
Block 4	Maternal Health Skills				
Block 5	Reproductive and Adolescent Health Skills				
Block 6	Newborn and Child Health Skills				

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## **INDIRA GANDHI NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY**

The Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU), established by an Act of Parliament in 1985, has continuously striven to build an inclusive knowledge society through inclusive education. It has tried to increase the Gross Enrollment Ratio (GER) by offering high-quality teaching through the Open and Distance Learning (ODL) mode.

The University began by offering two academic programmes in 1987, i.e., Diploma in Management and Diploma in Distance Education, with a strength of 4,528 students.

Today, it serves the educational aspirations of

over 3 million students in India and other countries through 21 Schools of Studies and a network of 67 regional centres, around 2,667 learner support centres and 29 overseas partner institutions. The University offers about 228 certificate, diploma, degree and doctoral programmes, with a strength of nearly 810 faculty members and 574 academic staff at the headquarters and regional centres and about 33,212 academic counsellors from conventional institutions of higher learning, professional organizations, and industry among others.

IGNOU provides seamless access to sustainable and learner-centric quality education, skill upgradation and training by using innovative technologies and methodologies and ensures convergence of existing systems for large scale human resource development required for promoting integrated national development and global understanding.

# GOVERMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (NATIONAL HEALTH MISSION)

The Sustainable Development Goals include achievement of Universal Health Coverage (UHC) including financial risk protection and access to quality essential health-care services. Provision of Comprehensive Primary Health Care is a critical component of UHC. Government of India has decided to strengthen the Sub Health Centres (SHCs) as Health & Wellness Centres (HWCs) with a primary health care team lead by a mid level health care provider to provide Comprehensive Primary Health Care in close proximity to the community. The roll-out of Nurses and Ayurveda Practitioners is a step towards skilling health human resources to perform the role of team leader at HWCs, armed with appropriate knowledge and competencies to deliver Comprehensive Primary Health Care services and implement public health programmes. It is expected that availability of Comprehensive Primary Health Care in close proximity to the community will reduce fragmentation of care, ensure healthier population and thereby reduce Out of Pocket Expenditure on health and also reduce pressure on secondary and tertiary care facilities.

The certificate Programme rolled out by IGNOU includes theory classes as well as hands on practicum training. The programme will also provide exposure to the candidates through community visits for field based assignments and learning.



The School of Health Sciences was set up in 1991 with the objective of augmenting educational avenues and providing in-service training to medical, nursing, paramedical and allied personnel through the distance education mode.

The School is pioneer in developing competency-based programmes in various disciplines of Health Sciences. Hands-on training is provided by diversified approaches through a network of medical colleges, nursing colleges, district level hospitals and community health centres and NGO's. The programmes of school of health sciences are being developed so as to revolutionize career opportunities available to nursing and medical personnel. The programmes of SOHS have been developed and supported by various national and international organizations like Government Departments, Ministries, Councils and reputed organizations like Indian Nursing Council, MoHFW, WHO, UNICEF and so on through collaborations.

The main functions of the School are as follows:

- Planning, developing and launching of degree, diploma and certificate level programmes courses for various categories of health professionals.
- Health related awareness courses for the general public.
- Conducting research on health related issues.

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Programmes on Offer								
Doctoral Degree Programmes	Diploma Programmes							
Doctor of Philosophy in Nursing (PhD(N))	Diploma in Nursing Administration (DNA)							
PG and Advance Diploma Programmes	Diploma in Critical Care Nursing (DCCN)							
Post-Graduate Diploma in Maternal and Child Health	Certificate Programmes							
(PGDMCH)	Certificate in Newborn & Infant Nursing (CNIN)							
Post-Graduate Diploma in Hospital and Health Management (PGDHHM)	Certificate in Maternal and Child Health Nursing							
Post-Graduate Diploma in HIV Medicine (PGDHIVM)	(CMCHN)							
Post-Graduate Diploma in Geriatric Medicine (PGDGM)	Certificate in Home Based Health Care (CHBHC)							
Bachelor's Degree Programmes	Certificate in Health Care Waste Management							
Post Basic BSc Nursing (BScN(PB))	(CHCWM)							

# **CERTIFICATE IN COMMUNITY HEALTH**

Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MoHFW) GOI approached IGNOU for developing Certificate in Community Health (BPCCHN). An MOU was signed with Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MoHFW) on 16<sup>th</sup> March, 2016. Funding for development of programme has been provided by MOHFW to IGNOU. The programme aims at improving the knowledge, skills and competencies of registered nurses (RNRM) and Ayurveda practitioners to enable them to serve as competent human resource essential for strengthening the primary health care services at peripheral level. The development of this programme has been undertaken with the involvement of nursing experts, medical experts, social scientists and educationists from various related disciplines.



### **OBJECTIVES**

The main objectives of the programme are as follows:

- Enhance knowledge and skill of learners in providing community health care services.
- Develop competencies in dealing with issues of public health.
- Provide comprehensive primary care based on protocols appropriate to subcentre level.
- Perform preventive and promotive actions for improving community health.
- Perform common laboratory investigations.
- Provide care based on protocols appropriate to subcentre level.

Academic Session : January to June cycle and July to December cycle every year

Target Group : Registered Nurse and Registered Midwife (RN/RM) and Registered

Ayurveda Graduate preferably having two years Post Qualification

experiences

Eligibility Criteria : GNM/BSc. Nursing/PB BSc. Nursing/Ayurveda Practitioners/BAMS

Programme Fee : Rs. 15,000

Medium of Instruction : English

Number of Seats : 30 per Programme Study Centre (Psc)

Admission/Selection Procedure: Sponsorship of the candidates (fulfilling eligibility criteria) by MoHFW

through States

Duration of Programme : Minimum: 6 Months Maximum: 2 years

Programme Package : The package consists of self instructional material in form of booklets

blocks, audio-video programmes, teleconferencing and face to face

counseling sessions

The minimum duration of the programme is six months. However, the students are given a maximum period of two years to complete the programme from the date of registration. After which the student has to apply for readmission paying the pro- rata fee for each incomplete course of theory and practical components.

### **CREDIT SYSTEM**

In IGNOU, the study hours are measured in credit system. One credit is equivalent to 30 learning hours. For example, 18 credits of Certificate in Community Health means an average student will be required to give 540 hours of input for this programme. While undergoing the programme, students would be involving themselves in the activities like reading self instructional Material, attending counseling sessions at Programme Study centres, and practical hands on training in district hospitals, community health centres (CHCs), Primary Health Centres (PHCs) and subcentres etc, writing assignments, viewing audio video programmes listening Radio counseling/ Broadcast/Telecast including self study and teleconferencing.

Courses	Course Code	Course Title	Credits	Hours	Counseling Hours	Self Study Hours
A. Theory	BNS-041	Foundations of Community Health	4	120	60	60
	BNS-042	Primary Health Care in Common Conditions	4	120	60	60
B. Practical	BNSL-043	Public Health and Primary Health Care Skills	10	300	300	-
		Total	18	540	420	120