Exam Preparation Course
Learning Outcomes

CHSCA
Certified HealthCare Supply Chain Analyst

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Module 1: Overview & Fundamental SCM Issues
• Key Supply Chain (SC) terms
• Key SC business processes
• Introduction of key concepts
• An understanding of the basic tenants of supply chain
• The reasons SCM is relevant to all of us
• The basic issues and concerns of SCM
• Trends in SCM

Module 2: Healthcare SCM Issues
• A brief background of healthcare as a whole
• A broad brush understanding of healthcare supply chain
• Principles demonstrating how healthcare SCM differs from other industries

Module 3: Demand Planning
• A working definition of demand planning/forecasting
• An explanation of the methods to forecast/demand plan most prevalent in the healthcare industry
• Nuances visible in healthcare that make demand planning so complex

Module 4: Purchasing & Sourcing
• Information on group purchasing organizations (GPO’s)
• Purchasing & sourcing techniques for healthcare professionals
• Healthcare specific purchasing issues

Module 5: Vendor Role/Vetting/Overview
• Some higher level due diligence most hospitals prefer to conduct on vendors prior to purchase
• Some of the more technical, IT and cyber-related risks hospitals examine in their third party relationships

Module 6: Pharmacy
• A brief global scan of now pharmacy reimbursement and procurement functions across the globe
• A hospital perspective on how a pharmacy contracting/formulary team may function

Module 7: Transportation, Warehousing & Distribution
• An overview of how transportation works in healthcare, including air/rail/ground freight
• Insourcing/outsourcing of transportation functions
• Warehousing & distribution basics
• Logistics terminology and background (more to come in section 8)

Module 8: Logistics & Operations
• General inventory management principles applicable to healthcare supply chain

Module 9: Accounts Payable
• The tricky process of accounts payable (AP)
• How accounts may work in a healthcare setting
• Some aspects of accounts payable to consider when establishing protocols

Module 10: Value Analysis/Clinical Support
• An overview of an integrated supply chain with the remainder of the business functions
• An overview of the clinical quality value analysis (CQVA) function within healthcare/supply chain

Module 11: Team Dynamics & Strategy (continued)
• A brief background on a commonly disruptive healthcare supply chain model: shared services
• A few of the more common types of team /managerial dynamics common and/or important in effective teams
• A high level view of strategic planning and how it works
• The ten most impactful healthcare supply chain strategies to positively impact patient care

Module 12: GS1 Standards
• Why we should care about GS1 standards
• What GS1 standards mean to healthcare and patient care
• How GS1 standards impacts the healthcare supply chain
Module 13: Business Insights & Analytics
• What healthcare supply chain analytics are for and why we should care about them
• Live examples of healthcare analytics potentially useful in the supply chain hospital setting

Module 14: Project Management / Lean / CI / 5S / Quality
• A myriad of topics related to quality and process improvement activities connecting to healthcare supply chain
• Examples of how these techniques are utilized in healthcare supply chain

Module 15: Risk Management & Internal Control
• A working definition of supply chain risk
• Ways to categorize risks within a supply chain
• Risks that exist in the global healthcare supply chain today

Course Details
Pre-requisites: None
Classroom time: 15 hours

Certification Exam Details
Assessment Method: Multiple Choice Exam
Pass Grade: 70%
Regulatory Authority: IISB (ISCEA International Standards Board)

About IISB
IISB (ISCEA International Standards Brand) is the authority behind ISCEA’s International Supply Chain Standards. It is conformed by a 24 member Board of Directors led by a Secretary-General and a President. IISB designates multiple committees conformed by a selected group of Global Supply Chain Experts from Public and Private Organizations, to develop the BoK (Body of Knowledge) for each certification program.
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