

ECCO Key Content Differences Between ICU and PCU Track

Module Title	Topics Covered
Global Perspectives in the Care of Critically Ill Patients: Part 1	Content is the same.
Global Perspectives in the Care of Critically Ill Patients: Part 2	ICU track includes post-anesthesia recovery
Caring for Patients With Cardiovascular Disorders: Part 1	<p>ICU track includes brief discussions on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Care of patients with intra-aortic balloon pump (IABP) • Care of patients with targeted temperature management (TTM) <p>*Indications for and anticipated benefits of each are included in PCU Track</p> <p>PCU track includes brief discussions on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Core measures • Discharge planning/cardiac rehab • Patient education
Caring for Patients With Cardiovascular Disorders: Part 2	Content is the same.
Caring for Patients With Cardiovascular Disorders: Part 3	Content is the same.
Caring for Patients With Cardiovascular Disorders: Part 4	<p>ICU track covers additional early postoperative management focused on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Postoperative handoff and early postoperative assessment • Hypothermia and rewarming • Identifying and managing excessive chest tube output (bleeding) • Maintaining blood pressure and cardiac output • Ventilator weaning and extubation
Caring for Patients With Pulmonary Disorders: Part 1	<p>ICU track includes instruction on the appearance of chest x-rays in critical care, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Radiolucency • Anatomical landmarks

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Radiologic images of lines and tubes
Caring for Patients With Pulmonary Disorders: Part 2	<p>ICU track includes instruction on the use of neuromuscular blocking agents (NMBAs), including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Indications for NMBAs • Assessment of the patient receiving NMBAs • Maintaining safety, and preventing complications during administration of NMBAs
Hemodynamic Monitoring of Critically Ill Patients: Part 1	<p>ICU track includes a topic on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Central venous pressure (CVP) waveform analysis and clinical application of CVP monitoring
Hemodynamic Monitoring of Critically Ill Patients: Part 2	<p>ICU track includes an assignment on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pulmonary artery (PA) catheters <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Indications for PA catheters ○ Catheter types ○ Catheter insertion ○ Waveform analysis ○ Measuring PA pressures ○ Complications and associated problems
Caring for Patients With Neurologic Disorders: Part 1	<p>All content is ICU and PCU, but PCU learners will not be tested on the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assignment 4: Neurologic Monitoring <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ EVD drainage systems ○ Intracranial pressure waveform analysis and troubleshooting
Caring for Patients With Neurologic Disorders: Part 2	<p>Content on traumatic brain injuries is covered in both tracks, but ICU learners have an additional case scenario to elaborate on assessment and care priorities, including management of ICP.</p>

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	ICU track includes additional content on care of the patient with status epilepticus.
Caring for Patients With Gastrointestinal Disorders	ICU track includes: Intra-abdominal hypertension (IAH) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Screening for IAH • Monitoring IAP • Managing IAH • Managing Complications
Caring for Patients With Renal Disorders: Part 1	Content is the same with one exception: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One priority question where the PCU learner determines priorities prior to transfer to ICU in AKI assignment 3
Caring for Patients With Renal Disorders: Part 2	All content on CRRT is ICU only
Caring for Patients With Endocrine Disorders	Content is the same.
Caring for Patients With Hematological Disorders	Content is the same.
Caring for Patients With Multisystem Disorders	ICU track includes content on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hypovolemic shock ICU management post-anesthesia • Cardiogenic shock transfer to ICU for IABP placement and goals of using an IABP • Severe sepsis and 6-hour bundle for managing sepsis, including vasopressor therapy • Multiple organ dysfunction syndrome Content is the same for ICU and PCU for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Behavioral • Necrotizing fasciitis and rhabdomyolysis

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