

## **Course Objectives**

MedBridge Introduction to Pediatric Home Care: Infants and Toddlers Deborah S. Boroughs, RN, MSN

## **Course Description:**

This course provides students with an overview of nursing care in the home of infants and toddlers with special health care needs. Important differences between nursing care of children and adults are differentiated. Normal growth and development patterns are described so that the home care nurse may detect pathologic deviations and 'red flags' that may indicate abnormal growth and development. Common diagnoses of infant and toddlers who receive in-home nursing care are identified. General assessment home care guidelines for infants and toddlers are outlined. Required skill preparation for pediatric home care nurses to become proficient and safe to deliver autonomous care to an infant or toddler with complex medical needs is presented.

## **Course Learning Objectives:**

- Compare important differences between nursing care of children and adults
- Recognize normal patterns of growth and development of infants and toddlers
- Identify common diagnoses of infants and toddlers who receive home care nursing
- Understand nursing assessment home care guidelines for infants and toddlers
- Define proper preparation of the pediatric home care nurse