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### Daily Journal Entry with Plan of Care & Chart Note

Student Name: Nancy Benchley Day/Date: 3/26/2024

Number of Clinical Hours Today: 8

Care Setting: Hospital  Ambulatory Care  Home Care  Other

Preceptor: Jennifer Mullins

Clinical Focus: Wound  Ostomy  Continence

This assignment should be WOC focused and approached as both patient documentation and critical thinking development. Complete each section of the document. Once you have completed the form, save the document by clinical date and preceptor. Submit to your Practicum Course dropbox for instructor review & feedback. Journals should be submitted to your dropbox no later than **48 hours** following the clinical experience day. See samples in course Resource area to assist you with this assignment.

#### Reflection: Describe your patient encounters & types of patients seen.

Today we saw 9 patients. I saw a variety of cases with my preceptor today. Our first patient was a new admission with a fungal rash due to moisture and her benign familial pemphigus. She had rashes under both breasts and abdominal fold. She was ordered to cleanse with vashe, apply miconazole powder, adaptic non adherent dressing over the powder, and silver alginate dressing over that to absorb exudate. The next two patients were on the psychiatric unit. One had a scab on occipital area which bacitracin was ordered. The other had 2 unstageable pressure injuries on right ischium with slough and moderate exudate. She was ordered Mesalt gauze and allevyn, change daily. One patient had necrotizing fasciitis. He was post-op for closure of the wound. He also had an unstageable pressure injury on his coccyx. The pressure injury was cleaned with Vashe, mesalt dressing was applied followed by allevyn. We saw a follow-up for a fungating breast wound that was healed. A follow-up/discharge for a diabetic foot ulcer that was scabbed over. Iodine povidone was ordered daily. He also had charcot foot which he was previously wearing a brace for but was switched to specialty footwear. Ammonium lactate lotion, off loading heels with pillows, and absorbant pad under legs was ordered for a patient with lymphedema and cellulitis. One patient we saw was a follow-up for an allergic reaction to adhesive tape. The rash was healed however he was ordered lotramin for athletes foot. The last patient had a healed dehisced 2<sup>nd</sup> finger on right hand wound which lotion was applied to. He also had 2 unstageable pressure injuries on coccyx. The one wound was 100% covered with slough and bordered with brown necrotic tissue. There was heavy tan exudate on the bandage. My preceptor said she would like to use collagenase for debridement but it is unavailable at this hospital. Instead Silvadene cream was applied to a Mesalt gauze and covered with Allevyn foam dressing to aid in debridement. During our shift I practiced measuring wounds and wound assessments during rounds with the patients. We discussed pathways to becoming certified as a WOC nurse and questions about the test for the certification.

WOC nurses function as consultants and develop plans of care (POC) for other care givers as a guide to providing care in the WOC nurse's absence. For this part, select one patient who is an example of the identified specialty hours for this clinical day. Write a chart note giving careful consideration to how the patient was assessed, the problems, and the rationale behind the plan of care. The WOC nurse consultant/specialist note should begin with why you are seeing the pt; Initial visit for..., follow-up visit for..., evaluation and management of..., etc Then, describe the visit. Be sure to include any physical assessment, interactions, and specific products were used/recommended for use. Write in a manner others will be able to understand and be able to interpret your plan of care.

#### Chart note:

This is a new admission 65 year old female. She has a history of heart failure, hypothyroidism, diet-controlled diabetes, GERD,

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anxiety/PTSD, asthma, OSA, HTN, irritable bowel syndrome, hyperlipidemia, and Hailey-Hailey syndrome. She presented to the ED due to worsening drainage and foul odor from skin rash under breasts and abdominal folds, weakness, and recurrent falls. She was seen by the wound care team for rash under breasts and abdominal folds. Foul odor noted upon approaching bedside. Dorsalis pedal pulses were normal bilaterally. 1+ edema to bilateral ankles. Alginate dressing was removed. Moderate yellow exudate noted on old dressing. Nystatin powder cleaned from wound area. The rash under the breasts and abdomen was painful, red, and areas of erosion noted. Adaptic dressing was applied followed by silver alginate dressing. Miconazole powder was ordered. Primary physician was contacted to discuss further treatment due to Hailey-Hailey syndrome.

Using the information from the chart note, develop a plan of care to be executed by other members of the healthcare team in your absence. Statements should be directive and holistic. Write as nursing orders.

**WOC Plan of Care (include specific products used)**

- \*Soak with Vashe solution to gauze for 5 minutes
- \*Apply dusting of Miconazole powder BID
- \*Apply one layer of Adaptic non adherent dressing
- \*Apply silver alginate dressing over the adaptic
- \*ABD pads as needed for drainage
- \*Allevyn foam dressing to coccyx area for pressure injury prevention

**Describe your thoughts related to the care provided. What would you have done differently?**

I would have used Interdry Antimicrobial Silver dressing instead of the antifungal powder, adaptic, and alginate dressing. Interdry is a moisture wicking fabric that can be change q 5days or when soiled. This decreased frequency of dressing changes can help with pain reduction. The dressing reduces friction, wicks the moisture away from the skin, and reduces odor.

You should have a learning goal for each clinical day. What was your goal for the day? Was it met? Why or why not?

**Goals**

**What was your goal for the day?**

My goal was to see a variety of wound care cases today, see a complex case, and learn more about the different types of dressings that are seen in the hospital. I saw a variety of cases today and learned about new dressings/treatments.

**What is/are your learning goal(s) for tomorrow? (Share learning goal with preceptor)**

See another complex case and continue to practice measurement and assessment skills

CRITICAL ELEMENTS	Completed	Missing
Medical record note reflects that of a specialist:		
* Identifies why the patient is being seen		
*Describes the encounter including assessment, interactions, any actions, education provided and responses		

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*Includes pertinent PMH, HPI, current medications and <del>pertinent</del> labs		
*Identifies specific products utilized/recommended for use		
*Identifies overall recommendations/plan		
Plan of Care Development:		
*POC is focused and holistic		
*WOC nursing concerns and medical conditions, co-morbidities are incorporated		
*Statements direct care of the patient in the absence of the WOC nurse		
*Directives are written as nursing orders		
Thoughts Related to Visit:		
*Critical thinking utilized to reflect on patient encounter		
*Identifies alternatives/what would have done differently		
Learning goal identified		

Reviewed by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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