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Instructional Module 6
Obstetrics Community Clinical Experience

Community Site: Parkridge Pregnancy Medical Clinic

1. What did you observe during the day? Were there any specific procedures that were able to participate in or observe? I observed patient care and teaching to young mother's. I saw a specific procedure which was a ultrasound done by the nurses. They are trained to do that I observed a pap smear being done as well as STD testing for any condition except syphilis.

2. What was the best/most interesting part of the experience?
The most interesting part was that they test for STD. The nurses are trained to look at the bacteria under a microscope to see what they have. Another interesting part is how they are able to do ultrasounds.

3. Is a community nursing position something that you would consider working in? Why or why not? Yes, definitely because I love helping others and especially helping them with more information on their pregnancy situation. I understand their stress and point of view, so I want to be able to help them. I would consider it because community nursing is a important job to help others in need.

4. Do you feel like this community site met the needs of the population they serve? Why or why not? Yes, because they serve any age population. They give out many brochures with alot of information to help their patients get education on pregnancy such as insurance, prenatal, childbirth classes and abortion. Everything is free to the patients, also STD testing and treatment is free.

5. Did you witness patient teaching? What general things were taught to this population? Do you feel that patient teaching in this community site was adequate? Why or why not?
Yes I did witness patient teaching. The general things taught were that if the fetal heart rate didn't show up in the ultra sound it was normal because fetal heart rate shows at about 6 weeks. Yes, I feel that the patient teaching is adequate. It's important to let our patient's know about this and not let them worry about it. All information is accurate.