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**Instructional Module 6
Obstetrics Community Clinical Experience**

Community Site: Grace Clinic

1. What did you observe during the day? Were there any specific procedures that were able to participate in or observe? Throughout the day, I was able to see the doctor perform annual exams, pap smears, and I got to listen to him explain and answer questions about upcoming procedures for his patients. The doctor let me go into the room with him for each patient and let me assist him with his exams. I handed him the supplies he needed and observed the procedures.

2. What was the best/most interesting part of the experience? The doctor was very willing to answer any questions I had and was great about explaining all of the procedures that he was doing. He had two patients come in that were scheduled to have a bladder suspension. He was answering any questions they had before their procedure. It was interesting to hear him explain that procedure and how it works. There were also several women that came in and had a hysterectomy, but were not taking any estrogen. It was also interesting to hear him explain to them how important it is to take estrogen and all of the benefits it provides for women.

3. Is a community nursing position something that you would consider working in? Why or why not? I really liked being at Grace clinic. The staff were very friendly and welcoming. I really enjoyed getting to listen to the doctor interact with patients and observe the way he explained things to them in terms they understood. I also enjoyed getting to talk with him about different procedures he does and some of the different things he has seen. I would definitely consider working in a clinic like Grace.

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4. Do you feel like this community site met the needs of the population they serve? Why or why not? I feel like the doctors and nurses that work at this clinic go above and beyond to meet the needs of their patients. I have gone to Grace clinic for the past 6 years and have had no complaints about anything. Seeing how things work on the other side of the door was interesting because I have only ever been to Grace clinic as a patient. The doctors seemed to genuinely love what they do and care about their patients' health.

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? I think half of the patients the doctor saw were there to ask the doctor any questions or concerns they had about their upcoming procedure. He was extremely good at answering their questions and addressing their concerns. I could tell that they were relieved when they left the office because they felt reassured that they know exactly what was going to happen and what to expect. One general thing that I noticed was mentioned often, was the women that had a hysterectomy, were highly encouraged to be on an estrogen supplement. I really think that Grace clinic is the best clinic for women. The staff are compassionate and willing to teach and explain. The patient will not leave feeling worried or confused.