

Final Reflection

I have finished my preceptorship in the Pediatric Emergency Department. I have gotten to practice many different skills here and greatly improved my assessments. Throughout my time, I have been able to get to know the staff here and built a relationship with many of them. The Pediatric Emergency Department has been a place that is great for learning and allowed me many opportunities to grow as a nurse. I truly feel like I have improved on my assessment and IV skills by being able to be here for my preceptorship.

The second half of my preceptorship was vastly different from my first half. At the first five shifts of my preceptorship I didn't get a lot of opportunity to practice skills. In the beginning I was nervous, but as time has gone I have grown to be more comfortable with the patients and people. It still has been extremely different to work in the pediatric world versus the adult world, but I think the experience will help me be a better nurse in the end. Throughout my time my preceptor has been great in helping me, especially with the pediatric aspect. Working in the emergency department is also special from where I will work when I graduate. This experience will help me understand more how the emergency department on main campus works and hopefully show them more grace. During my last five shifts I feel like my preceptor and I got closer, especially after she fell and busted her head open. She seems to trust me more, she even let me do the lidocaine and clean her head before the stitches. I am older than her so that was a little strange for us, but we both seemed to learn from each other. She said I was her first full module 8 student, so she learned more about herself as well.

The Pediatric Emergency Department is particularly good at making me feel like a part of the team. I really appreciate that they have been good about showing me more of the trauma side. It is still very difficult for me to have to hold kids down during procedures. My time here in the

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Pediatric Emergency Department has definitely made me become a better nurse. Their willingness to help and guide me has been especially helpful. I know I will be able to take what I have learned into the SICU. My preceptorship as a whole was definitely a good experience.