

**Instructional Module 6**  
**Obstetrics Community Clinical Experience**

Community Site: Dr. Nall

1. What did you observe during the day? Were there any specific procedures that were able to participate in or observe

I had the opportunity to shadow Dr. Nall while he saw his patients. I got to assist with pap smears and pelvic exams. I would walk in and greet the patient. Grab exam gloves and raise the exam table for Dr. Nall. I then handed him his gloves, and the cervical broom swab. I collected the sample and made sure there was a patient label on it. Placed the sample in the biohazard bag and put on the nurse's desk so the requisition form with patient demographics can be attached to it. I would help the patient sit up while lowering the exam table for her.

2. What was the best/most interesting part of the experience?

There was a female patient that came in as a new patient with a complaint of having suprapubic pain to her hysterectomy scar area. The patient stated when she has a bowel movement it feels like her incision site is wanting to rip open. Patient also complained of pain with intercourse. During the pelvic exam the patient was in a lot of pain, she was crying and hurting. Dr. Nall was worried since she should not be having this type of pain so far 8 months post hysterectomy. He ordered a CT scan of her abdomen and pelvis. I would have like to see what the outcome of this was and what her CT results showed.

3. Is a community nursing position something that you would consider working in? Why or why not?

I have worked as a Medical Assistant in Family Practice and Urgent care since 2010, and I enjoy it. You obtain a close relationship with your patients. I would love to experience working at different community clinics.

4. Do you feel like this community site met the needs of the population they serve? Why or why not? Yes, I do feel like this site meets the needs of the population. Dr. Nall no longer does OB, but he will do the yearly annual exams, he also mentioned to a patient he could see her for whatever she needs him to. It seems he does a lot of women health surgeries such as Hysterectomies and bladder suspensions.

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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, DR. Nall is a great teacher. He sits and listens to his patients concerns. Dr. Nall has such good bedside manners. He will ask the patient questions and listen to their response. Most of the teaching was about what to expect for the type of surgery the patient was having. I also sat in on the teaching about the medications a patient will be taking for her pre-op, what to expect after surgery and post-op instructions.