

## Pediatric Case 3: Eva Madison

### Documentation Assignments

1. Document your initial focused assessment of Eva Madison.

I initially took her vital signs and assessed her respiratory and cardiovascular status. I then assessed her for signs and symptoms of dehydration, including her skin turgor and mucus membranes, which both showed that she was dehydrated.

2. Identify and document key nursing diagnoses for Eva Madison.

My key nursing diagnosis for my patient was altered fluid balance related to dehydration evidenced by dry mucus membranes and tenting skin turgor.

3. Referring to your feedback log, document the nursing care you provided and Eva Madison's response.

I gave her the ordered fluid after checking her IV site and its patency. She had also said she had some trouble breathing, so I put her bed up and gave her a stuffed animal for comfort. I called her doctor about the breathing and he said he would come to check on her, and to stick with her orders. After this call I reassessed her respirations and she stated she felt better. I took a urine and stool sample, and she responded well.

4. Document the patient teaching that you would provide for Eva Madison and her parents before discharge, including teaching related to contact isolation precautions and diet progression.

I taught the mother about Eva's condition and how to take care of her at home and what signs and symptoms to watch for. I taught the mother about contact precautions related to her daughter's gastroenteritis. I taught the patient about the importance of hand washing, how to do it properly, and what dehydration was.