

Covenant School of Nursing Reflective

I have 3 days of clinical practice with my preceptor under my belt. A lot has happened in just three days, but I am enjoying being on the pediatric floor and my nurse is fantastic! I have been able to strengthen my nursing skills and I have also been able to learn or see new things. We have given chemotherapy multiple times. I have seen many different drains and ports such as CPORT, IJV, GJ, NG, and vessel loop. My patients have been in a wide range of age- earliest being 10 weeks to 17 years old. The age range can make it difficult to individually care for the patients because they are all at such different developmental and cognitive ages, but the parents are a great help! Also, I have been able to care for many different diagnoses including, sickle cell anemia in crisis, hernia repair, appendectomy post-op, trauma of a patient in a CVA and trauma of a pedestrian patient hit by a motor vehicle, and diabetic ketoacidosis.

Also, all the staff on the floor is great to be around. I feel the environment is very team oriented and it makes things for an individual nurse, especially a student like me, feel more comfortable knowing they are so happy to help. I am enjoying my 12 hour shifts and looking forward to my next 7!