

Final Reflection

I have completed all ten of my shifts for my preceptorship in the MICU. With each shift I became more comfortable with all the nursing aspects and interactions with patients. I was able to take care of both patients and handle the responsibility well. When we had patients that were relatively stable and we had done what we had needed to do for them, I would spend my time going around helping other nurses as well as seeking out more learning opportunities when I could. Each day I was able to go in with an open mind and try to learn as much as I could from wherever I could. There were a few codes that I even experienced and was a part of. It was amazing to see the teamwork and everything that went on with these high intensity moments. The nurses and every part of the healthcare team had their role and worked together displaying their knowledge and skills when it mattered most. It was great to experience and to help me see where I could be down the road as a nurse myself. Learning from all these nurses has given a great example of how much I must learn and how I can achieve it by being open-minded and teachable.

My time on this floor has provided me with a lot of growth and has me excited about my future career as a nurse. This job is not easy at all but working with all the patients and families that I did showed me how fulfilling this job is. There were patients that did not have the best outcomes but I was still able to learn tremendously from these situations. I had a great preceptor or gave me plenty of great teaching and guidance coming from his long career as nurse. I had a great learning experience on this floor and look forward to using it as I begin my own career in nursing.