

**Instructional Module 6
Obstetrics Community Clinical Experience**

Community Site: 4515 Marsha Sharp Freeway Lubbock (Dr. Nalls Office)

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

- Patients came in for their annual checkups and a lot came in for pre-operation for hysterectomy. It was my first-time observing pap smear procedure and an endometrial biopsy. Dr. Nall guided me throughout the procedure while also teaching the patient.

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

- The most interesting part of the experience was being able to see an endometrial biopsy taken from a fibroid tissue. In which a tissue sample is obtained from the endometrium to examine for any cell abnormalities or cancer. I was also able to witness a woman with ovarian cyst, she was supposed to do her surgery on October for a complete hysterectomy but she came in for a checkup due to severe pain and swelling of the lower abdomen. Her pelvic ultrasound results shows that the cyst was growing faster than her last check-up. Dr. Nall had to schedule an emergency surgery for her tomorrow morning. And she is now admitted to the hospital for monitoring and in preparation for pre-op total hysterectomy.

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

- I don't think I will be working as a community/Office Nurse because I want to be involved in patient care bed side. In my perspective, I would really like to be able to see them progress and being able to be there with them through hard times. Although, their work hours are flexible and not too heavy work load and the staff were great and have good environment.

4. Do you feel like this community site met the needs of the population they serve? Why or why not?

- This type of community site met the needs of the population especially women. This creates a safe environment for them to be able to specify their needs or discomforts. It is comforting to know someone understands you especially in a sensitive topic where no one wants to talk about or just embarrassed to tell.

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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?

- Dr. Nall and Mrs. Tiffany is really good at patient teaching and elaborating things to where the patient can understand more in depth of what's going on in their body. These patients were taught mostly about pre-operative and post-operative care, contraception or abstinence, Dr. Nall was discussing about changes in their diets or medications to take if ever their periods are getting heavier and strong cramping. In my opinion the patient teaching was wonderful, making sure that these patients really know what's going on with their body and clarification about their procedures.