Student Name: Group: AM PM Week: 2 3 5 6 7 Unit: CICU MICU SICU ED Faculty: Kineman Ponder Smith Spradling Leavell	**INSTRUCTIONS:** You will complete the daily clinical packet for each assigned patient. All areas must be addressed. Packets will be turned in to your faculty at the end of each clinical day. Packets that are not complete may result in Unsatisfactory Clinical Evaluations and may require further action.

IM 7 Clinical Judgment Patient Packet

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RECOGNIZING CUES

Identify relevant and important information from different sources.

Diagnosis/Current Problem and when it started:	Code Status: Full DNR	Weight
		Height
Medical History (Allergies):	O2 Therapy (Type and current FiO2)	
Patient Story: What happened and why is the patient here?	IV Site(s) (Dates placed and dressing changed)	
	Tubes (Drains, urinary or bowel catheters)	
	Therapies: RT/OT/PT(What are the recommendations?)	

Abnormal Applicable Lab Tests	Current Lab	How does this affect your patient?

ANALYZING CUES & GENERATING SOLUTIONS

Organize and link the recognized cues to the patient's clinical presentation.

What are the major things going on with your patient?	
What do you want to do for this patient?	
Why do you want to do these things?	

TAKING ACTION

Performing the solution(s) that address the highest priorities (interventions, medications)

PHARMACOLOGY

List each medication (scheduled and PRNs given within 12 hours) that align with the primary body system/concept.

Time Due	Medication Name & Dose	How does this med work?	What should you watch your patient for?

PHYSICAL ASSESSMENT

Each area must be addressed daily in narrative notes

General Info (time, why admitted, gen appearance)
Neurological-sensory (LOC, sensation, strength, coordination, speech, pupil assessment)
Cardiovascular (rhythm, rate, pulses, edema, heart sounds)
Respiratory (rhythm, rate, O2 sat, chest symmetry, breath sounds, signs of hypoxia, type of oxygen device present and patient response)
Comfort level (pain rating, location, how long)
Psychological/Social (affect, interaction with family, staff)
Gastrointestinal (last BM, appearance of abdomen, bowel sounds, reaction to palpation, soft/rigid, catheters or drains present, Bristol stool type, if observed)
Genitourinary-Reproductive (frequency, urgency, continence, color, clarity, odor, vaginal discharge, catheters/drains present)
Musculoskeletal (posture, hand grasp, toe wiggle, range of motion, mobility, deformities, gait)
Skin (color, temp, turgor, integrity)
Additional wounds, dressings, additional drains, all IV sites (location, output or drainage, site description, dressing soiled or clean, date of dressings)

Narrative Notes

You will document your full assessment, any changes in your patient and what you/nurse did, any skills/tasks you performed, hourly patient updates, and who you reported the end of shift report to.
Use medical terminology for your documentation.
Date, time (military) and sign (credentials SN CSON) each time you document.
If you need additional narrative paper, ask the unit secretary for a narrative note (dark yellow/orange colored sheet)

Example: 8/12/24 0830 Report received from J.Doe RN. Assumed care of patient. A.Student, SN CSON ----------

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SITUATION

Age: _____ Sex: M F
Date admitted:
Admitted from (home, nursing home, assisted living):
Code status:
Physician (attending):

BACKGROUND

Admitting diagnosis/Primary problem:

Date of surgery (if applicable):

ASSESSMENT

Code status:

Abnormal V/S:

IV Site (lock/fluids/drips/when to change IV site):

Procedures done in the last 24 hours:

Abnormal assessments:

Current pain score: What has been done to manage this pain:

Safety needs/fall risk/skin risk:

RECOMMENDATION

Needed changes in the plan of care? (diet, activity, medications, consults)

What are you concerned about?

Discharge plans:

Pending labs/x-rays:

What does the next shift need to be aware of?

POST CLINICAL REFLECTION

This exercise strengthens your clinical judgment skills.
Reflect on your clinical day and the decisions you made caring for this patient by answering the questions below.

Reflection Questions	Student Nurse Reflection
What feelings did you experience in clinical today? Why?	
What did you already know and do well as you provided patient care today?	
What areas do you need to develop or improve?	
What did you learn today?	
How will you apply what was learned to improve your patient care?	