

Clinical Reflection - Final

My time on the Oncology/Stem unit has been a great learning experience, having 4-5 patients at a time allowed me to get plenty of experience with med administration, time management, and collecting different kinds of specimens. Having the ability to learn about different chemo regimens and the wide range of cancers always kept my clinical's interesting. This preceptorship has exposed me to the importance of empathy in the nursing field. Throughout my shifts I've seen nurses cry, my Preceptor hugging and comforting a crying patient, and families in the halls crying over their loved ones. Knowing what to say when someone is emotional is not an easy skill, I'm definitely going to work on that nursing skill since this was the first time I've been exposed to it personally. Even with all the sad situations I had the chance to meet and care for amazing individuals, being able to have the same patients throughout multiple shifts allowed us to get to know each other and made the environment a much more comfortable one. I got to work with a wide age group of patients with my youngest patient being 21 and oldest being 80, a lot of the patients were regulars that came in for the scheduled chemotherapy and I believe I'd enjoy working at a place where I can see my patients regularly and watch them progress and hopefully get better and beat cancer.