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• Instructional Module 6: Obstetrics Community Clinical Experience

Community Site: City of Lubbock - Department STD clinic.

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

I observed the screening process for STD where the pt is asked alot of questions about his/her sexual history. I also observed a pelvic exam on a female who was suspected to have trichomonas. I drew blood on a pt for a syphilis test.

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

I got to see the trichomonas parasite under a microscope in the lab. I also saw the cervix when the Nurse Prac did the pelvic exam which was interesting.

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

I would definitely consider working as a community nurse. The environment appealed to me because its not as chaotic as a hospital. And the nurses do the same thing over and over which is screening for STD and teaching pts while also giving meds. This also appeals to me because there are rarely any surprises and with time I can get more efficient at my job.

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

Yes, it meets the needs of the population. First off, I learnt the STD services they offer are free to the pts which is awesome considering not all of them are insured. They also made sure the pt had everything they needed before leaving for example they would give them the meds there so they ~~did~~ didn't have to go to a pharmacy to pick it up.

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?

Yes I witnessed pt teaching. The pts were taught to use condoms during intercourse, they were ~~also~~ taught to get tested regularly especially if they have multiple sexual partners. They were also taught about the signs and symptoms of an STI ~~and~~ or the most prevalent STIs and what to look out for. I felt that the teaching was adequate. They were great at addressing a pt's specific needs for example teaching for a pt who came in for testing due to multiple sexual partners would be slightly different from another pt who caught an STI from her husband.

6. Provide examples of care describing *one or more* of the IM6 Student Learning Outcomes.

<b>IM6 Student Learning Outcomes</b>				
<b>Safety &amp; Quality</b>	<b>Clinical Judgment</b>	<b>Patient Centered Care</b>	<b>Professionalism</b>	<b>Communication &amp; Collaboration</b>
<i>Formulate a plan of care for the childbearing family, and the patient with mental health disorders using evidence-based practice, safety, and quality principles.</i>	<i>Demonstrate clinical judgment using evidence-based data in making clinical decisions for the childbearing family, and the patient with mental health disorders.</i>	<i>Demonstrate family centered care based on the needs of the childbearing family, and the patient with mental health disorders.</i>	<i>Relate knowledge, skills, and attitudes required of the professional nurse by advocating and providing care to the childbearing families, and the patient with mental health disorders.</i>	<i>Communicate and collaborate effectively with patients, family, and members of the interdisciplinary team in the childbearing family, and the patient with mental health disorders.</i>

**Safety & Quality:**

**Clinical Judgment:** The nurse recognized that the pt was uncomfortable taking metronidazole PO medicine. So she let the nurse practitioner know, who changed the med to a gel that she can apply to her vaginal area and the pt was happy about that.

**Patient Centered Care:**

**Professionalism:**

**Communication & Collaboration:**