

N433 – Active Learning for Ambulatory Nurse Shadowing Experience

Complete this Active Learning activity after your clinical with the Ambulatory Clinic Nurse. Submit your completed assignment to the dropbox within 72 hours of this clinical rotation (Monday @ 2359). **Be sure you look at the attached rubric as you write up this assignment because it must be written with accurate grammar, spelling, and APA format for references.** Your score will be based on this rubric. You must receive 77% (38.5 points) in order to pass this clinical assignment. **Each question must contain at least 100 words minimum.**

1. How does this clinical site relate to the course?

- a. The Carle Clinic I shadowed in dramatically relates to this course because we gave a lot of vaccinations previously learned about in this course. I also observed many patient calming efforts on the nurse's part for children scared of immunization shots like the ones learned in class. I also learned much about answering parent or patient questions over Carle's online patient messaging service, doing assessments over the messenger, and referring specific patients at risk to the ER. Many of the parents' questions were about a condition I had already learned about in class, including problems with diarrhea or things like swollen bug bites. It was also interesting to see the nurses doing more community work, such as contacting the school nurse to discuss patient care.

2. How were you an engaged nursing professional today?

- a. This clinical seemed to be less hands-on and more on the computer, helping patients from a distance. While on the computers with the nurses, they taught me about the SOAP acronym for fast documentation, which is an organized way to write subjective information, objective information, assessment data, and a plan regarding a patient issue. I also got to observe the vaccinations of twins who had not been up to date on immunizations, and each had to get three shots that visit, so it was a good learning opportunity. I also took a few blood sugar readings and watched a strep throat swab collection.

3. How did you contribute to the service provided by the clinic nurse today?

- a. I contributed to the nurse's service today by providing an extra set of hands while doing immunizations. The twins we had to give shots to were only about seven years old, crying and trying to move away from the needle, so holding them steady was helpful. I also grabbed most smaller equipment for the nurse, like bandaids, alcohol wipes, and stickers/candy. She also allowed me to give a vaccination to an older child while she went over education with the mother about it. I also helped take blood glucose readings for a couple of patients and assisted with vitals during a physical assessment.

4. Name 3 ways this clinical site impacts Pediatric health?

- a. This clinic significantly impacts pediatric health by administering vaccinations as a preventative health measure. Vaccination stops certain diseases from even occurring, preventing childhood death. This clinic also does a lot of educating. From phone questions to answering messages on the Carle app, these nurses were constantly busy from referring patients to the ER or from things like giving instructions for bug bites. The

education of parents is vital in pediatric nursing to promote child health. This clinic also makes communication between interprofessional team members a priority improving pediatric health by making referrals, contacting school nurses, and promptly sending SOAP documentation to providers for quick answers to questions or prescriptions refills.

5. What are the health risks of the population served during today's clinical based on your observations today?

- a. Health risks I observed during this clinic included inadequate parent knowledge on vaccination. A father had not stuck on schedule with his children's immunizations, causing them to get three shots in one visit. Besides painful pokes, his children are at risk for preventable diseases if they're not vaccinated on schedule (Ricci et al., 2022). We also answered many questions regarding a child with diarrhea with no known cause. We just supplied the parent with knowledge of oral rehydration solutions and signs and symptoms that should warrant the child to be seen by a medical professional such as severe dehydration. We also had a suspected strep infection which we then did a swab to confirm.

6. Choose one of the health risks identified in question 5 and develop a plan of care to address this. Include a Nursing diagnosis, a measurable goal, and at least 3 Nursing interventions to achieve this goal.

- a. The health risk I've chosen is non-vaccinated children with a nursing diagnosis of readiness for enhanced immunization status related to the children not being up to date on immunizations, as evidenced by the father stating, "just give them all the vaccines they can have today to catch them up." One measurable goal for the father is to bring his children back for their next vaccination appointment so they can stay on track with their required immunizations. The first intervention is to vaccinate children today and plan follow-up appointments for future vaccinations. The second intervention would be to educate the father on the importance of vaccinations. Lastly, I would educate him on the signs and symptoms of vaccine hypersensitivity since his children received many shots today.

7. How will your experience during the Ambulatory Clinic job shadowing impact your Nursing practice?

- a. This clinic experience will most certainly impact my nursing practice because I have learned much about caring for patients from their homes. With the Carle patient messaging app, assessing a patient from a distance was a skill I had yet to see in my clinical practice. These nurses were also making critical follow-up calls and discussing and educating patient's on lab values. They also informed patients of signs and symptoms associated with an illness that required prompt investigation and treatment by a medical professional. I also plan on using the SOAP acronym when summarizing a patient's problem for the provider.

Reference:

Ricci, S. S., Kyle, T., & Carman, S. (2021). *Maternity and pediatric nursing* (4th ed.). Wolters Kluwer.

N433 Grading Rubric Nurse Shadowing Clinical Paper
50 Total Points Possible

CRITERION	POOR	FAIR	GOOD
<p>-Concise and Complete</p> <p><i>Total Weight- 5 points</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Content is incomplete. - Major points are not clear and /or persuasive <p>Weight-1 point</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Content is not comprehensive and /or persuasive. - Major points are addressed but not well supported. - Research is inadequate or does not address course concepts. <p>Weight- 3 points</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Content is comprehensive, accurate, and persuasive. - Major points are stated clearly and are well supported. - Content and purpose of the writing are clear. <p>Weight- 5 points</p>
<p>Critique of experience-Evaluation and Rationale for your comments</p> <p><i>Total Weight- 10 points</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Organization and structure detract from the message of the writer. - Paragraphs are disjointed and lack transition of thoughts. - Lack of evaluation and rationale for comments <p>Weight- 1 point</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Structure of the paragraphs is not easy to follow. - Paragraph transitions need improvement. - Lack of adequate evaluation and rationale for comments <p>Weight- 5 points</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Structure of the paragraphs is clear and easy to follow. - Good evaluation and rationale for comments <p>Weight- 10 points</p>
<p>Thoughtful Reflection- How will this affect your practice, or will it?</p> <p><i>Total Points- 10 points</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Paper lacks many elements of correct formatting. - Paragraphs are inadequate or excessive in length. - Unspecific as to how this experience will impact your nursing practice or not. <p>Weight- 1 point</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Paper follows most guidelines. - Paper is over/ under word length. - Lacks some specifics as to how this experience will impact your nursing practice or not. <p>Weight-5 points</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Paper follows designated guidelines. - Paper is the appropriate length as described for the assignment. - States clearly as to how this experience will impact nursing practice or not and why. <p>Weight-10 points</p>
<p>APA Format Correct spelling/Grammar.</p> <p>Must use 1 scholarly reference (published within the last 5 years)</p> <p><i>Total Weight- 10 points</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Lack of APA format. - Paper contains numerous grammatical, punctuation, and spelling errors. - Language uses jargon or conversational tone - Lack of APA citation use and a Reference page for references used. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Inappropriate APA format. - Paper contains few grammatical, punctuation, and spelling errors. - Language lacks clarity or includes the use of some jargon or conversational tone. - Inappropriate APA citation use and a Reference page for references used. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Correct APA format. - Rules of grammar, usage, and punctuation are followed; spelling is correct. - Language is clear and precise; sentences display consistently strong, varied structure - Correct APA citation and a Reference page for references used.

	Weight- 1 point	Weight- 5 points	Weight- 10 points
<p>Nursing diagnosis is appropriate for this setting; goal/outcome is measurable; Nursing interventions are appropriate and thorough.</p> <p><i>Total Weight- 10 points</i></p>	<p>ND is inaccurate for the setting; goal/outcome is not measurable, or Nursing interventions are inappropriate or inadequate.</p> <p>Weight- 1 point</p>	<p>- ND accurate for the setting; goal/outcome is measurable, but Nursing interventions are inappropriate or inadequate.</p> <p>Weight- 5 points</p>	<p>- ND accurate for the setting; goal/outcome is measurable; Nursing interventions appropriate and adequate for this setting.</p> <p>Weight- 10 points</p>
<p>Paper submitted to dropbox within 72 hours of the School Nurse shadow experience.</p> <p><i>Total Weight- 5 points</i></p>	<p>- Paper submitted to dropbox or discussion board late.</p> <p>Weight- 1 point</p>		<p>- Paper submitted to dropbox on time.</p> <p>Weight- 5 points</p>

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