

## Crisis Nursery Legacy Project Reflection

### 1. How does the clinical site relate to Population/Global Health?

- The Crisis Nursery serves Champaign County by providing 24/7 care for children aged newborn-6 years old prior to a crisis. This program is a non-profit organization that provides support to families and children by creating an "Island of Safety" to prevent abuse and neglect of children during a crisis. This clinical site promotes the safety and well-being of children while being a free service to families in need.

### 2. How were you an engaged nursing professional today?

- While at the Crisis Nursery, this nursing student prioritized completing tasks that benefited the organization's values and mission. This clinical site does not employ nursing professionals. Due to this, this nursing student was able to educate the staff and volunteers on the nursing profession.

### 3. How did you contribute to the service of the community today?

- During the time spent at Crisis Nursery, this nursing student was given a tour of the clinical site. This nursing student helped fold and organize bins of children's clothing, organize closets with inventory, and count/sort brochure handouts for future events. This nursing student also provided different items that are needed by the facility, such as snacks for the children and cleaning supplies.

### 4. Name 3 ways this clinical site impacts the community health.

- This clinical site provides 24/7 crisis care for parents and families without charge. No matter the crisis, this clinical site provides clothing, food, hygiene, education, and a place to sleep for parents, children, and families.
- This clinical site provides other services and programs such as the Safe Children Program, Strong Families Program, Beyond Blue Program, and Paving Pathways Program.
- Since the Crisis Nursery is utilized as a "crisis" situation, the organization does not require income eligibility or pay for their services. They provide to the community at no cost.

### 5. Name one way this site could better serve the community and why.

- This nursing student felt that the community could better serve the organization if their services were marketed better. This could be done by partnering with other local healthcare facilities to promote their services while also gaining volunteers. If the organization was promoted more, they would benefit from more volunteers and more items being donated.

6. What health risks are experienced by the population served by today's clinical site?

- A few health risks that the population could experience at Crisis Nursery include common childhood illnesses, such as the common cold, strep throat, and stomach viruses. The most common health risks that the Crisis Nursery tries to prevent are abuse and neglect. This clinical site does not provide healthcare to the children and families, but are within walking distance from a local hospital if needed.