

N433 – Active Learning for School Nurse Shadowing Experience

Complete this Active Learning activity after your clinical with the School 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. Each question must contain at least 100 words minimum.**

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

School nursing plays a key role in pediatric care by bringing healthcare and education together into one concept. In our pediatric class, these student nurses learn about healthcare needs of children, including managing chronic conditions, providing first aid, and addressing developmental concerns. School nurses apply these concepts in real-life settings, ensuring students' physical and emotional well-being during school hours. They collaborate with parents, teachers, and healthcare providers to support students' health, administer medications, and manage emergencies. This connection highlights the importance of comprehensive care and preventive health strategies in fostering a safe, healthy learning environment for children.

2. How were you an engaged nursing professional today?

The school nurse was conducting hearing and vision tests today while we were at Georgetown grade school. She allowed us to watch her do these tests and explain to us the criteria that she had to go through to be able to conduct these tests. She informed us and showed us the logs of the children who needed medications before lunch. She also allowed us to help a child who had an accident, and we helped her clean her up. We were able to learn about the many ways that the school nurse helps every child and the benefits of having a school nurse on campus.

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

The student nurse contributed to the service of the school nurse today by helping the children with instructions for the vision and hearing screens. This student nurse also helped the school nurse by handing out ice packs to children who needed them. The student nurse helped a teacher's aide as well with helping a child who had diarrhea and making sure that the child was properly cleaned and had new clothes.

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

One way that a school nurse impacts pediatric health is the management of the medications that these children take on a day-to-day basis when they are not at home. Another way that this clinical site impacts pediatric health is that the student the school nurse informs and educates the children on the correct ways of taking their medication in providing optimal health. Another way that this clinical site impacts pediatric health is that it allows the students to ask questions that they might not feel comfortable asking their parents and this is seen a lot in everyday health as well.

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

There are a few health risks that I saw today during my clinical. The student the school nurse was conducting hearing and vision screenings today and the student nurse noticed that she did not wipe or clean off the equipment in between children. This is a safety hazard due to a lot of respiratory infections going around at this time of the year and this makes children more susceptible to catching those viruses. Another health risk that was seen today by the student nurse was that the school nurse did not bleach and disinfect the office when a child came in that had an episode of diarrhea and another student had a bloody nose and did not disinfect. This will need to be addressed due to an infection control issue.

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.

Risk for infection as evidenced by uncleanliness in the school nurse office related to bacteria from many different children (Phelps, 2023).

A measurable goal that can be implemented for this nurse nursing diagnosis can be to disinfect and clean the materials used on each child in between children

A nursing intervention that can be implemented for this goal is to always have disinfecting equipment nearby. Another nursing intervention that became implemented for this goal can be to disinfect all the materials used for each child. Another nursing intervention for this goal can be to have a sign or some sort of indication of when each of the materials have been sanitized.

7. How will your experience during the School Nurse job shadowing impact your Nursing practice?

The experience that I had as the school nurse clinical will help the student nurse in her nursing career because a school nurse is a foundation of optimal health for children due to the school nurse being able to see and take care of these children on a day-to-day basis. The school nurse educated and informed the children on how to provide optimal health and to know when and why they should take their medications on time. This experience was very eye opening because the school nurse informed the student nurse that most of these children who take medications were not complying and they were getting very sick. She told us that she has helped many of these children understand why they need to take these medications.

References:

Phelps, L.L. (2023). *Nursing diagnosis reference manual* (12th 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 Weight- 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. <p>Weight- 1 point</p>	<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. <p>Weight- 5 points</p>	<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. <p>Weight- 10 points</p>
<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, and Nursing interventions are inappropriate or inadequate.</p> <p>Weight- 1 point</p>	<p>- ND accurate for the setting; goal/outcome is not measurable, OR 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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