

Clinical Experience Summary

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N432: Maternal Newborn-Care

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The nursing diagnosis that is prioritized in the client's case is "Impaired gas exchange related to respiratory distress as evidenced by visible respiratory retractions and O2 stats below 85%" (Durham et al., 2023). This nursing diagnosis was chosen based on the fundamental prioritization of the airway and breathing in nursing practice. Without proper gas exchange, the infant is at great risk of developing respiratory acidosis, hypoxia, or pneumothorax (MedlinePlus, 2023).

Interventions for impaired gas exchange are crucial. Potential interventions may include suctioning the airway, administering oxygen therapy, and maintaining a neutral thermal environment (Durham et al., 2023). Suctioning the airway involves using a device that uses suction power to clear secretions from the airway (Capriotti, 2024). This ensures there is nothing actively blocking the passage of oxygen and may improve oxygenation to the body. Oxygen therapy is supplemental oxygen that is administered through nasal cannula, CPAP, or non-rebreather mask directly to the client's airway (Capriotti, 2024). Oxygen therapy ensures that sufficient oxygen is being drawn into the body. A neutral thermal environment for an infant is maintained by swaddling them or utilizing devices such as the Panda Warmer. By maintaining a neutral thermal environment, the infant will not have to expend extra energy, oxygen, and glucose to maintain a healthy temperature (Durham et al., 2023).

The evaluation of airway suctioning is the clearness and patency of the airway. The evaluation of oxygen therapy is the oxygen saturation reading. The neutral thermal environment is evaluated by the room and body temperature (Durham et al., 2023).

A client's culture is based on beliefs, attitudes, and experiences. This client is the product of a twin pregnancy which resulted in certain preferences and attitudes even as an infant. The client maintained a C position during admission and found comfort in this position. This is most likely due to the decreased space twins have in utero. The client was also admitted without the presence of a caregiver due to the needs of the other infant on a separate floor.

I was put out of my comfort zone when asked to insert an orogastric tube. This is not something I have attempted before and I have only learned this skill on adults. However, I completed it successfully with the help and support of the nurses. During my time in the NICU I saw several instances of coordination between the healthcare team. One example that stands out to me is during the new admission one nurse was completing the head-to-toe assessment while another nurse charted the observations. Meanwhile, a third nurse was inserting an IV catheter. I felt that the teamwork was excellent and helped ensure the admission process was done correctly and efficiently.

References

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N432 Clinical Experience Summary Rubric

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Criteria	5 points	2.5 points	0 points	Comments
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is the priority nursing diagnosis for your patient? • Why did you choose this diagnosis? 	<p>Includes complete and accurate information on all criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is the priority nursing diagnosis for your patient? • Why did you choose this diagnosis? 	<p>Missing 1 or inaccurate information of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is the priority nursing diagnosis for your patient? • Why did you choose this diagnosis? 	<p>Missing 2 or more or inaccurate information of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is the priority nursing diagnosis for your patient? • Why did you choose this diagnosis? 	
Criteria	15 points	7.5 points	0 points	Comments
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify 3 nursing interventions that were completed during clinical. • Describe each intervention. • Explain why each intervention was completed. 	<p>Includes complete and accurate information on all criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify 3 nursing interventions that were seen or done during clinical. • Describe each intervention. • Explain why each intervention was completed. 	<p>Missing 1-2 or inaccurate information of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify 3 nursing interventions that were seen or done during clinical. • Describe each intervention. • Explain why each intervention was completed. 	<p>Missing 3 or more or inaccurate information of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify 3 nursing interventions that were seen or done during clinical. • Describe each intervention. • Explain why each intervention was completed. 	
Criteria	10 points	5 points	0 points	Comments

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Evaluation of each of the previously identified nursing interventions 	<p>Includes complete and accurate information on all criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Evaluation of each of the previously identified nursing interventions 	<p>Missing 1-2 or inaccurate information of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Evaluation of each of the previously identified nursing interventions 	<p>Missing 2 or more or inaccurate information of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Evaluation of each of the previously identified nursing interventions 	
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Describe this patient culture. Identify a minimum of 2 patient preferences that relate to their culture. 	<p>Includes complete and accurate information on all criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Describe this patient culture. Identify a minimum of 2 patient preferences relating to their culture. 	<p>Missing 1 or inaccurate information of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Describe this patient culture. Identify a minimum of 2 patient preferences relating to their culture. 	<p>Missing 2 or more or inaccurate information of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Describe this patient culture. Identify a minimum of 2 patient preferences relating to their culture. 	
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reflection of clinical experience. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> What was one thing that made you feel uncomfortable? In what way did you see coordination between the health care team to provide appropriate care to the patient? 	<p>Includes complete and accurate information on all criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reflection of clinical experience. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> What was one thing that made you feel uncomfortable? In what way did you see coordination between the health 	<p>Missing 1 or inaccurate information of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reflection of clinical experience. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> What was one thing that made you feel uncomfortable? In what way did you see coordination between the health care team to provide appropriate care to the patient? 	<p>Missing 2 or more or inaccurate information of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reflection of clinical experience. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> What was one thing that made you feel uncomfortable? In what way 	

	care team to provide appropriate care to the patient?		did you see coordination between the health care team to provide appropriate care to the patient?	
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APA Format <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 page minimum • The student used appropriate APA in text citations and listed all appropriate references in APA format. • Source(s) utilized should be 5 or less years old. • Source(s) greater than 5 years old will not be accepted. • Professional writing style and grammar was used in all narrative sections. 	Includes complete and accurate information on all criteria: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 page minimum. • The student used appropriate APA in text citations and listed all appropriate references in APA format. • All sources utilized were 5 or less years old. • Professional writing style and grammar was used in all narrative sections. 	Missing 1 or inaccurate information of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 page minimum. • The student used appropriate APA in text citations and listed all appropriate references in APA format. • All sources utilized were 5 or less years old. • Professional writing style and grammar was used in all narrative sections 	Missing 2 or more or inaccurate information of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 page minimum. • The student used appropriate APA in text citations and listed all appropriate references in APA format. • All sources utilized were 5 or less years old. • Professional writing style and grammar was used in all narrative sections 	
Instructor Comments:				

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