

## **Clinical Reflections: Wound Clinic**

See the grading rubric below:

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

This clinical site relates to population and global health by reducing health care costs and being able to help with the more at-risk populations such as people with comorbidities like diabetes and hypertension. This clinical site also offered Hyperbaric oxygen therapy for patients who have cancer and decided to use this as a form of treatment. The hyperbaric oxygen therapy also helps patients who have chronic wounds.

2. How were you an engaged nursing professional during this clinical experience?

I was an engaged nursing professional by speaking to clients and the interdisciplinary team professionally and thoroughly. I asked lots of questions on treatment plans and the overall outcomes of some of the patients wound therapies. I learned a lot today at this rotation site because I was very hands on with the clients.

3. How did you or could you contribute to the service of the community through this clinical site?

This nursing student contributed to the community by helping wrap and dress wounds. I also helped room patients and took vitals and had a professional manner while doing so. I went around with the doctor and heard

how he communicated with the patients and their treatment plan which helped better understand my knowledge on wound care.

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

Three ways that the wound clinic impacts community health is having higher rates of wound healing outcomes, reducing the number of times the patient will have to be hospitalized, and this supports more of the chronic wounds, such as diabetic foot ulcers.

5. Name 1 way this clinical site could better serve the community and why?

One way that this clinical site could better serve the community is having more hours. A lot of people work Monday through Friday and the wound clinic only see patients until 4 pm. If they opened the clinic on weekends or extended hours this would better serve the working community.

6. What health risks are experienced by the population served by this clinical site?

Health risks that are associated with this area of nursing is primarily infections. All the patients that come into the wound clinic have wounds that can potentially lead to infection. The wound clinic is very good about taking care of these patient's and helping them heal as fast as they can.