

Clinical Reflections: Family Medicine

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 seeing patients of all ages and providing care for them. This clinical site takes care of the public and allows the patient to have a primary care provider. Family medicine impacts overall health for everyone.

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

I was an engaged nursing professional by sitting with the nurse and helping her problem solve issues that patients were having over the phone. I watched the nurse call patients and let them know about their lab results and help schedule them for follow up appointments.

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 the nurse make appointments and helping run lab work to the lab after a patient needed a STAT lab result. With the family medicine rotation, the nurses do a lot of computer work, so it was a lot of answering messages and calling patients about lab work.

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

Three ways that the family medicine clinic impacts community health is the improvement of the access to healthcare by having a primary care provider, builds rapport with providers and patients, and supports the overall health of the community.

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 during the week, and the family medicine clinic only sees patients until 5 pm. The next thing that is available is convenient care and they are open until 8 pm.

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 respiratory infections such as the flu or COVID. It is the middle of flu season, so this area of the clinic has a majority of patients coming in for respiratory concerns. Wearing a mask and keeping hydrated can help tremendously.