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This week during my clinical rotation, I was working with a 4year old boy, who was diagnosed with Strep throat. Strep throat is a bacterial infection that can cause sore throat and spread throughout the body. He was taking antibiotics medication to treat the infection and also, he was taking Tylenol to relieve the pain. I went inside the room to introduce myself but he was sleeping, while his mother was inside the room with him. One of the Doctor came to check his throat and he refused to open his mouth. His mom had to hold him in order for the Doctor to examine him.

I was able to work on my technical skills, by taking his vital signs, and he was letting me know which arm to place the blood pressure cuff. His vital signs were normal, and it was my greatest accomplishment because it was my first time taking a child's vital signs. My greatest challenge was taking his axillary temperature, he was moving a lot and I was not able to have accurate reading. I had to do it several times to have a normal accurate reading. I was able to build a small communication skill with his mom, she told us her background. Both she and my classmate are from Nigeria.

We had a group activity; we were doing BMI percentile for children and I need to improve in this area. My professor was able to help me calculate the percentile using the formula. For my growth this week, I successfully learned to take vital signs in children.

For this week I read Matthew 19: 4" Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. 'Honor your father and mother' — which is the first commandment with a promise — 'so that it may go well with you and that you may enjoy long life on the earth'" Since I was working

with a child, I was able to observed a mother and son relationship. Also, the sacrifices parents make for the children. Thus, we should continue to encourage children to obey their parents.

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