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This week during my clinical rotation, I was working with a 10-year-old boy, who was in the room with his mother. He is diagnosed with cellulitis. Cellulitis is a bacterial skin infection and can be spread rapidly. The patient had red rashes on his left elbow, and it was warm to touch. He was on contact and droplet precaution. Before we entered the room, we had to do hand hygiene and wear our PPE. The patient was alert and oriented 4 times. He was able to state his name and date of birth. He came to the hospital because he had fever for two days.

I was able to work on my technical skills, by taking his vital signs, and we did a focus assessment for him. I took his blood pressure on his right foot because he had IV insertion on his right arm, and he had the rash on his left arm. His vital signs were normal except his temperature, it was elevated. We reported his temperature to the nurse for further treatment. He was on regular diet. He also on continuous IV fluid dextrose 5% and sodium chloride.

My greatest accomplishment was able to identify the type of rash, it was macule, and the provider marked the edges of the red area to monitor if the infection is getting worse or better. My greatest challenge was taking his oxygen saturation level, I did not place the sensor in proper position, and I did not receive an accurate reading. My professor was in the room with me, and she was able to teach me the proper position. Then, I was able to obtain an accurate reading.

I was unable to build a strong communication skill with the family due to language barrier. The mother of the patient speaks Spanish, but the patient can speak English. He was watching cartoons and I asked him if it was his favorite cartoons and he stated no. I built communication skills with my classmates; we did a group activity together. My growth for this

week was learning about children's diseases. I had to search ten diseases usually occur in children. I need to improve on performing hourly check and be able to ask more questions.

For this week I read Psalms 107:1 Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his love endures forever. I just wanted to Thank God for his mercy and for things he has done in my life.

#### References

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