



Practical Nursing
Nursing Professional:
Practice: Agency
NRSG1024

NURSING PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE: AGENCY

COURSE HOURS: 42 Hrs.

6 Hrs./Week x 7 Weeks

COURSE SCHEDULE: Days: _____

Times: _____

Locations: _____

FACILITATOR: _____

DIVISION: NURSING PROGRAMS

OFFICE LOCATION: _____

Tel: _____ Ext. _____

e-mail: _____

Office Hrs. _____

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This practicum experience will be 7 weeks in length and includes:

1. Practicum – Frail Elderly Weeks 8 – 14
6 Hrs./Wk. • This practicum component will take place in a long term care facility. You will be in this facility for one 6 hour day, each of the 7 weeks.

Your practicum mentor (agency) may be a different person than you have for practicum (community). Nevertheless there are many things you will talk about in class to get prepared for your first agency practicum experience. Your Professional Practice Manual contains information on dress code, student expectations, mentor expectations, how to complete necessary paperwork and other relevant topics.

Your practicum mentor will go over some of this material in class and you will re-visit this information on orientation day with your practicum mentor.

This package contains some helpful forms to read before the “big day”. Practicum is the place where you get to apply all the classroom and nursing resource center knowledge you have accumulated in the past weeks. Please read over the course pack and write down any questions you may have on the following page.

You may want to add to this list whenever you think of something new. You are the master of your own destiny when it comes to being prepared for your chosen profession – nursing.

RESOURCES

College of Nurses of Ontario (2006). *Standards of practice for nurses in Ontario*. Toronto: College of Nurses.

Kozier, B., et al. (2014). *Fundamentals of Canadian nursing*. (3rd ed.). Toronto, ON: Pearson.

Wingard, B. (2011). *Unlocking medical terminology*. (2nd ed.). Toronto, ON: Pearson.

One of the aims of our lived experience-based curriculum is the development of students’ ability/capacity to think and act like a nurse. It is through your lived experience with clients, and their support persons and families that you learn to understand health care situations and the nurse’s role. Through your caring relationship with persons you begin to see patterns and trends as you relate knowledge and theory in this situation.

Practicum provides you with the opportunity to test your knowledge, interpretations, thinking and validations for meaning and significance. It is for this reason that we believe your ongoing presence in the practicum area with clients is important. It is through repeated exposures to the same, similar or different situations that you can begin thinking about the meaning and significance of the many experiences and opportunities that occur.

Each semester provides practicum experience which enables students to observe and work along side nurses and health care providers in their work settings. In this way, nursing students experience first hand what it means to care for individuals and their families experiencing a variety of health challenges.

Practicum involves the opportunity to apply learned theory in practice. This can be accomplished by ensuring that students actively engage in various practice settings to promote socialization into the role of the Registered Practical Nurse.

Your first day will be an Orientation Day at the facility and may include:

- Fire Policy & Procedure
- WHMIS
- Infection Control
- Elder Abuse and Least Restraint
- Other

It is an expectation of our program that attendance is required in all Nursing Professional Practice courses. Students are expected to attend all days when practicum is offered. Practicum experience is essential in educating nursing students and there are Ministry requirements for the number of practicum hours provided in nursing programs.

Attendance will be recorded and is considered for progression decisions and employment reference checks.

Absenteeism will be assessed on an individual basis by the practicum mentor. It is important to make personal appointments outside of scheduled practicum hours. **ANY MISSED TIME** in a rotation will warrant a meeting with the practicum mentor and either a Collaborative Success Plan or Memo of Concern will be developed.

If illness occurs prior to the practicum experience, it is your responsibility to notify the nursing practice setting and your practicum mentor following the Attendance policy in the Professional Practice Manual.

You must have a completed your Clinical Preparedness Permit and vulnerable sector screen prior to the practicum experience and will be asked by your practicum mentor to show a copy of the permit.

SUCCESS IN THIS COURSE IS DEPENDENT ON:

- Your satisfactory progression toward the appropriate Praxis Competencies related to the Practice Concepts.
- Continuously meeting the identified overriding principles related to accountability and responsibility, safety and professional standards.
- Satisfactory completion of required Reflective Progress Notes as identified in Professional Practice Manual, and a Final Review.

You must obtain a pass to be successful in this course.

GEORGIAN PRACTICAL NURSING PROGRAM

GUIDELINES ON CLIENT CONFIDENTIALITY

Every patient has the legal and moral right to confidentiality of all information concerning attendance, condition, and/or treatment as it relates to personal health matters.

It is the responsibility of each health professional to ensure that such confidentiality is maintained at all times.

The patient has the right to expect that individuals who have access to this information will use it only in the context of their care and then under conditions that will guarantee its confidentiality. Conversations about patient situations should not be conducted in public where you would unknowingly be overheard.

Confidentiality Statement:

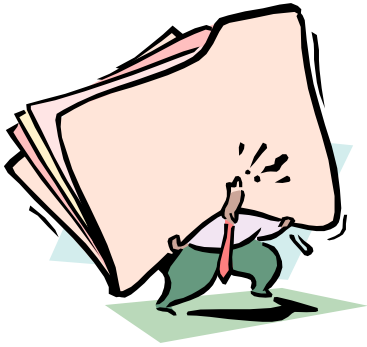
I have read the above guidelines and acknowledge that any information that I may gain concerning patients and/or their families while enrolled in the Georgian Practical Nursing Program will be held in strict confidence at all times.

Student's Signature: _____

Print Name: _____

Student # _____

Date: _____



QUESTIONS I HAVE ABOUT PRACTICUM

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
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14. _____
15. _____

My agency practicum mentor is:

The agency I will be going to is:

Agency floor, phone number, etc.

Hours of practicum:

Resources I need to take to practicum:

NOTES FOR ORIENTATION

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INTERACTIVE REVIEW PROCESS FORMS

(used in Semester 1 clinical)

- **Reflective Progress Notes**

- **Final Review**

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REFLECTIVE PROGRESS NOTES

Course: _____

Date: _____

Student's Name: _____

Practicum Mentor: _____

Student Signature: _____

Date: _____

Mentor Signature: _____

Date: _____

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PROGRESS/FINAL REVIEW – STUDENT/MENTOR

Note: This Progress/Final Review form must be completed, signed and submitted with the portfolio. The original review is kept as part of the student's permanent college practicum record, along with the mentor's Progress/Final Review.

Nursing Professional Practice: Year _____ Semester _____

Student Name: _____ Student #: _____

Agency/ Area: _____

Number of Hrs. Offered: _____ # Hrs. Missed: _____

Math Mastery: Yes No Portfolio/Journal: Satisfactory Unsatisfactory

Copy given to Student: Yes No

LIST SKILLS COMPLETED DURING ROTATION (student to complete):

COMPLETE AN ASSESSMENT OF PROGRESS FOR EACH OF THE FOLLOWING CONCEPTS:

CARING & COMPETENCY:

CARING AND CONNECTEDNESS:

CARING AND HEALTH AND HEALING PROMOTION:

CARING AND CRITICAL THINKING:

CARING AND PROFESSIONALISM:

COLLABORATIVE COMMENTS FROM THE STUDENT/MENTOR REVIEW MEETING:

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

Mentor Signature: _____ Date: _____

***This document is part of your permanent student file
and will accompany you throughout the PN program.***