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**Student Clinical Weekly Objectives
PTA- 4 weeks**

**Week 1 Objectives:**

* First Day through first week: Attend Orientation, complete crescendo training and computer mandatories at office with designated CTL
* First Day: Tour of VHCS facilities
* CI and Student discuss student’s preferred learning style
* Discuss personal goals for this affiliation and discussion with supervisor to include interest in observing other disciplines (Pediatrics, OT, SLP, SN)
* Become familiar with patient charts and paperwork
* Observe patient treatment with supervisor
* Introduction to proper bag and infection control techniques
* Properly assess vital signs of at least 2 patients
* Receive first patient/patients from supervisor’s caseload
* Begin writing notes on assigned patients (and those treated by CI)
* Attend meetings, in-services as scheduled
* Plan observation experience if appropriate

**Week 2 Objectives:**

* Begin active participation in treatment for assigned patients by performing at least 2 activities each session
* Begin independent treatment with direct supervision for assigned patients
* Now responsible for 1-2 patients per day or up to 25% of caseload by the end of the week
* Write notes for assigned patients
* Begin Caregiver communication with training and instruction
* Prepare HEP’s as needed for patients
* Review treatment plans with CI
* Discuss patients with supervising PT
* Meet for mid-term evaluation

**Week 3 Objectives:**

* Increase independence with treatment sessions for assigned patients
* Continue working on treatment plans for assigned patients
* Continue to improve on caregiver communication with training and instruction
* Prepare HEP’s as needed for patients
* Now responsible for 2-3 patients per day or 25%-50% of caseload by the end of the week
* Increase knowledge base and skills by asking questions, modifying treatment plans, and trying new activities or techniques
* Write notes for assigned patients
* Observe PT evaluation/ Observe treatment in another area (if applicable)
* Meet with CI to review expectations weekly. Discuss problems, concerns, what’s working and any other issues

**Week 4 Objectives**

* Continue treatment plans for assigned patients, refine treatment plans so that they are more specific
* Increased involvement with patients and family
* Carry a caseload of 50%-75% by the end of the week
* Work on completing documentation for assigned caseload including written home programs
* Inform patients of transition back to CI
* Turn in nametag to CI (if applicable)
* Final evaluation