

## **PTA Student Objectives : Acute Care**

### **Week 1 Objectives:**

- Complete the Orientation: get badge, parking pass,
- Discuss student's preferred learning style with the CI
- Discuss personal goals for this affiliation with the CI
- Introduction to other team members and other disciplines
- Tour of facilities
- Attend Epic training
- Become familiar with patient charts and the layout of the charts
- Observe patient treatment with CI
- Review charts for assigned patients.
  - Will be assigned 1-2 new patients a day.
  - Plan 2-3 activities for assigned patients
- Begin writing notes on assigned patients (treated by CI)
- Attend meetings, in-services
- Begin thinking of topic for student in-service

### **Week 2 Objectives:**

- Begin active participation in treatment for assigned patients by performing activities of the treatment plan written by the PT
- Topic for student in-service due by the end of the week, schedule in-service for last week of clinical
- Assign 2 new patients a day (now responsible for 3-4 patients per day)
  - Plan 4-5 activities for assigned patient
- Write notes for assigned patients
- Observe treatment with another discipline such as OT or Speech
- Meet with CI to review expectations weekly. Discuss problems, concerns, what's working and any other issues
- Review treatment plans with CI
- Begin independent treatment with direct supervision for assigned patients
  - Responsible for 25% of caseload by end of week 2 including completing documentation
- Prepare for mid-term evaluation. Review personal goals
- Discuss patients with CI

### **Week 3 Objectives:**

- Increase independence with treatment sessions for assigned patients
- Continue working on treatment plans for assigned patients
- Now responsible for 5-6 patients per day or 50%-75% of caseload by the end of the week
- Increase knowledge base and skills by asking questions, and trying new activities or techniques and adjusting treatments to meet the patients' needs
- Write notes for assigned patients
  
- Meet for mid-term evaluation reviewing the CPI

### **Week 4 Objectives**

- Continue treatment plans for assigned patients, adjusts treatments so that they are more specific to patient needs
- Prepare for presentation of in-service
- Increased involvement with patients and family
- Carry a caseload of 75%-100% by the end of the week
- Work on completing documentation for assigned caseload including written home programs

### **Week 5 and Beyond Objectives**

- Carry full caseload and meet the expectations of an entry-level therapist
- Complete documentation for assigned caseload
- Present in-service
- Inform patients of transition back to CI
- Turn in nametag to CI
- Final evaluation reviewing the CPI