

Clinical Instructor Training



Nursing Education

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Clinical Guidelines

Training Requirements

- o Web-based Instructor Training
- o Shadowing Experience
 - o 12-24 hours if non Vanderbilt employee
 - o 8 hours if Vanderbilt employee
- o Competency Sheets
 - o Completed before beginning clinicals
 - o Can be validated by unit educator or staff nurse
 - o Return to Brandi or Jan

Feedback

Clinical Instructor:

- o Will be given in real time if possible
- o Information will be sent through school designee and NEPD

Student:

- o Will be given in real time if possible
- o Information will be given to instructor if possible
- o Otherwise information will be sent through school designee

Unit/RN:

- o Information will be given to school designee or NEPD staff

Conflict of Interest

Vanderbilt employee should:

- o Not engage in Vanderbilt business while serving as a clinical instructor
- o Use a personal email address for school communications
- o Submit a document disclosing the potential COI
- o Work within your current scope of practice
- o Wear a Vanderbilt Visitor ID during clinicals



Clinical Reminders

Bedside RN Primary Responsibilities:

- ◊ Administer or Cosign blood and/or blood products
- ◊ Perform Point of Care Testing
- ◊ EVD Management
- ◊ Chest Tube Management
- ◊ PCA/Epidural Management
- ◊ Central Line Dressing Changes
- ◊ Epilepsy Monitoring Unit Patient Care

Patient Assignments

- o Contact the Staffing Leader:
 - o 2100-2300 for AM clinicals
 - o by 1245 for PM clinicals
- o Fill out the Assignment sheet and post at the Nurses Station
- o Review patients together to determine if the assignment and acuity will meet your objectives based on the student skill mix
 - o EMU, Transitional, Negative Isolation, and Radiation patients should not be assigned

Patient Assignments

With the Staff Nurses:

- o Communicate throughout the clinical experience
 - o Outline expectations
 - o Review student scope of practice
 - o Make a plan with the RN if you need assistance, are changing the pt plan, or if have concerns
- o Students and Instructors should check out with the RN & CPs before leaving the floor

During Clinicals

- o All students must be accompanied by the instructor when they are on the floor, giving medications, and performing technical skills during the rotational experience.
- o All documentation is to be co-signed by the instructor.
- o In the event of emergencies the clinical instructor will receive direction from the Staffing Leader and will provide supervision to the students

Sharing Space

- Students should work outside of the patient rooms using the computers in-between the rooms and bring limited personal items

Fishbowls/Breakrooms:

- Are not a secure location for student belongings
- Should not be used for student conferences or gathering locations

Social Media & Privacy

- Cell Phones are not permitted in the patient work area. Personal calls should be taken off the unit.
- Resources can be found in the fishbowls, med rooms, or online
- All printed patient material must be disposed of at the end of clinicals.
- Name tags must be collected by the schools and destroyed at the end of the clinical experience.

Student Injury

- Fluid Splash/Needle Stick: Occupational Health during business hours
- Slip, Trips, Falls: Adult Emergency Room
- The student's personal insurance will be billed
- Occ Health/Adult Emergency Room will fill out a TN First Report of Work Injury



Documentation Reminders

All documentation is to be co-signed by the
instructor.

Documentation

Expectations

- o Vital Signs q4
- o Intake and Output q2
- o Activities of Daily Living
- o Nutrition by Nursing

Outside of Scope

- o Physical assessments q day
- o Pain scores q4
- o IV site checks q1
- o POCT
- o Braden scores
- o Pediatric Falls Safety
- o GCS

Measurements

○ Patients

- < 3 years: length, weight, and HC on all admissions
- >3 years: height and weight
- Patients are usually divided by age for day shift/night shift measurements
- Some pts are weighed at a specific time based on physician order.



Questions?