

## **CLINICAL EXPECTATIONS - OVERVIEW**

### **Allegheny College of Maryland Maternal – Advanced Medical Surgical – Nursing 215**

Students are required to have secured clinical agency sites and clinical preceptors according to the Clinical Policy and Procedure Guidelines. Failure to secure clinical sites or clinical preceptors will result in the student being dropped from the program. See LPN-RN Documents webpage.

Students must have a current and acceptable CPR card as outlined in the Nursing Policy Handbook. Students are required to read the Student and Preceptor Roles and Responsibilities guidelines prior to commencing clinical hours.

Students will complete the required clinical components under the direct supervision of an approved Clinical preceptor. Students are required to maintain a clinical log, documenting the number of clinical hours completed and the types of activities engaged in during the clinical experiences.

Clinical preceptors are required to sign the clinical log as part of the validation process for completion of clinical hours. Students must complete the required number of clinical hours for the course. **A minimum of one half of the required clinical hours for Nursing 215 must be completed by mid-term, and the remainder completed two weeks prior to the end of the semester. *Students' who fail to satisfactorily complete the required number of clinical hours and/or clinical assignments, fail the course. Students may also fail if clinical preceptors do not submit a satisfactory evaluation, or submit no evaluation of the student.***

Clinical laboratory performance will be evaluated as **Satisfactory** or **Unsatisfactory** based on stated Clinical laboratory objectives and ACM's "Critical Behaviors- Guidelines for Student Evaluation". Students must submit the required clinical assignment paperwork for each specific experience by established due dates. An unsatisfactory assignment must be resubmitted until satisfactory. Faculty reserves the right to limit the number of resubmitted unsatisfactory work.

Failure to obtain a satisfactory grade in clinical, due either to errors or omissions with required clinical paperwork or failure to meet any of the Critical Behaviors will result in a clinical failure. **Any unsafe behavior on the clinical unit or violation of HIPAA will result in immediate dismissal from the program and the student will not be eligible to reapply.**

**Clinical lab performance must be satisfactory in order to pass Nursing 215.**

Students must comply with the nursing policies for the clinical laboratory. Please refer to the Nursing Policy Book for a complete list of requirements listed under Clothing, Appearance and Grooming. **Students are required to wear name badges during clinical hours.**