

CLINICAL OBJECTIVES – NURSING 205

LPN-RN Online Program

PEDIATRIC EXPERIENCE ACUTE CARE:

At the end of this course, the student will be able to:

1. Identify the role of the professional nurse in various pediatric care settings.
2. Perform a head to toe assessment of the pediatric client.
3. Develop a plan of care in collaboration with client, family, as well as the interdisciplinary health care team, using the nursing process for a pediatric client with health care needs.
4. Deliver appropriate nursing care, including medication administration, to the pediatric client based on diagnosis, age and developmental stage.
5. Consider the culture of the pediatric client and the family when planning care.
6. Utilize appropriate teaching strategies when instructing the Pediatric client and family.
7. Apply ethical and legal principles when caring for the Pediatric client and family.
8. Educate the client and his/her family about agencies in the community that can help with difficulties concerning the child's diagnosis; provide support to the patient and family.

EXPECTATIONS FOR THE STUDENT.

ATTEND PRE-CONFERENCE:

- ❖ Be present for shift report, 0645 if AM shift, and 1445 if PM shift. Take report on all patients.
- ❖ Discuss assessment focus on assigned patient after getting report with/from the preceptor.
- ❖ Discuss any fears that student may have about working with pediatric patients and their caregivers.

CLINICAL EXPERIENCE:

- ❖ The primary focus is learning the role of the RN. Engage students in critical thinking and assist with prioritizing.
- ❖ After shift report student is to perform quick assessment of patient(s) for their needs, proper IVF infusing, proper O2 being administered, any needs for the patient such as pain meds, etc. Introduce self and let the patient and family know how long they will be present that day.
- ❖ Check medications, student to look up any they are unfamiliar with. Student should have all of their medication sheets with them. Preceptors are encouraged to ask students questions about the prescribed meds.
- ❖ Completes head to toe assessment on all assigned patients.
- ❖ Form a trusting patient/nurse relationship and also a trusting relationship with the patient's caregivers.
- ❖ Implements care in an appropriate manner related to patient's developmental level.
- ❖ Give all medications for your shift with you, the preceptor. Students may administer medications under the supervision of the clinical preceptor. Experiences with IV medications should be sought as IV meds is a new skill for many LPNs. – ALL IV MEDS MUST BE ADMINISTERED UNDER THE DIRECT SUPERVISION OF THE CLINICAL PRECEPTOR.
- ❖ Keep accurate I & O.
- ❖ Student may assist/complete AM and PM care as necessary.
- ❖ Student is responsible for charting on patient *if the clinical site permits them to do so.*
- ❖ Maintain clinical hour log and have preceptor sign to validate hours.

DRESS GUIDELINES:

- ❖ Wear name tag at all times.
- ❖ Wear uniforms.
- ❖ Wear nursing shoes.
- ❖ Follow nursing policy related to hair, nails, rings, etc...
- ❖ No use of perfumes, fragrant body lotion, and hair spray will on the pediatric unit.
- ❖ Nursing uniform will NOT smell like smoke or you will be sent home.