

Clinical Objectives for Term III

WEEK 37

Review previously assigned and special department objectives.

WEEK 38

Selected students will:

1. Care for patients with allergic conditions.
2. Care for a patient with lymphangitis.

WEEK 39

A selected number of students will be able to:

1. Assist in C.C.U. by placing patients on and off the monitor.
2. Care for a patient with hypertension or arteriosclerosis.
3. Participate in the leadership role of the LVN in the Skilled Nursing Facility.
4. Utilize methods of communication that will be effective when dealing with staff.
5. Observe and participate in the management functions, such as delegation, conflict resolution, motivation, and decision making that are required of the LVN in the Skilled Nursing Facility.

WEEK 40

During this week students will observe and/or assist with Code Blue in the hospital or review procedure with crash cart in hospital.

A selected number of students will be able to:

1. Care for a patient with myocardial infarction.
2. Care for a patient with congestive heart failure.
3. Care for a patient with coronary artery disease.
4. Care for a patient with:
 - a. thrombophlebitis
 - b. varicose veins
5. Assist patient in exercising extremities.
6. Apply anti-emboli stockings or compression boots.

7. List cardio vascular changes that occur as a result of aging and observed in the patient assignment.

WEEK 41

Continue with objectives of previous weeks.

WEEK 42

During this week a selected number of students will:

1. Care for a diabetic patient and contribute to the nursing care plan and patient teaching.
2. Administer insulin.
3. Recognize symptoms of insulin reaction and ketoacidosis.
4. Perform a blood glucose finger stick.
5. Identify three endocrine changes observed in the geriatric patient.
6. Accurately observe and record neurological vital signs.

Other students assigned to special areas will fulfill objectives outlined and will be completing objectives outlined for previous weeks.

WEEK 43

During this week a selected number of students will be able to assist with a lumbar puncture and meet the following objectives:

1. State the reasons for withdrawal of cerebro-spinal fluid.
2. Identify on a patient the usual area used in withdrawing spinal fluid and explain why this site is used.
3. Prepare the patient for this procedure by recognizing the need for:
 - a. Proper consent.
 - b. Demonstrating how to set up the equipment.
 - c. Providing the emotional support needed.
 - d. Properly positioning the patient.
4. Assist the physician with this examination by using aseptic technique in preparation of the site.
5. Demonstrate ability to apply pressure to proper area of the body and tell why the Queckenstedt test is done.
6. Demonstrate ability to follow up this procedure with:
 - a. Proper care of the patient.
 - b. Proper handling and labeling of the specimen.
 - c. Proper recording and reporting.
7. Communicate observations made with the elderly patient regarding their nutrition, emotions, and behavior.

A select number of students will:

1. Care for and participate in nursing care planning for a patient with a cerebral vascular accident or a paralyzed patient.
2. Care for a patient with a seizure disorder.
3. Care for a patient with a central nervous system infection.
4. Care for a patient with a chronic neurological disorder.

WEEK 44

Continue with objectives as listed for weeks 42 and 43.

WEEK 45 AND 46

During these weeks a selected number of students will care for a patient with the following diseases and disorders of the urinary system:

1. Renal failure.
2. Urinary retention.
3. Renal calculi.
4. Infection of the urinary tract.
5. Traumatic injury.
6. Obstruction.
7. The student will also demonstrate ability to:
 - a. Detect and manage urinary retention.
 - b. Place Foley and straight catheters in male and female patients.
 - c. Perform PRN or continuous bladder irrigations.

A selected number of students will:

1. Care for a patient with a diagnostic procedure such as an I.V. Pyelogram or Cystoscopy.
2. Care for a patient with a head injury or spinal cord injury.

Other students assigned to special areas will fulfill objectives outlined and will be completing objectives outlined for previous weeks.

WEEK 47

During this week each student will:

1. Note the laboratory findings and the fluid balance of an assigned patient.
2. Note medical orders and nursing interventions to bring patient into fluid and electrolyte balance.

Selected students will care for a patient who has had urinary tract surgery.

WEEK 48 AND 49

During these weeks a selected number of students will:

1. Care for patients with skin disorders.
2. Care for a patient with allergic disorders of the skin.
3. Assist with wet dressings or therapeutic baths.
4. Care for a patient with burns.

Other students will complete other objectives as outlined.

WEEK 50

A selected number of students will care for a patient with drug abuse.

WEEK 51

During this week a selected number of students will:

1. Care for a patient with a disease or injury to the eyes.
2. Perform eye irrigations or apply compresses to the eye or administer eye drops.
3. Care for a patient with a hearing disability or a problem related to the ear.
4. Perform ear irrigation or instill drops into the ear.

WEEK 52 AND 53

Students Will Be Preparing To Function As Staff Vocational Nurses.

Each student will be able to:

1. Demonstrate ability to care for larger groups of patients for the entire shift.
2. Receive report from the previous shift and give concise, accurate, pertinent report on his/her groups of patients to the oncoming shift.
3. Complete all unfinished objectives, care studies and special projects.