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# ADULT/GERONTOLOGY And FAMILY NURSE PRACTITIONER PROGRAMS

## Site Visitor Handbook

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## MISSION STATEMENT

The Helen and Arthur E. Johnson Beth-El College of Nursing and Health Sciences will provide interdisciplinary leadership for new directions in health promotion and wellness, as well as illness care and disease prevention, in the community and beyond through innovation in education, practice, research, and scholarship for health science professionals.

## VISION STATEMENT

The Helen and Arthur E. Johnson Beth-El College of Nursing and Health Sciences is a distinguished and innovative college providing excellence in education, scholarship, and practice in the health professions.

## OVERVIEW OF THE CLINICAL PRACTICUM EXPERIENCE

The goal of the nurse practitioner clinical practicum experience is to engage students in varied, quality clinical experiences in primary care settings.

Clinical practicum experiences are embedded in primary care courses (90 hours each) and a final practicum of 360 hours designed to provide a synthesis experience for the student.

Students must complete a total of 630 practicum hours in primary care to meet the requirements for graduation.

The expectation is that students will progress from requiring close supervision in the first practicum experience to seeing a schedule of clients independently with your support by the end of their last clinical class. The Master of Science in Nursing Degree requirements are outlined in Appendix A.

## SITE EVALUATIONS

During the course of the semester each student will receive at least one site---visit per up to 180 clinical hours/semester and two site visits during the final synthesis practicum/360 hours. Phone visits are conducted for students who are a distance from Colorado Springs.

The clinical site visitor acts as the liaison between the Helen and Arthur E. Johnson Beth-El College of Nursing and Health Sciences, the student, and the clinical site. The visit to a student's clinical area is an opportunity to observe how the student is demonstrating the advance practice nursing role as a student in either the Adult/Gerontology or the Family Nurse Practitioner Program.

The role of the clinical site visitor to the student and preceptor is to:

- Mentor the student

- Assist the student in role development and accommodation to the practice setting

- Facilitate the preceptor in role development

- Provide on---site supervision and role modeling

Evaluate the student's learning experience in an ongoing manner  
Act as Liaison to the College of Nursing.

## PAYMENT FOR SITE VISIT

Site Visitors are paid at the end of the semester. Payment is based on their site visit assignment and the type of visits conducted.

On-Site visits are paid at a rate of \$150.00

Phone site visits are paid at a rate of \$75.00

Mileage is paid at the current state rate which can fluctuate from year to year. Mileage is only paid for on-site visits that are away from the visitor home area. Site visits conducted nearer UCCS than the visitor's home are paid by mileage to the site from the campus of UCCS. Site visitors are expected to submit their mileage to the Clinical Practicum Assistant for reimbursement.

## PROCEDURE FOR SITE VISIT

Preparing for the site visit:

- Contact student via email or by phone to set up a mutually agreed upon date and time for visit.
- Have student clarify date and time with preceptor
- Remind student to inform front office staff of your visit
- Describe format of visit
- Apprise student that you will be at the clinical site for a minimum of 2 hours for the visit.
- Inform student that you will want to review clinical goals with student

When you arrive at the visit:

- Clarify format of visit – Suggested to observe student seeing at least two patients and present findings to the preceptor in a concise organized manner.
- Inform student and preceptor that you will be at the site for at least 2 hours
- Request time with preceptor to review progress and discuss any concerns or areas of care that need improvement
- Summarize visit with student prior to departure
- Review the site visit assessment based on which clinical course the student is in
- Complete the correct form in Medatrax (Sample evaluations are in Appendix B)

Medatrax is the electronic clinical tracking program used by the Helen and Arthur E. Johnson Beth--El College of Nursing and Health Sciences for documentation of student performance.

Mid-semester, information will be sent to your email with a link and password to access the student's site evaluation form through Medatrax. The evaluation form is completed in the Medatrax system.

# EXPECTATIONS OF STUDENT FOR CLINICAL PRACTICUM EXPERIENCE

## 1st PRACTICUM COURSE

- Gathers comprehensive health history and accurately conducts physical examination techniques appropriate for a comprehensive and focused examination
- Begins to develop differential diagnoses for the presenting problem
- Beginning suggestions for evidence---based interventions and referrals for presenting problem
- Demonstrates use of practice guidelines and other resources in the care of the patient
- Begins to demonstrate critical thinking in clinical decision---making and adjusts interventions based on outcomes

## 2nd PRACTICUM COURSE

- Develops and analyzes appropriate differential diagnoses for presenting problem while prioritizing care
- Incorporates the roles of provider, educator, consultant, administrator and researcher in NP role as appropriate and articulates role to public and other health care professionals
- Begins to independently suggest evidence---based non---pharmacologic and pharmacologic interventions for acute and chronic conditions.
- Demonstrates critical thinking in clinical decision---making and adjusts interventions based on outcomes
- Participates in clinical discussions and contributes relevant knowledge of recent research

## 3rd PRACTICUM COURSE

- Independently suggests evidence---based non pharmacologic and pharmacologic interventions for presenting problem
- Begins to assists patient in adapting to acute/chronic conditions by developing an understanding of the patient's lifestyle, personal beliefs and priorities.
- Provides effective learning environment for patient based on assessment of patient's knowledge base, readiness to learn, patient's developmental and emotional level and motivation
- Uses community assessment information to evaluate client needs, initiate referrals, and coordinate care when applicable
- Manages patient care and refers to specialty services as appropriate within the existing health care delivery system

## FINAL PRACTICUM COURSE

- Independently develops and analyzes appropriate differential diagnoses for presenting problem while prioritizing care
- Assesses, diagnoses, monitors, coordinates and manages the health/illness status of patients over a period of time when applicable
- Demonstrates skills in negotiating, consensus building and partnering with health care team members.
- Understands basic business and management strategies to function as manager for the provision of quality care and efficient use of resources.
- Monitors quality of care via self, peer and quality assurance methods

## APPENDIX A

### Master of Science in Nursing

The College offers two options of advanced study leading to a Master of Science in Nursing degree.

- Primary Care Family Nurse Practitioner
- Primary care Adult/Gerontology Nurse Practitioner

Upon completion of the MSN program, the graduate will be able to:

- Apply theories and scientific evidence to provide holistic care to the individual
- Provide leadership within clinical and organizational settings to provide high quality, safe, patient care
- Apply clinical reasoning to promote health and prevent disease for the individual, family, and community
- Critically appraise and apply current evidence in a clinical setting to ensure quality patient outcomes
- Use technology in the clinical setting to enhance safe and effective patient care
- Evaluate emerging trends, policy issues, and programmatic problems to improve health care delivery
- Use therapeutic, patient-centered, communication in the delivery of health care
- Collaborate in inter/intra-professional care teams
- Provide patient-centered, culturally competent healthcare to diverse patient populations
- Use an ethical framework for clinical practice and clinical expertise to care for patients

### Curriculum

MSN Core Courses	
NURS 6100 Philosophical Foundations in Nursing Practice	3
NURS 6110 Advanced Nursing Practice and Health Care Policy	3
NURS 6120 Nursing Research	3
NURS 6280 Clinical Pharmacotherapeutics	3
NURS 6730 Advanced Health Assessment	3
NURS 6740 Advanced Pathophysiology	3
NURS 7024 Applied Clinical Research (4) <b>AND</b> Comprehensive Exam (0) <b>OR</b> NURS 7000 Thesis (5)	4 <b>OR</b> 5
<b>TOTAL MSN CORE CREDITS</b>	<b>22 OR 23</b>

<b>Advance Practice Nurse Clinical Components</b>			
<b>Adult/Gerontology NP</b>		<b>Family NP</b>	
NURS 6910 Primary Care of Acute Health Conditions	6	NURS 6900 Primary Care of Pediatric Patients	5
NURS 6920 Primary Care of Chronic Health Conditions	6	NURS 6910 Primary Care of Acute Health Conditions	6
NURS 6950 Primary Care of Geriatric Patients and Their Families	5	NURS 6920 Primary Care of Chronic Health Conditions	6
NURS 6980 Synthesis Practicum	8	NURS 6980 Synthesis Practicum	8
<b>TOTAL ADULT NP SPECIALTY CREDITS</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>TOTAL FAMILY FNP SPECIALTY CREDITS</b>	<b>25</b>

**Adult/Gerontology NP = 47 Total Credits** (includes 630 contact hours) |

**Family NP = 47 Total Credits** (includes 630 contact hours)



## Appendix B

\_\_\_ On-Site

Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Helen and Arthur E. Johnson Beth-El College of Nursing and Health Sciences**

**University of Colorado Colorado Springs**

Site Visitor Assessment of Student

Graduate Nursing Student - Nurse Practitioner Option

**1st Clinical Course**

Student Name:

Preceptor Name:

Clinical Site:

Types of Patients seen with student \_\_\_\_\_

Key: **1= Unsatisfactory** at NP role (C< 80%)

**2= Novice** at NP role (B- 80%-84%)

**3= Competent** at NP role (B 84%-89%)

**4= Proficient** at NP role (A- 90%-94%)

**5= Mastery** of NP Role (A 95%-100%)

**NA/O= Not applicable, Not observed**

COMPETENCY	EVALUATION						COMMENTS
Patient Management (Domain 1)	1	2	3	4	5	NA/O	
• Obtains age-appropriate history for comprehensive of focused exam to include health maintenance history.							
• Performs appropriate examination using correct techniques.							
• Begins to develop differential diagnoses for presenting problem while prioritizing							
• Considers evidence-based non-pharmacologic and pharmacologic interventions for presenting problem							
• Begins to demonstrate critical thinking in clinical decision-making and adjust intervention as needed based on outcomes							
• Communicates effectively using professional terminology, format and							
• Documents visit thoroughly and accurately							
NP-Patient Relationship (Domain 2)	1	2	3	4	5	NA/O	
• Prioritizes care and negotiates plan of care with patient							
• Maintains professional boundaries and patient confidentiality							
Patient Education (Domain 3)	1	2	3	4	5	NA/O	
• Assesses patient's educational needs							
• Provides age and education-appropriate information about condition management and health promotion							

<b>Professional role (Domain 4)</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>NA/O</b>	
• Begins to incorporate the roles of provider and educator in the NP role and articulates role to public and other health care professionals							
• Interacts collaboratively with team members							
• Appropriately seeks assistance from preceptor							
• Participates in clinical discussions and contributes relevant knowledge of recent research							
<b>Culturally sensitive care (Domain 7)</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>NA/O</b>	
• Demonstrate respect for patients and delivers culturally sensitive care							
• Recognizes spiritual and emotional needs of patient							

**hours completed by this student in my clinical setting**

**Rating Scale: 1-unsatisfactory, 2-minimally satisfactory, 3-satisfactory, 4-highly satisfactory, 5- excellent**

<b>Preceptor Serves as Role Model</b>	
Communication Skills/ Facilitates communication	1 2 3 4 5
Time Management	1 2 3 4 5
Interaction with Patients	1 2 3 4 5
Shares knowledge & techniques	1 2 3 4 5
<b>Preceptor's Teaching Style</b>	
Selects appropriate learning experiences	1 2 3 4 5
Respects student	1 2 3 4 5
Asks questions in non- threatening way	1 2 3 4 5
Receptive to students questions	1 2 3 4 5
Provides relaxed atmosphere	1 2 3 4 5
Validates student's clinical skills & provides ongoing feedback	1 2 3 4 5
Shows enthusiastic for teaching	1 2 3 4 5
Willing to work with novice students	1 2 3 4 5

**For On-Site visits as well as Phone visits:**

**Comments from discussion with preceptor:**

1. What are the student's individual goals this semester and how are you helping to achieve them?
2. What do you see as the student's strengths?

3. What do you see as the student's weaknesses?

4. Any concerns about the student?

5. Areas needing Improvement:

Additional Comments:

Site Visitor Signature (Type your name): \_\_\_\_\_

**Helen and Arthur E. Johnson Beth-El College of Nursing and Health Sciences**  
**University of Colorado Colorado Springs**  
 Phone Site Visitor Assessment of Student  
 Graduate Nursing Student - Nurse Practitioner Option  
 1st Clinical Course

Date:

Student Name:

Preceptor Name:

Clinical Site:

Types of Patients seen with student

Strengths	Areas of Knowledge Deficit	Areas of Improvement

Key: 1= **Unsatisfactory** at NP role

2= **Satisfactory** at NP role

<b>Patient Management (Domain 1)</b>	1	2	Comments
• Exam skills are done correctly and are appropriate for patient visit			
• Able to suggest a differential diagnosis			
• Present patient to preceptor in an organized logical manner			
• Documents visit in a logical manner thoroughly			Paper or EMR
<b>NP-Patient Relationship (Domain 2)</b>			
• Prioritizes plan of care based on patient needs			
• Maintains professional boundaries and patient confidentiality			
<b>Patient Education (Domain 3)</b>			
• Assesses patient's educational needs and teaches appropriately			
<b>Professional role (Domain 4)</b>			

• Interacts appropriately with team members			
• Asks questions and seeks guidance from preceptor			
• Spends an appropriate amount of time with patient			
<b>Culturally sensitive care (Domain 7)</b>			
• Has opportunity to interact with patients from other cultures			
• Demonstrate respect for patients and delivers culturally sensitive care			

Any other comments you would like to share:

Number of hours with preceptor:

**Thank you for taking a UCCS student and for taking the time to speak with me.**

Signature of Site Visitor

**Helen and Arthur E. Johnson Beth-El College of Nursing and Health Sciences  
University of Colorado Colorado Springs**

Site Visit Assessment

Graduate Nursing Student - Nurse Practitioner Option

**2nd Clinical Course**

Student Name:

Preceptor Name:

Clinical Site:

Types of Patients seen with student \_\_\_\_\_

Key: **1= Unsatisfactory** at NP role (C< 80%)

**2= Novice** at NP role (B- 80%-84%)

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**5= Mastery** of NP Role (A 95%-100%)

**NA/O= Not applicable, Not observed**

COMPETENCY	EVALUATION						COMMENTS
Patient Management (Domain 1)	1	2	3	4	5	NA/O	
• Obtains age-appropriate history for comprehensive of focused exam to include health maintenance history.							
• Performs appropriate examination using correct techniques.							
• Orders and correctly interprets cost-effective diagnostic and health screening tests.							
• Develops and analyzes appropriate differential diagnoses for presenting problem while prioritizing care							
• Begins to independently suggest evidence-based non-pharmacologic and pharmacologic interventions for acute and chronic conditions.							
• Demonstrates critical thinking in clinical decision- making and adjusts interventions as needed based on outcomes							
• Communicates effectively with preceptor using professional terminology, format and technology							
NP-Patient Relationship (Domain 2)	1	2	3	4	5	NA/O	
• Prioritizes care and negotiates plan of care with patient							
• Maintains professional boundaries and patient confidentiality							
Patient Education (Domain 3)	1	2	3	4	5	NA/O	
• Assesses patient's educational needs							
• Provides age and education-appropriate information about condition management and health promotion							
Professional role (Domain 4)	1	2	3	4	5	NA/O	

• Incorporates the roles of provider, educator, consultant, administrator and researcher in NP role as appropriate and articulates role to public and other health care professionals							
• Interacts collaboratively with team members							
• Appropriately seeks assistance from preceptor							
• Participates in clinical discussions and contributes relevant knowledge of recent research							
<b>Negotiating health care systems (Domain 5)</b>							
• Practices within authorized scope of practice							
<b>Culturally sensitive care (Domain 7)</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>NA/O</b>	
• Demonstrate respect for patients and delivers culturally sensitive care							
• Provides care that meets spiritual and emotional needs of patient							

**hours completed by this student in my clinical setting**

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<b>Preceptor Serves as Role Model</b>	
Communication Skills/ Facilitates communication	1 2 3 4 5
Time Management	1 2 3 4 5
Interaction with Patients	1 2 3 4 5
Shares knowledge & techniques	1 2 3 4 5
<b>Preceptor's Teaching Style</b>	
Selects appropriate learning experiences	1 2 3 4 5
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**For On-Site visits as well as Phone visits:**

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2. What do you see as the student's strengths?

3. What do you see as the student's weaknesses?

4. Any concerns about the student?

5. Areas needing Improvement:

Additional Comments:

Site Visitor Signature (Type your name): \_\_\_\_\_



\_\_\_ Phone

**Helen and Arthur E. Johnson Beth-El College of Nursing and Health Sciences**  
**University of Colorado Colorado Springs**

Phone Site Visitor Assessment of Student  
Graduate Nursing Student – PMHNP Nurse Practitioner Option  
**2nd Clinical Course**

Date:

Student Name:

Preceptor Name:

Clinical Site:

Types of Patients seen with student

Strengths	Areas of Knowledge Deficit	Areas of Improvement

Key: **1= Unsatisfactory** at NP role

**2= Satisfactory** at NP role

Patient Management (Domain 1)	1	2	Comments
• Thorough in history taking			
• Exam skills are done correctly and are appropriate for patient visit			
• Able to suggest a differential diagnosis			
• Communicates in a professional manner with preceptor and staff			
• Presents patient in an organized logical manner using professional terminology and format			
• Documents visit in a logical manner			Paper or EMR
NP-Patient Relationship (Domain 2)			
• Prioritizes plan of care based on patient needs			
Patient Education (Domain 3)			

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Assesses patient's educational needs and teaches appropriately</li> </ul>			
<b>Professional role (Domain 4)</b>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Asks questions and seeks guidance from preceptor</li> </ul>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Maintains professional boundaries and patient confidentiality</li> </ul>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Spends an appropriate amount of time with patient</li> </ul>			
<b>Negotiating health care system (Domain 5)</b>			
Identifies appropriate referral sources			
<b>Culturally sensitive care (Domain 7)</b>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Has opportunity to interact with patients from other cultures</li> </ul>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Demonstrate respect for patients and delivers culturally sensitive care</li> </ul>			

Any other comments you would like to share:

Number of hours with preceptor:

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Signature of Site Visitor

\_\_\_ On Site

Date \_\_\_\_\_

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Site Visit Assessment of Student

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**3rd Clinical Course**

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COMPETENCY	EVALUATION						COMMENTS
Patient Management (Domain 1)	1	2	3	4	5	NA/O	
• Obtains age-appropriate history for comprehensive or focused exam to include health maintenance history.							
• Performs appropriate examination using correct techniques.							
• Orders and correctly interprets cost-effective diagnostic and health screening tests.							
• Independently develops and analyzes appropriate differential diagnoses for presenting problem while prioritizing care							
• Independently suggests evidence-based non pharmacologic and pharmacologic interventions for presenting problem							
• Demonstrates critical thinking in clinical decision- making and adjusts interventions as needed based on outcomes							
• Communicates effectively with preceptor using professional terminology, format and technology							
NP-Patient Relationship (Domain 2)	1	2	3	4	5	NA/O	
• Prioritizes care and negotiates plan of care with patient							
• Begins to assists patient in adapting to acute/chronic conditions by developing an understanding of the patient's lifestyle, personal beliefs and priorities.							

• Facilitates decision-making linked to patient's concerns							
• Maintains professional boundaries and patient confidentiality							
<b>Patient Education (Domain 3)</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>NA/O</b>	
• Provides age and education-appropriate information about condition management and health promotion							
• Provides effective learning environment for patient based on assessment of patient's knowledge base, readiness to learn, patient's developmental and emotional level and motivation							
• Uses community assessment information to evaluate client needs, initiate referrals, and coordinate care when applicable							
• Assesses patient's response to teaching strategies and modifies approach based on							
<b>Professional role (Domain 4)</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>NA/O</b>	
• Incorporates the roles of provider, educator, consultant, administrator and researcher in NP role as appropriate and articulates role to public and other health care professionals							
• Interacts collaboratively with team members							
<b>Negotiating health care systems (Domain 5)</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>NA/O</b>	
• Manages patient care and refers to specialty services as appropriate within the existing health care delivery system.							
• Practices within authorized scope of practice							
• Incorporates professional and legal standards into practice							
<b>Culturally sensitive care (Domain 7)</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>NA/O</b>	
• Demonstrate respect for patients and delivers culturally sensitive care							
• Provides care that meets spiritual and emotional needs of patient							

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Time Management	1	2	3	4	5
Interaction with Patients	1	2	3	4	5
Shares knowledge & techniques	1	2	3	4	5

<b>Preceptor's Teaching Style</b>	
Selects appropriate learning experiences	1 2 3 4 5
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5. Areas needing Improvement:

Additional Comments:

Site Visitor Signature (Type your name): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Phone

**Helen and Arthur E. Johnson Beth-El College of Nursing and Health Sciences**

**University of Colorado Colorado Springs**

Phone Site Visitor Assessment of Student

Graduate Nursing Student - Nurse Practitioner Option

**3rd Clinical Course**

Date:

Student Name:

Preceptor Name:

Clinical Site:

Types of Patients seen with student

Strengths	Areas of Knowledge Deficit	Areas of Improvement

Key: **1= Unsatisfactory** at NP role

**2= Satisfactory** at NP role

<b>Patient Management (Domain 1)</b>	1	2	Comments
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Independently suggests pharmacological and non-pharmacological interventions</li></ul>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Demonstrates critical thinking in clinical decision-making</li></ul>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Documents visit in a logical manner</li></ul>			Paper or EMR
<b>NP-Patient Relationship (Domain 2)</b>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Prioritizes plan of care based on patient needs</li></ul>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Maintains professional boundaries and patient confidentiality</li></ul>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Begins to assist patient in adapting to acute or chronic conditions</li></ul>			
<b>Patient Education (Domain 3)</b>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Assesses patient's educational needs and teaches appropriately</li></ul>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Assesses patient's response to teaching strategies</li></ul>			

<b>Professional role (Domain 4)</b>			
• Demonstrates role of provider and educator and articulates role to public and other health professionals			
• Interacts collaboratively with team members			
<b>Negotiating health care system (Domain 5)</b>			
• Identifies appropriate referral sources			
• Incorporates professional and legal standards into practice			
<b>Culturally sensitive care (Domain 7)</b>			
• Demonstrate respect for patients and delivers culturally sensitive care			
• Recognizes spiritual and emotional needs of patient			

Any other comments you would like to share:

Number of hours with preceptor:

**Thank you for taking a UCCS student and for taking the time to speak with me.**

Signature of Site Visitor

\_\_\_ On-Site

Date \_\_\_\_\_

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Site Visit Assessment of Student

Graduate Nursing Student - Nurse Practitioner Option

**Synthesis Practicum Course**

Student Name:

Preceptor Name:

Clinical Site:

Types of Patients seen with student \_\_\_\_\_

Key: **1= Unsatisfactory** at NP role (C< 80%)

**2= Novice** at NP role (B- 80%-84%)

**3= Competent** at NP role (B 84%-89%)

**4= Proficient** at NP role (A- 90%-94%)

**5= Mastery** of NP Role (A 95%-100%)

**NA/O= Not applicable, Not observed**

COMPETENCY	EVALUATION						COMMENTS
Patient Management (Domain 1)	1	2	3	4	5	NA/O	
• Manages patient visit effectively by obtaining appropriate history and performs appropriate examination with correct techniques							
• Appropriately orders and correctly interprets cost- effective diagnostic and health screening tests							
• Independently develops and analyzes appropriate differential diagnoses for presenting problem while prioritizing care							
• Considers complementary and alternative therapy options in plan of care when appropriate							
• Independently presents evidence-based non pharmacologic and pharmacologic interventions for presenting problem							
• Demonstrates critical thinking in clinical decision- making and adjusts interventions as needed based on outcomes							
• Assesses, diagnoses, monitors, coordinates and manages the health/illness status of patients over a period of time when applicable							
• Applies principles of epidemiology and diagnostic reasoning skills in clinical decision making							
NP-Patient Relationship (Domain 2)	1	2	3	4	5	NA/O	
• Assists patient in adapting to acute/chronic conditions by developing an understanding of the patient's lifestyle, personal beliefs and							



• Facilitates decision-making linked to patient's concerns while prioritizing care							
• Maintains professional boundaries and patient confidentiality							
<b>Patient Education (Domain 3)</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>NA/O</b>	
• Provides patient with information that is scientifically grounded and appropriate to the health conditions							
• Provides effective learning environment for patient based on assessment of patient's knowledge base, readiness to learn, patient's developmental and emotional level and							
• Continues to reassess, negotiate and coach patient based on new data, motivation and response to teaching							
• Uses community assessment information in evaluating patient needs, initiating referrals, and coordinating care							
<b>Professional role (Domain 4)</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>NA/O</b>	
• Applies/develops a theory-based conceptual framework to guide practice							
• Develops a base for personal ethics in practice as related to patient issues and scope of practice							
• Demonstrates skills in negotiating, consensus building and partnering with health care team members.							
<b>Negotiating health care systems (Domain 5)</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>NA/O</b>	
• Understands basic business and management strategies to function as manager for the provision of quality care and efficient use of resources.							
• Articulates progressive awareness of legislative and policy making activities which influence health services and practice.							
<b>Quality health care practices (Domain 6)</b>							
• Uses practice guidelines and current research to include legal and professional standards to guide practice							
• Assumes accountability for practice							
• Monitors quality of care via self, peer and quality assurance methods							
<b>Culturally sensitive care (Domain 7)</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>NA/O</b>	
• Demonstrate respect for patients and delivers culturally sensitive care							
• Provides care that meets spiritual and emotional needs of patient							

## hours completed by this student in my clinical setting

**Rating Scale: 1-unsatisfactory, 2-minimally satisfactory, 3-satisfactory, 4-highly satisfactory, 5- excellent**

Preceptor Serves as Role Model					
Communication Skills/ Facilitates communication	1	2	3	4	5
Time Management	1	2	3	4	5
Interaction with Patients	1	2	3	4	5
Shares knowledge & techniques	1	2	3	4	5
Preceptor's Teaching Style					
Selects appropriate learning experiences	1	2	3	4	5
Respects student	1	2	3	4	5
Asks questions in non- threatening way	1	2	3	4	5
Receptive to students questions	1	2	3	4	5
Provides relaxed atmosphere	1	2	3	4	5
Validates student's clinical skills & provides ongoing feedback	1	2	3	4	5
Shows enthusiastic for teaching	1	2	3	4	5
Willing to work with novice students	1	2	3	4	5

### **For On-Site visits as well as Phone visits:**

#### **Comments from discussion with preceptor:**

1. What are the student's individual goals this semester and how are you helping to achieve them?
2. What do you see as the student's strengths?
3. What do you see as the student's weaknesses?
4. Any concerns about the student?
5. Areas needing Improvement:

Additional Comments:

Site Visitor Signature (Type your name): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ Phone

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Phone Site Visitor Assessment of Student  
Graduate Nursing Student - Nurse Practitioner Option  
**Phone Site Visit Synthesis Practicum Course**

Date:

Student Name:

Preceptor Name:

Clinical Site:

Types of Patients seen with student

Strengths	Areas of Knowledge Deficit	Areas of Improvement

Key: **1= Unsatisfactory** at NP role

**2= Satisfactory** at NP role

<b>Patient Management (Domain 1)</b>	1	2	Comments
• Manages patient visit effectively by obtaining appropriate history and performs appropriate examination with correct techniques			
• Considers complementary and alternative therapy options in plan of care when appropriate			
• Applies principles of epidemiology and diagnostic reasoning skills in clinical decision making			
• Documents visit in a logical manner			Paper or EMR
<b>NP-Patient Relationship (Domain 2)</b>			
• Facilitates decision-making linked to patient's concerns while prioritizing care			
• Maintains professional boundaries and patient confidentiality			
<b>Patient Education (Domain 3)</b>			
• Assesses patient's educational needs and teaches appropriately			

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Continues to reassess, negotiate and coach patient based on new data, motivation and response to teaching</li> </ul>			
<b>Professional role (Domain 4)</b>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Develops a base for personal ethics in practice as related to patient issues and scope of practice</li> </ul>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Demonstrates skills in negotiating, consensus building and partnering with health care team members.</li> </ul>			
<b>Negotiating health care system (Domain 5)</b>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Maintains awareness of policy and legislations that influences health care system and community</li> </ul>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Understands basic business and management strategies to function as manager for the provision of quality care and efficient use of resources.</li> </ul>			
<b>Culturally sensitive care (Domain 7)</b>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Demonstrate respect for patients and delivers culturally sensitive care</li> </ul>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Provides care that meets spiritual and emotional needs of patient</li> </ul>			

Any other comments you would like to share:

Number of hours with preceptor:

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Signature of Site Visitor

## Appendix C

### The One-Minute Preceptor\*

The One-Minute Preceptor (OMP) is a successful teaching tool that has been used health care teaching for student education for over a decade (Margo, 2007). The OMP model is oriented to the student and is patient-focused, which helps identify the student's learning needs for teaching purposes.



### FIVE STEPS

1. Get a commitment: the preceptor will ask the student their interpretation of the problem or case by asking a few questions.  
**Example:** What do you think is going on with this patient? What other assessments do you need to do?
2. Probe for the underlying reason and evidence supporting the student's commitment. Encourage the student to think out loud to assess the student's decision-making skills and knowledge.  
**Example:** What evidence leads you to think this is the patient's problem?
3. Teach general rules: if the student is incorrect in his or her assessment or is missing certain information, the preceptor can provide the needed information and resources available.  
**Example:** A geriatric patient with a new onset of confusion may be a sign of dementia but other causes such as a urinary tract infection must also be ruled out.
4. Provide positive feedback: provide praise that is specific on what the student did correctly.  
**Example:** You were correct that geriatric patients experiencing confusion can be caused by dementia.
5. Correct mistakes and make recommendations for improvement:  
**Example:** You would want to rule out other possibilities such as an infection, dehydration, or over the counter medications such as anti-histamines that may also cause confusion in the geriatric population before making a final diagnosis of dementia.

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