

**PANOLA COLLEGE
ASSOCIATE DEGREE NURSING PROGRAM
CLINICAL EXPECTATIONS FOR CASIE RISINGER MSN, RN
CLINICAL I (RNSG 1160.101)
PANOLA HEALTH AND REHABILITATION &
UT HENDERSON**

Clinical Schedule:

**Panola Health and Rehabilitation Tuesday 0600 – 1400
UT Henderson Monday 0630 – 1430**

1. **Pre and Post Conference:** Preconference will begin at 0645. Assignments will be given to students by Mrs. Risinger during preconference.
2. **Patient Care:**
 - a. You will be doing all care for your patient based on the skills you have been checked off on in skills lab. You may **NOT** delegate ADL's without prior instructor approval.
 - b. **Explain to the nurse and pt. care technician what your responsibilities are for the day. Make it very clear what you will be doing for that patient.**
3. **_Charting:**
 - a. Charting will be done through Evolve for your assigned patient. Charting will be completed after clinical is dismissed and due the following day at midnight. (More explanation will be discussed after the first clinical day)
 - b. Students will be assigned a personal employee ID which will be used to obtain vital signs. **DO NOT USE ANY OTHER CODE OTHER THAN YOUR OWN AND DO NOT SHARE YOUR CODE WITH OTHERS.**
 - c. You will receive patient information on the day of your clinical. This information will be required to be given back to Mrs. Risinger prior to leaving clinical. If the student fails to return the patient information, this is a HIPAA violation and may result in a demerit. **DO NOT TAKE PICTURES OR MAKE COPIES OF THIS INFORMATION. THIS IS A HIPAA VIOLATION AND WILL RESULT IN A DEMERIT.**
 - d. Remember patient confidentiality and DO NOT discuss any patient in areas other than post conference.
4. **Standard Precautions:**
 - a. You must use standard precautions at all times. Any other isolation guidelines should be clarified by your nurse and clinical instructor.
 - b. Mask mandates are constantly changing and will be discussed as information is given to your clinical instructor.
5. **_Breaks:**
 - a. Take bathroom breaks as needed. **Notify the nurse when you are going to take a break.**
 - b. Stay on the unit and **ask a peer to supervise your patient when you are on break.**
 - c. **DO NOT LEAVE THE FLOOR WITHOUT PERMISSION**
 - d. We will take an hour lunch (usually from 11 to 12), You **MAY NOT** leave the facility during this time. You may bring your lunch or there is a small cafeteria in the hospital. **All of your patient care needs must be taken care of before you go to lunch.**
6. **Clinical Absence:**
 - a. **Notify Mrs. Risinger if you are going to be absent for any reason. Notify Mrs. Risinger ONE HOUR before your scheduled clinical time. There are two ways you may notify Mrs. Risinger and try both ways until you receive a response from me. This must be done at or before 5:30 AM.**
 1. Message Mrs. Risinger in canvas via email
 2. Message Mrs. Risinger in GroupMe via private message.
 - b. Please read the policy about clinical absence in the Panola College ADN policy website.

- c. In case of a personal emergency (family member/daycare/school/child) during clinical hours, notify your clinical instructor.
7. **Cell Phones:**
- YOU ARE NOT TO HAVE YOUR CELL PHONE WITH YOU ON THE UNIT DURING CLINICAL HOURS. LEAVE YOUR CELL PHONE WITH YOUR PERSONAL BELONGINGS IN THE POST CONFERENCE ROOM. IF I SEE A CELL PHONE IN USE ON THE UNIT, YOU WILL BE ASKED TO LEAVE THE FACILITY AND THIS WILL COUNT AS A CLINICAL ABSENCE.**
 - If you need to make a phone call during clinical hours, you will need to discuss this with your clinical instructor
8. **Personal Items:**
- Bring a black pen (retractable), penlight, stethoscope, watch with second hand, small note pad, and drug book with you to every clinical day.
 - On the days that you are working on your concept map, bring a copy of the information needed to complete the concept map. There will be no excused for the information not being obtained during clinical hours.
 - We do not have a secure place to keep any belonging that do not need to be in the clinical area. Keep money in your pockets. We do have a designated room we can utilize for pre and post conference, but the door does not lock.
9. **Procedures:**
- Before performing ANY SKILLS/procedures/medication administration, check with Mrs. Risinger as supervision is required.**
 - You may not perform any skills you have not been checked off in skills lab.
10. **Report:**
- Attend morning report as per instructions.
 - Prior to leaving the unit for post conference, report off to the primary care nurse and the pt. care technician responsible for your patient.
 - Be sure to leave your patient safe and comfortable at the end of the clinical day.
11. **General Guidelines:**
- Patient safety is a priority. If you have any questions or doubts, ask Mrs. Risinger. If you are uncertain about vital signs or anything, verify with your clinical instructor.
 - KEEP BUSY, BE HONEST**
 - If you make an error, inform Mrs. Risinger and the assigned staff nurse immediately. There is NO exception to this. Your integrity and professionalism matters.**
12. **Uniform/Appearance:**
- Wear the full uniform and name badge to clinical.
 - No chewing gum, eating, or drinking in the patient care areas
 - Remember, you represent Panola College and the nursing profession. Be a positive role model
 - NO SMOKING, VAPING, OR CONSUMING ALCOHOL IN UNIFORM.**
 - If you wish to follow your assigned patient to another department (x-ray, surgery, etc), you must obtain approval from Mrs. Risinger prior to leaving the unit.
 - If there are not enough patients on the unit for all students, or if there is a low census, you may be asked to go to another unit to observe.
13. **Parking:**
- Parking will be gone over during hospital orientation.
 - The emergency doors are the only ones that will be unlocked when we arrive for clinical. We will all meet in the emergency lobby and go to the floor together.

I have read the clinical expectations and acknowledge my responsibilities during clinical for Panola College ADN program, Fall 2023.

Signature _____ Date _____