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SCHOOL OF NURSING

Advanced Practice Nurse Clinical Practicum:

Family and Adult-Gero NP: NURS 5439/NURS 5419

Thank you for working with our NP student this semester. Your assigned student, _____, is in their second clinical experience. The clinical practicums are comprised of immersion clinical experiences to engage the student in quality and varied clinical experiences.

Students at this level should have foundational knowledge, skills, and attitudes of the nurse practitioner role. They should be able to:

- Perform a history & exam pertinent to presenting problem
- Present an organized summary of H & P to preceptor
- Develop differential diagnoses and begin to discuss potential management plans
- Students should become more competent in analyzing and prioritizing data
- Less supervision and direction should be needed by the end of the practicum

The focus of this clinical practicum is on:

- Integration of critical thinking and psychomotor skills
- Emphasis is on health promotion/maintenance, assessment, diagnosis, and management of common and co-morbid health problems
- Standardized documentation (SOAP) congruent with level of evaluation and management (E &M) of the patient visit

Preceptors are encouraged to observe the student's skills prior to increasing their independence in any activity. Discussing the student's prior nursing experience, clinical practicums along with their goals/learning objectives may guide and improve the experience.

Students are NOT expected to see every patient on your schedule. Students should be given time to review charts prior to seeing appropriately selected patients.

★ **The target goal for students this semester is between 6-9 patients per 8-hour clinical day.**

Semester Topics:

- ENT disorders, Back pain, Eating disorders, Pulmonary disorders, Men's health, Mental health, Fatigue,
- EOL, Palliative Care, Hospice, Ethics, Common Dermatological issues, Women' health, Transgender care.

A comprehensive Preceptor Handbook is available at www.preceptor.nursing.uconn.edu

Please do not hesitate to contact faculty for any questions or concerns

Clinical Faculty: _____