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

The emphasis is on considering context while providing:

- Health promotion/disease prevention
- Risk reduction
- Clinical assessment, diagnosis, and management of common health problems

The target goal for students this semester is between 4-7 patients per 8-hour clinical day.

As skills and proficiencies increase, preceptors may allow more autonomy to perform basic elements. Skill development in the following areas is expected:

- NP role & function, health promotion & screenings, differential diagnosis/clinical reasoning
- Screening for common diseases: HTN, obesity, dyslipidemia, mental health, motivational interviewing
- Endocrine: thyroid, adrenal disease, Cushing’s, Addison’s, & DM/metabolic syndrome
- Pulmonary: asthma, COPD, bronchitis, lung CA, sleep apnea
- Neuro: headache, TMJ, CVA-TIA, concussion
- Geriatrics topics: risk reduction, back pain/joint pain, muscular-skeletal pain—common injuries

Discussing the student’s prior nursing experience, 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.

Semester topics:

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