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**A Brief Guide for Preceptors**

**NM715 Nurse-Midwifery Clinical IV**

**Course Description**

This is the fourth of five clinical courses in which content learned in the foundational and management courses is applied. The student is moving toward independently applying the nurse-midwifery management process to the care of women throughout the lifespan, including the childbearing cycle, and to appropriately handle emergency situations. Parameters for safe practice are integrated and practice scope is delineated for a safe and competent, beginning nurse-midwife. The American College of Nurse-Midwives Hallmarks of Midwifery guide the clinical experience. Students are guided in learning the art and science of midwifery by seasoned clinical preceptors.

**Prerequisite**

NM714

**Course Objectives**

*Upon successful completion of NM715 the learner will be able to:*

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| **Objectives** | | **Method of Measurement/Evaluation** | |
| **(1)** | Independently collect all necessary data synthesizing pertinent information and focusing data collection | **(1)** | DDATs & MDATs  SOAP Notes |
| **(2)** | Readily list potential and actual problems and needs of clients in context of different settings | **(2)** | DDATs & MDATs  SOAP Notes |
| **(3)** | Design a complete prioritized plan for follow-up and management appropriate for client, family and setting which includes self care goals | **(3)** | DDATs & MDATs  SOAP Notes |
| **(4)** | Develop rapport rapidly and consistently with clients and families, and teach and counsel clients for all aspects of the nurse midwifery management process including anticipatory guidance | **(4)** | DDATs & MDATs |
| **(5)** | Demonstrate safe, gentle efficient performance of psychomotor skills in normal and emergency situations including verbal explanations to clients | **(5)** | DDATs & MDATs |
| **(6)** | Expand knowledge base and teach others rationale for nurse-midwifery management plans | **(6)** | DDATs & MDATs |
| **(7)** | Ensure that all records are complete and recoded efficiently | **(7)** | DDATs & MDATs SOAP Notes |
| **(8)** | Demonstrate consistent knowledge of own boundaries of safety and provide continuity of care for clients through consultation and collaboration | **(8)** | DDATs & MDATs |
| **(9)** | Assume responsibility for complete and appropriate management of the client in all settings | **(9)** | DDATs & MDATs |
| **(10)** | Demonstrate application of the nurse midwifery philosophy of care by adhering to the Hallmarks of Midwifery | **(10)** | DDATs & MDATs  Continuity Client Assignment |

**Assignments and Grades**

**Grading Criteria**

**For completion of NM715, the following criteria must be met:**

Cumulative total of minimum 540 clinical hours- checked/graded by RCF

Successful completion of DDATs/MDATs/ reflections- checked and graded by RCF

Satisfactory progress on NM 715 MDAT objectives (minimum 80% completed).

When all the requirements above have been met, a grade for NM715 can be issued and this will trigger NM716 to open for you. When you have met the above requirements please go to the Completion Verification assignment and submit the quiz.

**Teaching Methods**

Clinical practice with 1:1 tutoring/mentoring with midwife or nurse practitioner preceptor, case studies, on-going discussion with the Regional Clinical Coordinator (RCF) about SOAP notes, DDATs, MDATs.

**Evaluation**

* Direct observation and documentation by preceptor.
* Review of all documentation and SOAP notes by RCF.
* Clinical Site Visit by RCF
* Case Presentation and Continuity assignment- due at end of final clinical course (NM716)- should be well underway at this time.

**Required Textbooks**

Major textbooks and articles from previous courses.

**Contact Information**

If you have any concerns about the student you are precepting, please contact student’s RCF (Regional Clinical Faculty).

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