

Graduate Nursing Program Clinical Practicum Handbook

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Purpose of the Handbook

This handbook provides information about clinical practicum courses. This handbook is an adjunct to the <u>CMU Graduate Policies and Procedures Manual</u> and the <u>Graduate Nursing Program Student Handbook</u>. Questions not covered by this handbook should be directed to course faculty. Clinical practicum experiences aim to provide students with opportunities to integrate knowledge acquired in courses into their emerging advanced nursing practice.

Definitions

Advanced nursing practice: Nursing interventions that influence health care outcomes for individuals or populations (American Association of Colleges of Nursing [AACN], 2015).

Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (APRN): Title given to nurses who meet education, certification, and licensure requirements to practice in one of four roles: certified registered nurse anesthetist (CRNA), certified nurse-midwife (CNM), clinical nurse specialist (CNS), certified nurse practitioner (CNP) (APRN Consensus Workgroup & National Council of State Boards of Nursing APRN Advisory Committee, 2008).

Direct Care: Care provided to individuals or families to achieve specific health goals or selected health outcomes; provided in various settings (e.g. acute care, long-term care, home health, community-based settings, educational, telehealth) (AACN, 2011).

Indirect Care: Nursing decisions, actions, and/or interventions provided through or on behalf of individuals, families, or groups. These decisions, actions, and/or interventions create conditions allowing nursing care or self-care to occur (AACN, 2011). The Graduate Nursing Program includes the following types of indirect care.

Objective structured clinical examination (OSCE): Structured exams of patient scenarios where students demonstrate clinical competencies (e.g., health history taking, physical examination, diagnoses, planning treatment, case presentations) (Shumway & Harden, 2003).

Service-learning (SL): Educational experiences embedded in courses where students participate in organized service activities that meet community needs. Students reflect on activities to gain understanding of the course, the discipline, and the community (Bringle & Hatcher, 1995). This program uses the goals-needs-objectives-methods-evaluation (GNOME) model (Roberts, 1996) for SL assignments.

Simulation: Experiential learning where conditions are artificially created to mimic real life or real-world events to evaluate students' clinical competencies (Al-Elq, 2010).

Interprofessional education: Shared learning experiences among health profession students across disciplines (World Health Organization, 2010).

Clinical Practicum Courses

		MSN Nurse Educator Track	
Course	Care Type	Settings	Hours
NURS 577	Direct	Clinical	50
NURS 545L	Indirect	Academic, Clinical	50
NURS 560	Direct & Indirect	Clinical, Academic	40 (Direct) 110 (Indirect)
			Total Hours: 250
	MSN-	Family Nurse Practitioner Track*	
Course	Care Type	Settings	Hours**
NURS 577	Direct	Clinical	50
NURS 586	Direct	Clinical	50
NURS 588	Direct	Clinical	50
NURS 615	Direct	Clinical	50
NURS 610	Direct	Clinical	100
NURS 620	Direct	Clinical	150
NURS 630	Direct	Clinical	100
NURS 640	Direct	Clinical	150
			Total Hours: 700

^{*}Students who have been out of clinical courses for ≥ 1 calendar year must pass an OSCE held the semester prior to when the student plans to re-enter clinical courses.

^{**}FNP students are expected to accrue a total of 700 hours in direct care. Indirect care hours are also accrued through service-learning, simulation, & OSCEs.

MSN-Adult-Gerontology Nurse Practitioner Track*					
Course	Care Type	Settings	Hours**		
NURS 577	Direct	Clinical	50		
NURS 586	Direct	Clinical	50		
NURS 588	Direct	Clinical	50		
NURS 615	Direct	Clinical	50		
NURS 620	Direct	Clinical	150		
NURS 630	Direct	Clinical	100		
NURS 640	Direct	Clinical	150		
			Total Hours: 600		

^{*}Students who have been out of clinical courses for ≥ 1 calendar year must pass an OSCE held the semester prior to when the student plans to re-enter clinical courses.

^{**}AGNP students are expected to accrue a total of 600 hours in direct care. Indirect care hours are also accrued through service-learning, simulation, & OSCEs.

DNP-Family Nurse Practitioner Track*					
Course	Care Type	Settings	Hours**		
NURS 577	Direct	Clinical	50		
NURS 586	Direct	Clinical	50		
NURS 588	Direct	Clinical	50		
NURS 615	Direct	Clinical	50		
NURS 610	Direct	Clinical	100		
NURS 620	Direct	Clinical	150		
NURS 630	Direct	Clinical	100		
NURS 640	Direct	Clinical	150		
NURS 650	Direct & Indirect	Clinical, Organizational	150		
NURS 652	Direct & Indirect	Clinical, Organizational	150		
			Total Hours: 1000		

^{*}Students who have been out of clinical courses for ≥ 1 calendar year must pass an OSCE held the semester prior to when the student plans to re-enter clinical courses.

Roles & Responsibilities

Graduate Nursing Students

• Verify that a current affiliation agreement is in place between CMU and the desired clinical organization (clinical site). An agreement is not established between CMU and individual preceptors unless the individual preceptor is also the business owner. Contact scruse@coloradomesa.edu for the most current list of contracted sites or to establish an agreement with a new clinical site. Note that it may take several months for an agreement with a new clinical site to be processed by CMU. New agreements should only be initiated when sufficient time allows for agreements to be established prior to the

^{**}DNP-FNP students are expected to complete a minimum of 800 hours in direct care. Indirect hours are also accrued through service-learning, simulation, OSCEs, & the scholarly project.

- beginning of the clinical course.
- Select a preceptor who meets the roles and responsibilities outlined in the following section. Students should select a preceptor who will maintain a professional relationship with the student. Family members, friends, supervisees, or supervisors are not appropriate to use as preceptors. Clinical course faculty are responsible for approving preceptors selected by students.
- Maintain ethical and professional nursing conduct throughout the clinical practicum.
 This includes arriving on time and communicating with preceptors and course faculty when schedules or experiences require modifications.
- Comply with all the institutional/agency, CMU, and Graduate Nursing Program policies. Students in violation of institutional/agency, university, or program policies are subject to disciplinary actions including program dismissal.
- Never perform any task that is outside of your scope of practice. Performing tasks outside one's scope of practice or tasks performed without the preceptor's consent are subject to disciplinary actions. If the student is involved in any violation during the clinical practicum, he/she must contact course faculty immediately. Failure to contact faculty immediately may jeopardize the student's enrollment in the program.
- Maintain CPR certification, malpractice insurance, vaccinations, and unencumbered registered nursing (RN) license prior to and for the duration of the clinical practicum.
 Failure to maintain any of these will result in expulsion from the clinical practicum and clinical course failure.
- Wear a CMU name badge clearly specifying the student role during all clinical practicum rotations. Comply with the personal appearance requirements of the institution/agency where the clinical practicum hours are accrued. Students must adhere to the requirements set forth by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA). No sandals, open-toe shoes, jeans, or shorts are permitted. No midriff or low-cut clothing is allowed in any clinical practicum site. Lab coats are usually required in clinical settings, although agency/institutional requirements may vary.
- Avoid bringing valuables into clinical practicum sites. CMU and clinical practicum sites are not responsible for lost or stolen items.
- Complete onboarding, if any, for the clinical practicum prior to the beginning of the clinical practicum course. Examples of onboarding include, but are not limited to, fingerprinting, institutional training (e.g. confidentiality, OSHA), and application for parking privileges.
- Possess and bring all necessary supplies to perform roles and responsibilities. Supplies
 may include, but are not limited to clinical supplies (e.g. stethoscope with a bell and
 diaphragm, wristwatch with a second hand, otoscope/ophthalmoscope) and hand-held
 electronic devices (for web-based applications).
- Complete the Clinical Practicum Time Log (Appendix A), have preceptor verify hours performed by initialing each row, and submit to the course D2L shell at least monthly (approximately weeks 4, 8, 12, 16).
- Document all patient cases and clinical hours in Typhon. Complete documentation is important so that you can see where gaps in experiences exist as you progress through your clinical courses.
- For non-degree seeking students and students not yet admitted to the Graduate Nursing Program, malpractice insurance and a criminal background check are

required prior to enrolling in any clinical practicum course. Refer to the <u>Graduate Nursing Program Student Handbook</u> for more information.

Preceptors

- All preceptors, regardless of the student's educational track, should be prepared to:
 - o Maintain a professional relationship with the student. Preceptors should not be family members, friends, supervisees, or supervisors of the student.
 - O Submit curriculum vitae or the Preceptor Data/Demographic Form (Appendix B), and the signed Preceptor Agreement (Appendix C) prior to the start of the student's clinical practicum.
 - o Ensure that the student can complete the designated number of clinical practicum hours under the preceptor's supervision.
 - O Sign a Clinical Practicum Time Log (Appendix A) verifying the student has completed the clinical hours recorded on the Clinical Practicum Time Log. Preceptors will need to respond to the faculty's email verifying that the student completed the documented clinical hours. There are situations where students accrue hours at more than one site. If this is the case, preceptors are only responsible for overseeing the student for hours performed under their direction.
 - o Orient student to clinical setting, organizational policies, and key personnel.
 - O Assist the student in planning experiences based on course objectives and the student's articulated learning needs. Students should not be shadowing. Instead, students should be actively engaged in the clinical practicum. Active engagement is based on the student's progression through the Graduate Nursing Program.
 - o Provide supervision of and feedback to the student on a one-to-one basis until the student and preceptor deem direct supervision is no longer necessary.
 - o Review all student documentation in clinical and/or academic records. Preceptors should co-sign their names to any student documentation.
 - O Serve as a role model and/or mentor to the student.
 - o Maintain an open line of communication with student's faculty, particularly if any concerns arise.
 - Note that students are responsible for working with CMU's clinical placement coordinator to ensure that a current clinical affiliation agreement between CMU and the clinical site is in place.
 - O Submit an evaluation of the student upon completion of the student's clinical rotation. Course preceptors are provided the evaluation form by course faculty.
 - o Contact the faculty via email or phone if a concern arises regarding student's attendance, competence, safety or professional demeanor.
- If precepting **nurse practitioner** students:
 - Be licensed as a nurse practitioner (NP), medical doctor (MD), doctor of osteopathy (DO), or physicians' assistant (PA-C) in the state where the clinical practicum hours are completed.
 - Hold an educational degree at the level of masters or higher (e.g. MS, DNP, MD, DO, MPAS).
 - Work in and have expertise in the substantive area covered in the clinical course (e.g. family practice, internal medicine, geriatrics, pediatrics).
 - o Work in settings contributing to primary care.
 - o Have a minimum of two years of clinical experience in their clinical role.

- If precepting **nurse educator** students:
 - o Maintain an active, unencumbered RN license in the state where the clinical practicum is completed.
 - Hold an educational degree at the level of masters or higher degree from an accredited college or school of nursing. Preceptors holding degrees in disciplines other than nursing must be pre-approved by course instructors prior to the first day of the course.
 - o Have a minimum of two years of experience in the nursing education (clinical or academic) and/or advanced nursing practice.

Clinical Practicum Sites

- Be an affiliated site with CMU prior to the student's start of the clinical rotation. Questions about the organizational affiliation process should be directed to the clinical placement coordinator.
- Provide educational and/or clinical opportunities for graduate nursing students that are congruent with course outcomes and the purpose of the practicum.
- Provide a safe place for the student to achieve the student's learning objectives.
- Maintain all clinical and educational licenses and certifications required by local, state, and national bodies.

Course Faculty

- Oversee all clinical practicum experiences performed by the graduate student. This includes assessing the appropriateness of student experiences, preceptor qualifications, and adequacy of clinical sites (AACN, 2016).
- Discuss the program and/or course requirements and objectives as needed with the preceptor and student.
- Communicate with the preceptor regarding the student's progress. Course faculty will review the student's Clinical Practicum Tim Log at least monthly. Faculty will email the log to the preceptor for verification that it accurately reflects the hours reported by the student.
- Schedule on-site and remote visits (e.g. conference calls, Zoom meetings) with students and/or preceptors at least twice during the semester.
- Approve students' record of clinical hour completion in Typhon.
- Email preceptors with forms aligned with course outcomes for the clinical evaluation of student.

Preceptor & Clinical Practicum Site Selection & Preparation

- 1. Students will discuss potential placement options that are local to the student with the clinical course instructor prior to the clinical practicum course.
- 2. Students will verify that a clinical affiliation agreement is in place between the clinical practicum agency and CMU. Students should contact scruse@coloradomesa.edu for the list of affiliated agencies/institutions.
- 3. Students will reach out to a potential preceptor to inquire about his/her interest in being a preceptor. Students will verify the preceptor has the qualifications as stated in this handbook.
- 4. The student will provide the preceptor with a copy of this handbook, the course syllabus (once it is available), and the following forms which the preceptor will complete and

return to the course instructor no later than the first week of the semester.

- a. CV or the Preceptor Data/Demographic Form (Appendix B).
- b. Preceptor Agreement Form (Appendix C).
- 5. The course instructor will notify the student via email when the student is approved to begin clinical practicum hour accrual. No clinical practicum hours can be accrued prior to approval by the course instructor.

Clinical Practicum Hour Tracking & Verification

- 1. No clinical practicum hours can be accrued prior to the first day of the course. All hours must be completed by the last day of the course.
- 2. Students should schedule their hours in conjunction with their preceptors. Once the schedule of hours is established, record the planned schedule on the Clinical Practicum Time Log (Appendix A) and submit it to the course instructor. The course instructor will use this schedule to make announced and/or unannounced visits to the student's clinical practicum site. All preceptors and course faculty should be notified by the student of any changes to this schedule.
- 3. As the student completes the planned hours, he/she should initial the column corresponding to the date and time on the Clinical Practicum Time Log (Appendix A). The preceptor should also initial the column to verify that the hours were completed. The completed Clinical Practicum Time Log with student and preceptor initials should be uploaded to the clinical course's D2L class shell at least monthly.
- 4. Clinical course instructors will send the Clinical Practicum Time Log submitted by students to the students' preceptors to verify that the log is accurate. Only hours verified by preceptors will be counted towards the student's total hour accrual.
- 5. Hours accrued during a course that exceed the minimum number of hours required cannot be counted towards future courses. Instead, they are included in the total hours performed by the student upon the completion of the student's graduate program.

Use of Typhon

Students must document all clinical practicum experiences in <u>Typhon</u>. Typhon allows students to produce summary reports of all clinical experiences encountered in each clinical course. By reviewing summary reports, students can identify their deficits in clinical experiences. Students should review their summary reports after each clinical practicum rotation to uncover clinical gaps. Students should strive to address clinical gaps when planning subsequent clinical practicum rotations.

Students are expected to follow these steps prior to their first clinical practicum course.

- 1. The semester prior to the first clinical practicum course, students should contact the clinical placement coordinator to establish a Typhon account. Typhon charges a fee for student accounts. Students are responsible for paying fees directly to Typhon.
- 2. Students will receive an email from the clinical placement coordinator with the CMU account number (3055), the student's log in name, and a link for the student to create a password.
- 3. Once the Typhon account is active, students are responsible for uploading proof of the following:
 - a. Personal contact information (phone number, email).

- b. RN license and CPR certification.
- c. Vaccinations. If students claim exemption from any vaccination, they must complete and upload the approved vaccine exemption form. Information about vaccine exemptions can be found at Vaccine exemptions | Department of Public Health & Environment (colorado.gov).
- d. Malpractice insurance as a graduate nursing student. NP student insurance is required upon enrollment in 600 level courses.
- e. Verification of confidentiality (HIPAA) training.
- f. Verification of cultural competency training.
- g. Any additional documentation required by either the clinical practicum site or the course instructor.
- 4. Students may access instructional videos through Typhon on how to use the software and how to aggregate clinical practicum data to identify gaps in clinical practicum experiences.
- 5. Students will verify that the clinical practicum sites and preceptors are among those already listed in the documentation system. If sites or preceptors are not listed, the student will email the Clinical Placement Coordinator to ask that the site/preceptor be added.
- 6. Students will record ALL clinical practicum experiences in Typhon. Hours not posted in Typhon will not count towards the student's clinical practicum hour accrual needed for course completion or graduation from the Graduate Nursing Program.
- 7. Students should complete all sections of the Typhon spreadsheet.

Objective Structured Clinical Examinations (OSCEs)

Students must participate in OSCEs at selected points in the Graduate Nursing Program. OSCEs provide an opportunity for course faculty to verify that nurse practitioner students are able to meet the minimum expectations for each clinical course. OSCEs are considered indirect care hours and can be tracked in Typhon as such. OSCEs may be in-person or remote (e.g., via Zoom). OSCE scenarios vary based on the clinical course and reflect clinical competencies expected of students at various points in the curriculum. The Clinical Evaluation Tool (CET, Appendix D) is used to evaluate nurse practitioner students' OSCE performances. Students who do not pass an OSCE are provided with a remediation attempt. Failure of the remediation attempt may result in a clinical course failure. Check clinical course syllabi for more information about expectations.

Service-Learning Projects: GNOME

Goals-needs-objectives-methods-evaluation (GNOME) is an organizing model used by the Graduate Nursing Program to direct service-learning activities. Service-learning activities are considered indirect care hours and can be tracked in Typhon as such. The GNOME will consist of a project that is based on the needs of a community partner (e.g. clinical or academic organization). Individual course expectations of the GNOME are outlined in the individual courses. All GNOME projects must be approved by course faculty before the student is allowed to begin. The student, in conjunction with course faculty and the community partner, will:

• Goals: Identify a national goal (e.g. Healthy People 2030) that is congruent with the needs of the community partner and the course learning objectives.

- Needs: Perform a needs assessment for the community partner.
- Objectives: Develop objectives that are specific, measurable, achievable, realistic, and timely (SMART).
- Methods: Create and implement methods to meet the stated objectives.
- Evaluation: Evaluate the project to determine if the objectives, needs, and goals were met. Part of the evaluation also includes the student's reflection about the project and the extent to which the project met his/her course or program learning objectives.

Simulation

Simulation is used as an adjunct to clinical practicum experiences. Simulation may include participation in tabletop exercises, grand rounds, mock clinical experiences, and graduate program student intensives (GPSIs). Simulation is considered indirect care hours and can be tracked in Typhon as such. Course syllabi outline the simulation type, if any.

Preceptor & Clinical Practicum Site Evaluation

Students complete an evaluation of preceptors and clinical practicum sites following every clinical practicum rotation. Towards the end of the semester, students receive an email with a link to the survey. Students are expected to complete the survey to communicate to program faculty the quality of the preceptor, clinical practicum site, and overall experience. Students' feedback is important so that we can identify preceptors and clinical practicum sites that best provide students with rich clinical practicum experiences.

Student Violations & Disciplinary Actions

Students are subject to disciplinary actions if any university, program, or institutional violations occur during the clinical practicum rotation. Violations may include, but are not limited to, lapses in ethical conduct, unsafe performance, inability to meet compliance standards for the clinical practicum placement, loss or restriction of the student's nursing license, or unprofessional behavior as defined by either the clinical practicum site staff or the graduate nursing faculty. Disciplinary actions and disciplinary appeals processes are outlined in the CMU Graduate Program Policies and Procedures and the Graduate Nursing Program Student Handbook. Disciplinary actions may include, but are not limited to, expulsion from the clinical site, course failure, and/or program dismissal.

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Appendix A

Clinical Practicum Time Log*

Students should use this form to document the planned dates and times at clinical practicum sites. Once the hours are completed, the student and preceptor should initial the row to verify that the hours were completed. At least monthly, students must upload this form, signed by their preceptors, into their D2L course shell. Faculty will send electronic copies of signed forms to preceptors for verification of documented hours.

_Student Initials: __

Preceptor Name:Preceptor Initials:				
Date	Clinical Practicum Site	# of hours	Preceptor initials	Student initials
	Total hours completed			

Student Name:_

^{*}Use additional sheets if necessary.



Appendix B

Preceptor Data/Demographic Form

Preceptor Full Name & Credentia	ls		
Returning Preceptor? Yes	No	First Time Preceptor	?? YesNo
Organization Name		-	
Organization Address			
Organization AddressPhone Number		Email	
Please indicate if your setting ser Federally-Qualified Head Health Provider Shortage Rural or Frontier Setting Primary Care University/College Other:	th Center e Area	owing (check all that	apply)
Position Total Years/Months in Practice (i			
Educational or Training Program(s)	Degree(s)	Certifications	Date Conferred
State of Licensure	License N	umber	Expiration Date
Clinical/Academic Expertise or	Other Relevant Ex	perience*	
*Use a separate sheet of paper a	nd attach it to this	form for additional in	 nformation that you

would like to include.



Appendix C

Preceptor Agreement Form

Student Name		Date	
Course Number & Title			
Ι,	(Preceptor's Nan	ne), agree to be a prece	eptor for the graduate
nursing student identifie	d above, beginning	(ma	onth/year) and ending
(month/year)	. The student has provided	me with course object	tives, evaluation
materials, faculty contac	t information and other pe	rtinent items related to	this experience. I agree
to oversee all clinical pr	acticum activities of this st	tudent for the duration	of this agreement. I
understand that the stude	ent is required to complete	a total ofhours	s during this clinical
practicum experience. I	agree to facilitate learning	activities that are asso	ciated with the
educator/clinician (circle	e one or both) role and agr	ee to contact the facul	ty member with any
questions or concerns I	nave about the student or the	he student's preparation	on for this experience. I
understand there are no	monetary or nonmonetary	benefits from Colorad	o Mesa University
associated with my role	as a preceptor for this stud	ent. By signing this fo	orm, I attest to the above
and that the student is no	ot related to me, is not my	employee or subordina	ate, and is not my
immediate supervisor.			
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Type or Print Precept	for Name and Title	Date	
Preceptor's Sign	ature	Student's Sig	nature

Appendix D

CMU Nurse Practitioner Clinical Evaluation Tool

Completed by Student's Preceptor and Course Faculty

STUDENT:		E:	
EVALUATOR:	POS	SITION:	
SEMESTER:	DATE OF EVALUATION:	COURSE NAME & NUMBER:	
CHECK: Midterm: _	FINAL:		
designed to highlight piec will achieve Intermediate implementation. A progre from basic skill level to in	es of information that are of the greatest use to High skill level in the areas of interviewing ssion with continual improvement should be	ts in their clinical practice throughout the program. It is o the student and the program. It is expected that the student g, history taking, physical examination, assessment and plan / noted. Over the course of the program, the student will progree expected minimum level for this student is:	
on the total tool.			

Please assess the skill level of this student by by placing an "X" in the box using the following scale:

N/O: = Not observed

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1 point: Below skill level: Extensive help or supervision: consistently requires substantial assistance/supervision to perform tasks adequately.

2 points: Basic skill level: Much help or supervision; performs tasks with basic skill & moderate amount of assistance/supervision. Basic skill level implies an assessment that is relevant to the clinical data being presented by the client.

3 points: Intermediate skill level: Moderate help or supervision; performs tasks with skill & is able to interpret findings with some assistance/supervision.

4 points: High skill level: Minimal help or supervision; performs tasks with proficiency & skill, interprets findings & information with good judgment, using very minimal assistance/supervision.

5 points: Independent: Student would be safe to function in a setting with only consultation available. Independent level is not assumed in all areas of expertise but is included as a point of reference for the faculty / preceptor / student.

Minimum Student Performance to Pass the Clinical Course:

FIRST CLINICAL PRACTICUM: PASSING SCORE IS 80% OR GREATER SECOND CLINICAL PRACTICUM: PASSING SCORE IS 80% OR GREATER THIRD CLINICAL PRACTICUM: PASSING SCORE IS 85% OR GREATER FOURTH CLINICAL PRACTICUM: PASSING SCORE IS 85% OR GREATER

PRECEPTORSHIP: PASSING SCORE IS 90% OR GREATER

Interviewing/History Taking	N/O	1	2	3	4	5	Total
A. Establishes rapport or trust with patient							
B. Interviews patient with respect & skill							
C. Accurate & complete:							
i. Identifies chief complaint or identifies a presenting problem							
ii. Performs symptom analysis of each presenting problem							
iii. Obtains past history							
iv. Obtains family history							
v. Evaluates review of systems							
Diagnosis	N/O	1	2	3	4	5	Total
A. Differentiate between normal, variations of normal & abnormal findings.							
B. Performs a comprehensive physical exam in a timely manner							
C. Identifies appropriate diagnostic testing							
D. Demonstrates critical thinking in clinical decision making							
E. Analyzes & interprets history, physical finding & diagnostic data to determine an							
appropriate differential diagnosis							
F. Creates accurate & comprehensive problem lists							
G. Demonstrates appropriate understanding of pathophysiology & genetics when deemed							
relevant							
Plan	N/O	1	2	3	4	5	Total
A. Formulates plan of care based on evidenced-based standards of care & current							
practice guidelines							
B. Prescribes appropriate non-pharmacological strategies							
C. Recommends interventions with attention to safety, cost, simplicity, adherence, acceptability & efficacy							
D. Develops relevant health promotion / disease prevention							
E. Provides anticipatory guidance & counseling							
F. Appropriate follow up / referrals/ consultations							
G. Includes patient / family in decision-making							
H. Incorporates cultural preferences, traditional practices, & health beliefs into the health							
care plan							
Documentation	N/O	1	2	3	4	5	Total
A. Patient information presented accurately & succinctly							

General	IN/O	1	 3	4	3	101a
A. Utilizes available resources from the community in designing treatment plans						
B. Engages in self-evaluation concerning practice						
C. Assumes accountability for behavior in all nurse – patient relationships						
D. Seeks consultation with preceptor or other collaborators appropriately						
E. Accounts for patient's family situation in creating a plan of care: developmental level,						
health literacy, motivation for change & limitations including financial						
F. Presents an appropriate professional demeanor for the clinical setting: appearance,						
dress, behavior, language						
Total Points Possible: Total Points Earned: _						
Strengths: Areas Needing Improvement:						
For CMU Faculty Use Only: OTAL POINTS EXCLUDING NOT OBSERVED ITEMS: = NUMBER OF POINTS STUDENT RECEIVED: = PERCENT: PASS/FAIL FACULTY SIGNATURE	FOR					

Nurse Practitioner Oral Case Report Evaluation

Student Name:Date:	
PRESENTATION CONTENT (Indicate Excellent, Satisfactory, or Needs improvement for each item)	
1. Begins with clear, humanistic biographical vignette identification (name, gender, ethnicity, age).	
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3. Follows up with further social, occupational, family role of client.	
4. HPI: Presents pertinent positive information (Location, Duration, Exacerbating Factors, Relieving Factors, Related Sympton	ns Current
Medications, Allergies, Lifestyle Habits).	is, Carrent
 Presents pertinent negative information or past social/medical history. 	
6. Presents physical exam in logical order.	
7. Concludes with clear problem list/differential.	
8. Presents plan, giving evidence of patient involvement in the plan of care.	
9. Knowledgeable about the topic. Information is up-to-date.	
10. Presentation is appropriate for the clinical setting (e.g. ambulatory, long term, primary care).	
PRESENTATION SKILLS	
1. Voice quality and projection of voice audible and easily understood.	
2. Demonstrates good memory and retrieval of data.	
3. Uses precise, accurately pronounced terminology, in 3 rd person thought.	
4. Presents in a way that holds the preceptor's/colleague's attention.	
5. Presents findings without equivocation or irrelevant description or distraction.	
6. Presents data organized by relationship to an active problem or to a diagnostic hypothesis.	
7. Brings presentation to an end and is aware of time management.	
8. Adequately responds to questions and requests for clarification or additional information.	
OVERALL ASSESSMENT per preceptor or other colleague P F	
Comments:	
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Areas for Improvement:	
EVALUATOR SIGNATURE:	