

10 Week Acute Care Clinical Experience Progression

Week 1

Orientation to the hospital

Orientation to primary floor(s) and location of equipment/linens/etc

Observe CI perform evaluations & treatment/discuss CI treatment philosophies

Begin exploring electronic medical record to become oriented as to location of information

Possibly perform subjective portion exam on a non-complex patient if observed CI perform

Possibly assist in line management and environment set-up

Become familiar with documentation & billing system

Week 2

Demonstrate understanding of lab values and red flags

Initiate creating patient schedule for the day

Identify pertinent history and assist in appropriate interventions for non-complex patients

Start to perform subjective portion of exam (non-complex patient), if haven't already with 75% guidance

Select appropriate tests and measures 50% of the time

Discuss assessment of examination data in relation to POC with 75-100% guidance

Safely handle and manage basic lines during treatment

Lead treatment for up to 2 patients/day (non-complex patient) with 75-100% guidance

Perform interventions on 1-2 complex patients with 100% guidance

Assist CI in interventions on all other patients

Document on a minimum of 3 patients/day (soap notes or part of evaluations)

Make appropriate discharge recommendations 25% of the time

Communicate home program and initiate caregiver training with 75-100% guidance

Week 3

Continuation of safety with handling, line management, and environmental set-up

Perform all subjective portions of exam on simple patients with 50% guidance and complex patients with 75% guidance

Select appropriate tests and measures 75% of the time

Perform all objective portions of exam on simple patients with 50% guidance

Perform portions of to all objective exam on complex patients with 75% guidance

Discuss assessment of examination data in relation to POC with 50-75% guidance for non-complex patients

Lead treatment for 3-4 patients/day (non complex patient) with 50% guidance

Lead treatment for 1-2 complex patient/day with 75% guidance

Perform all documentation for simple patients with 50% correction

Continuation of teaching home program and caregiver training with 50-75% guidance

Make appropriate discharge recommendations 50% of the time

Week 4
Arrange/organize schedule for the day
Perform full evaluations on simple patients with 25-50% guidance
Perform full evaluations on complex patients with 50-75% guidance
Select appropriate tests and measures 75-100% of the time
Discuss assessment of examination data in relation to POC with 25-50% guidance for non-complex patients
Discuss assessment of examination data in relation to POC with 50-75% guidance for complex patients
Perform all interventions on simple patients with 25-50% guidance
Perform all interventions on complex patients with 50-75% guidance
Continuation of teaching home program and caregiver training with 25-50% guidance
Be able to efficiently manage existing schedule, staying on schedule with 50% guidance
Perform all documentation for patients with 50% correction
Week 5-6
Continuation and progression of week 4 activities, with decreasing guidance necessary
Perform all documentation for patients with 25% correction
Make appropriate discharge recommendations with justification 75% of the time
Be able to manage 50-75% of CI's schedule with good efficiency
Week 7
Perform all simple evaluations with 0-25% guidance & complex with 25-50% guidance
Discuss assessment of examination data in relation to POC with 0-25% guidance for non-complex patients
Discuss assessment of examination data in relation to POC with 25-50% guidance for complex patients
Perform all interventions for simple patients with minimal to no guidance and complex with 25% guidance
Perform all documentation for patients with 0-25% correction
Make appropriate discharge recommendations with justification 100% of the time
Be able to manage minimum 75-90% of CI's schedule with good efficiency & staying on schedule
Week 8
Continuation/progression of week 7 activities
Perform in the acute care environment as expected for a new graduate who is newly employed
Weeks 9 and 10
Continuation/progression of week 8 activities with increased consistency in performance
Perform in the acute care environment as expected for a new graduate who is newly employed
Participate in other activities as appropriate (i.e. surgery observation, etc) if available

** should consistently progress with communication with other disciplines to enhance patient care