

N: Pediatrics

Major Competency Area: N
Pediatrics

Competency: N-1
Pediatric Nursing

Date: January 16, 2017

A Licensed Practical Nurse will:

- N-1-1 Demonstrate knowledge and ability to apply critical thinking and critical inquiry throughout the nursing process in pediatric care.**
- N-1-2 Demonstrate knowledge of stages of growth and development of pediatric client.**
- N-1-3 Demonstrate knowledge of pediatric diseases and medical conditions such as:**
- asthma
 - cerebral palsy
 - cleft lip/palate
 - congenital anomalies
 - gastrointestinal disorders
 - respiratory disorders
 - spectrum disorders (autism, fetal alcohol)
- N-1-4 Demonstrate knowledge of Legislation affecting pediatric nursing and client.**
- N-1-5 Demonstrate knowledge and ability to identify and report signs and/or symptoms of abuse of pediatric client according to agency policy.**
- N-1-6 Demonstrate knowledge and ability to provide health teaching and coaching associated with pediatric nursing.**
- N-1-7 Demonstrate knowledge and ability to communicate and collaborate with inter-professional team to provide support and resources to pediatric client, family and others.**

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Competency: N-2
Pediatric Care and Interventions

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A Licensed Practical Nurse will:

- N-2-1 Demonstrate knowledge and ability to complete comprehensive nursing assessment, care, health teaching and coaching in care of pediatric client.**
- N-2-2 Demonstrate knowledge and ability to provide evidence informed, client centered care in relation to pediatric nursing:**
- involve family and caregivers in care
 - ensure goals of care are realistic and achievable
 - adapt interpersonal communication
 - identify and address emotional needs of client, family and others
 - adjustment to hospitalization
- N-2-3 Demonstrate knowledge and ability to assess risk and implement safety measures or restraints specific to pediatric client according to agency policy.**
- N-2-4 Demonstrate knowledge and ability to apply principles of pharmacokinetics and pharmacodynamics specific to pediatric client.**
- N-2-5 Demonstrate knowledge and ability to adapt care to provide optimum nutrition for pediatric client:**
- adaptive devices
 - allergies/sensitivities/preferences
 - conducive environment
 - cultural and religious influences
 - feeding techniques
 - nutritional requirements/supplements
 - sensory deficits
- N-2-6 Demonstrate knowledge and ability to assess home environment, family dynamics and access to resources.**
- N-2-7 Demonstrate knowledge and ability to collaborate with inter-professional team to provide resources and support to pediatric client, family and others.**

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A Licensed Practical Nurse will:

N-2-8 Demonstrate knowledge and ability to provide evidence informed end of life care for pediatric client integrating palliative principles and values including:

- appropriate palliative analgesia
- holistic client centered care
- open dialogue regarding end of life
- spiritual and religious support
- symptom management and comfort measures

N-2-9 Demonstrate knowledge and ability to provide compassionate care for the family in death of a pediatric client.

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Competency: N-3
Pediatric Pain Management

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A Licensed Practical Nurse will:

N-3-1 Demonstrate knowledge and ability to assess pediatric client for pain considering:

- age
- behaviors
- cultural influence
- location and intensity
- physiological and psychological factors
- previous medication and effectiveness
- subjective and objective data

N-3-2 Demonstrate knowledge and ability to adapt pain management and comfort measures for pediatric client:

- physical
- psychological
- pharmacological

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