**Evidence-Based Research Paper Content**

1. Abstract

 Concisely summarize the key points of your research. Your abstract should contain your research topic, concepts used, results, data analysis, and conclusion. You may also include possible implications of your research and future work you see connected with your findings. Do not indent the first line.

1. Introduction

The paper begins with the introduction. In one or two paragraphs, briefly introduce the problem, and state the issue to be examined. The introduction should explain what you are trying to prove or disprove in the paper. You should include a thesis statement. The thesis statement is one complete sentence that summarize the main idea and establish the direction of the research paper.

1. Patient Data

This section should refer to the clinical day’s data sheets and/or clinical worksheets. Discuss the patient’s primary disease process, concurrent medical diseases processes, significant assessment data, diagnostic tests/surgical procedures, and medication profile. Attach a medication sheet in the Appendix of the paper. The patient data sheet and/or clinical day worksheet should be attached in the Appendix of the paper. Discuss how the course concept you selected is related to this patient.

1. Journal Articles

 Discuss three professional nursing journal articles related to this patient’s disease process, history, and/or concept. At least two of the articles should be research-based articles and none of the articles should be more than five years old. Apply the journal articles to this patient’s unique needs. Submit a copy of each of the three professional nursing journal articles in the Appendix of the paper. In order to get the point credit for this area of the paper, the journal articles MUST be from published nursing journals. Failure to use nursing journals in this area of the paper forfeits one point for each of the three required nursing articles.

1. Discharge Teaching / Resources

Identify and discuss three discharge teaching needs for this patient. Discuss one out-patient resource appropriate for this patient. Be specific. Identify the name, location, contact person, and description of the chosen resource.

1. Conclusion

 Summarize the significant patient data. Analyze the patient’s progress. Evaluate the patient’s healthcare activity. Are his needs being met? How could he be better served? What did you learn from taking care of this patient? What did you learn about this patient’s disease process? How will you apply what you learned?

Grading:

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| Abstract | 1 point  |
| Introduction | 1 point |
| Patient Data  | 4 points |
| Nursing Journal Article Discussion  | 4.5 points  |
| Discharge Teaching / Resources  | 3.5 points  |
| Conclusion | 2.5 points  |
| APA | 2.5 points  |
| Grammar | 1 point  |
| **Total Points** | **20 points** |

* *The length of the paper’s content (1-6 above) is expected to be 8-10 pages. The Reference Page and Appendix are in addition to the paper content pages.*
* *This paper will be graded by the clinical instructor.*

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| Total Points: 20  | Points Allowed  | Points Deducted  | Points Given  |
| I. Abstract  | 1  |   |   |
| II. Introduction | 1 |  |  |
| III. Patient Data  | 4 |  |  |
|  Disease processes, assessment data, diagnostic tests, surgical  procedures, medication profile. (2 points) |  |  |  |
|  Discuss how the course concept you selected is related to  this patient. (2 points) |  |  |  |
| IV. Nursing Journal Article Discussion  | 4.5 |   |   |
|  Nursing Research Journal #1 (1.5 point)  |   |   |   |
|  Nursing Research Journal #2 (1.5 point)  |   |   |   |
|  Nursing Journal #3 (1.5 point) |   |   |   |
| V. Discharge Teaching/Resources  | 3.5  |   |   |
|  Discharge Teaching Topic #1 (1 point)  |   |   |   |
|  Discharge Teaching Topic #2 (1 point)  |   |   |   |
|  Discharge Teaching Topic #3 (1 point)  |   |   |   |
|  Out-patient Patient Resource (0.5 point)   |   |   |   |
| VI. Conclusion  Summarize data; analyze patient progress; evaluate  patient healthcare activity; application; student  professional growth  | 2.5  |   |   |
| VII. APA  Format, Title Page, Running head, Reference Page  | 2.5  |   |   |
| VIII. Grammar  Sentence composition, spelling, clarity  |  1   |   |   |
| IX. Appendix  Medication sheet; data sheet; 3 nursing journal articles  \*\**Point(s) deduction if not complete and included*  |   |   | X  |
| X. Point deduction for late paper submission  Two-point deduction for first late day  One point deduction for each additional late day \*\**Course grade “F” for paper submitted more than four days after assigned due date.*   |   |   | X  |
| XI. Plagiarism – See Handbook and COD Catalog  |   |   | X  |
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| **TOTAL POINTS:**  |  **20**  |   |   |

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