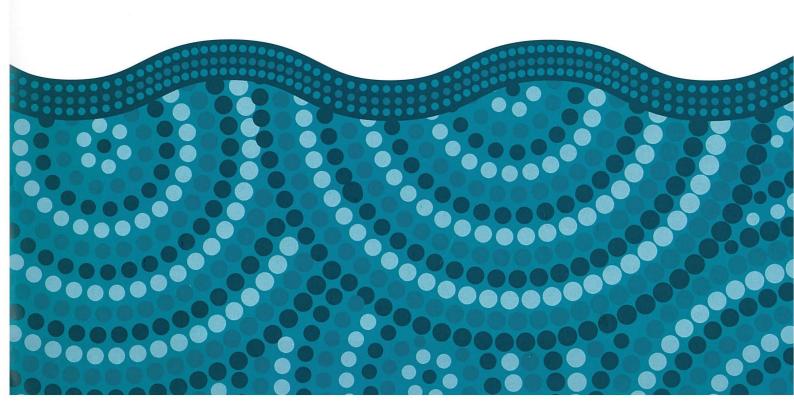


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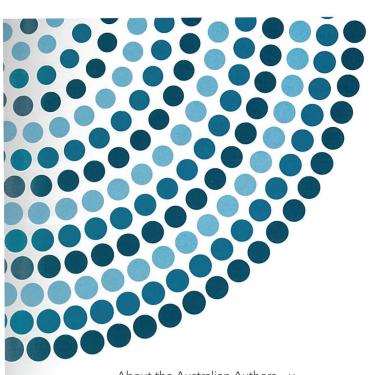
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PREFACE

Excellence in clinical practice requires nurses to have a sophisticated knowledge level, highly developed technical and non-technical skills, a professional attitude and a person-centred approach. Quality and safety in health care is dependent upon the extent to which nurses are able to integrate these essential components into their care.

This first Australian edition of Skills in Clinical Nursing includes 95 of the most important skills performed by nursing students and graduates, organised from simple to complex and written to reflect current evidence-based practice guidelines. Skills in Clinical Nursing is intended to be a valuable textbook for nursing students and beginning nurses. Content was selected based on feedback from clinical reviewers, a market survey, and the extensive teaching and clinical experience of the authors. All content was critically reviewed for currency and accuracy by practising clinicians.

Format

Skills in Clinical Nursing has been designed as a practical and easy-to-navigate reference for both the classroom and clinical practice settings.

Each section contains concise introductory information with clear learning outcomes and key terms. Background information contextualises the skills and provides a brief overview of relevant anatomy, physiology and pathophysiology. The importance of and rationale for each skill is then outlined.

Each unit includes the following elements and features:

CLINICAL SAFETY ALERTS – highlight key patient safety issues relevant to the performance of particular skills.

STANDARDS FOR PRACTICE – link performance of the skills with the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia (NMBA) Registered Nurse Standards for Practice (2016).

CLINICAL SCENARIOS – link what you are learning to a relevant clinical story. The scenarios are designed to promote person-centred care and clinical reasoning skills.

CRITICAL THINKING QUESTIONS – test your knowledge and application of learning at the end of each introductory section and following each Clinical Scenario.

WHAT IF? – explore unexpected outcomes in a concept map format.

LIFESPAN CONSIDERATIONS – present age-related content to alert you to differences in caring for people of different ages.

3Ps TABLES – Each clinical skill is organised with step-by-step instructions and using the 3P structure:

- 1. Preparation and planning
- 2. Performing the procedure
- 3. Priorities post procedure.

Explanations and rationales explain the reasons for particular nursing actions and decisions in the 3Ps Table.

Critical steps are visually represented with full colour photos and illustrations.

FURTHER READINGS, WEBLINKS and **REFERENCES** – provide evidence-based resources to extend your learning and can be found at the end of each unit.

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FEATURES

CLINICAL SAFETY ALERTS – highlight key patient safety issues relevant to the performance of particular skills.

CLINICAL SAFETY ALERT

Prior to performing the skill, as with all clinical skills, the procedure needs to be fully explained to the person and consent obtained. People often report that knowing what is going to be done to them, helps minimise the embarrassment (Matiti & Trorey, 2008). This is especially important when performing hygiene care. It is also critical to remember that the person is free to withdraw their consent at any time or only consent to certain aspects of hygiene care.

STANDARDS FOR PRACTICE

The Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia (NMBA) Registered Nurse Standards for Practice (2016) specify that the registered nurse 'coordinates resources effectively and efficiently for planned actions' (NMBA, 2016, p. 4) and 'appropriately delegates aspects of practice to enrolled nurses and others, according to enrolled nurse's scope of practice or others' clinical or non-clinical roles' (NMBA, 2016, p. 5. © Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia).

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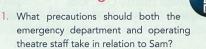
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CRITICAL THINKING QUESTIONS – test your **.** knowledge and application of learning at the end of each introductory section and following each Clinical Scenario.

CLINICAL SCENARIO

Back to Sam Neal, a 30-year-old male with a past history of contracting HBV. Sam has been diagnosed with appendicitis and is now being prepared for surgery.

Critical Thinking Questions



2. How should body secretions, bed linen, equipment used for vital signs, one-use disposable equipment, sharps and laboratory specimens be handled?

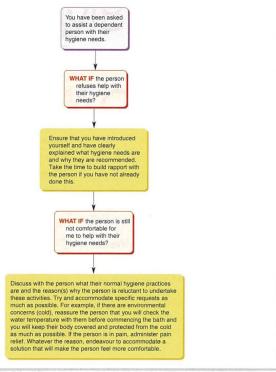
LIFESPAN CONSIDERATIONS

When providing hygienic care for an older person be mindful of the developmental changes that occur with skin. The older person's skin is more fragile and therefore care is needed with the amount of pressure and friction that is used when cleansing. Too much pressure or friction will put the person at risk of skin breakdown and injury. Recommendations for helping to maintain skin integrity include the use of protective moisturisers and not using 'drying' soaps.

• **LIFESPAN CONSIDERATIONS** – present age-related content to alert you to differences in caring for people of different ages.

WHAT IF FEATURES – explore unexpected outcomes in a concept map format.

What If ... Bed bathing a dependent person



THE 3Ps TABLE BED BATHING A DEPENDENT PERSON

PREPARATION AND PLANNING

ACTION

Perform hand hygiene.

Determine the indication and the type of bath that the person's health status and what procedures they have undergone will guide person needs. Determine if the hygiene care can be the nurse in her/his assessment of whether the care can be delegated. delegated to an Assistant in Nursing or appropriate caregiver.

Assess the person's physiological and psychological comfort levels and determine if there are cultural, religious, environmental or any other factors that need to be considered prior to commencing the procedure.

Determine the person's self-care ability.

Gather the necessary equipment and supplies to complete the procedure. The equipment needed includes:

- Non-sterile clean gloves (if appropriate)
- Washcloth × 2
- Soap/cleansing agent
- Bath towels × 2
- Extra towel/Bath blanket
- Basin (or sink) with warm water (43°C-46°C)
- Toiletry items as requested by the person (i.e. lotions, deodorant, shaving equipment)
- Clean linen and linen carrier (linen skip)
- Pyjamas, gown or clothes • Table for bathing equipment.

PERFORMING THE PROCEDURE

ACTION

Introduce yourself to the person using full name and designation. Verify the person's identity and ask how they would like you to address them, i.e. their preferred name.

EXPLANATION AND RATIONALE

EXPLANATION AND RATIONALE

cross contamination.

Perform hand hygiene and put gloves on if body fluids or open lesions are present.

Hand hygiene is an essential skill to remove microorganisms and prevent cross contamination. Gloves are required if body fluids or open lesions are present or if you are providing perineal-genital hygiene care.

Hand hygiene is an essential skill to remove microorganisms and prevent

A person-centred approach to care is essential. Nurses needs to be considerate of a person's normal hygienic practices and individual preferences. Whenever possible, individual preferences should be accommodated and the person should be made to feel as comfortable as possible. A person-centred approach will also help determine if there are any specific precautions or considerations needed for that person – i.e. movement issues, intravenous therapy, plaster casts.

Encouraging the person to perform self-care if they are physically and psychologically able to do so. Self-care helps to promote independence, exercise and self-esteem. Often people prefer to clean their own face and gen

Having all the equipment available and ready to use avoids interrupting the bed bath or leaving the person unattended while the nurse retrieves the missing items. It also improves time management as having to stop and start to retrieve equipment will cause the procedure to take longer.

This is a professional expectation and helps to promote rapport with the person. Verifying the person's identity ensures that you have the right person. Checking how the person prefers to be addressed also helps to promote rapport and demonstrates respect.

.... 3Ps TABLE - Each clinical skill

- 1. Preparing and planning
- 2. Performing the procedure
- 3. Priorities post procedure

FORMS — These can be used for both peer review and for formative and summative evaluation of students' clinical skills performance.

CLINICAL SKILLS APPRAISAL > Section 1.3 Clinical Skills Appraisal Form

USING PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT (PPE)
U – Unsatisfactory; D – Developing; S – Satisfactory; NA – Not applicable

J – Unsatisfactory; D – Developing; S – Satisfactory; NA – Not applicable			_	
PREPARATION AND PLANNING FOR THE PROCEDURE	U	D	S	NA
Determines activities				
Determines infection control precaution level				
Collects equipment: Gown, mask, eyewear, gloves				
PERFORMING THE PROCEDURE				
Removes/secures all loose personal items				
Explains to the individual why PPE is necessary				
Performs hand hygiene and observes appropriate infection control procedures				
Applies a clean gown				
Applies the face mask				
Applies protective eyewear if it is not combined with the face mask				
Applies clean gloves				
To remove soiled PPE, removes the gloves first since they are the most soiled				
Performs hand hygiene				
Removes protective eyewear and dispose of properly or place in the appropriate receptacle for cleaning				
Removes the gown when preparing to leave the room				
Removes the mask				
PRIORITIES POST PROCEDURE				
Disposes of used equipment appropriately				
Performs hand hygiene				
Ensures that area is stocked with necessary equipment				

Student:

Assessor name and signature: Comments:

Date:

MAPPING TO THE NMBA REGISTERED NURSE STANDARDS FOR PRACTICE

UNIT NUMBER	STANDARD	CRITERIA	EVIDENCE-BASED EXAMPLE
1	Thinks critically and analyses nursing practice	Complies with legislation, regulations, policies, guidelines and other standards or requirements relevant to the context of practice when making decisions	Failure to implement basic infection control principles will increase the risk of health care-associated infections, in Section 1.1 <i>Clinical Safety Alert</i> , p. 4.
1	Thinks critically and analyses nursing practice	Complies with legislation, regulations, policies, guidelines and other standards or requirements relevant to the context of practice when making decisions	The strategies of hand hygiene, the application of standard precautions, where required transmission-based precautions, cleaning and disinfection
	Develops a plan for nursing practice	Uses assessment data and best available evidence to develop a plan	reduces the spread of infection, in Section 1.1, p. 4.
1	5. Develops a plan for nursing practice	Uses assessment data and best available evidence to develop a plan	Personal protective equipment is a major consideration in preventing and controlling infection, in Section 1.3, p. 11.
2	3. Maintains the capability for practice	Considers and responds in a timely manner to the health and wellbeing of self and others in relation to the capability for practice	'Pause-break-stretches' assists health care workers to relax their muscles after performing manual handling activities, in Section 2.1, p. 45.
2	4. Comprehensively conducts assessments	Conducts assessments that are holistic as well as culturally appropriate	A person who has had a fall, whether there is an injury or not, may develop a loss of confidence in walking. Through assessment nurses are able to assist the person in identifying strategies to increase their confidence to walk, in Section 2.2, p. 50.
2	5. Develops a plan for nursing practice6. Provides safe, appropriate and responsive quality	Uses assessment data and best available evidence to develop a plan Provides comprehensive safe, quality practice to achieve agreed goals and outcomes that	Cushions that distribute a person's weight evenly are essential to prevent skin breakdown when they are confined to a wheelchair, in Section 2.3 <i>Clinical Safety</i>
	nursing practice	are responsive to the nursing needs of people	Alert, p. 58.
2	Comprehensively conducts assessments	Uses a range of assessment techniques to systematically collect relevant and accurate information and data to inform practice	A person must be measured for crutches, otherwise if the crutches are too long the person is at risk of falling, or too short they are at risk of poor body posture, in Section 2.4 Clinical Safety Alert, p. 66.
2	Develops a plan for nursing practice	Uses assessment data and best available evidence to develop a plan	Frequent position changes assist in the prevention of pressure ulcers, superficial
	Provides safe, appropriate and responsive quality nursing practice	Provides comprehensive safe, quality practice to achieve agreed goals and outcomes that are responsive to the nursing needs of people	nerve damage and contractures, in Section 2.5 <i>Clinical Safety Alert</i> , p. 74.
2	3. Maintains the capability for practice	Considers and responds in a timely manner to the health and wellbeing of self and others in relation to the capability for practice	The use of lifting devices reduces musculoskeletal pain and injuries to both the nurse and the person, in Section 2.6
	Develops a plan for nursing practice	Uses assessment data and best available evidence to develop a plan	Clinical Safety Alert, p. 83.
	Provides safe, appropriate and responsive quality nursing practice	Practises in accordance with relevant policies, guidelines, standards, regulations and legislation	

UNIT NUMBER	STANDARD	CRITERIA	EVIDENCE-BASED EXAMPLE
3	 Thinks critically and analyses nursing practice Comprehensively conducts assessments 	Complies with legislation, regulations, policies, guidelines and other standards or requirements relevant to the context of practice when making decisions Uses a range of assessment techniques to systematically collect relevant and accurate	Taking a temperature via the rectal route is contraindicated for persons with rectal surgery, diseases, or have diarrhoea, haemorrhoids or immunosuppression, in Section 3.3 Clinical Safety Alert, p. 101.
3	Thinks critically and	information and data to inform practice Complies with legislation, regulations,	Do not press both carotid arteries at the
	analyses nursing practice	policies, guidelines and other standards or requirements relevant to the context of practice when making decisions	same time as there can a reflex decrease in blood pressure or pulse , in Section 3.3 <i>Clinical Safety Alert</i> , p. 109.
	Comprehensively conducts assessments	Uses a range of assessment techniques to systematically collect relevant and accurate information and data to inform practice	
3	Thinks critically and analyses nursing practice	Complies with legislation, regulations, policies, guidelines and other standards or requirements relevant to the context of practice when making decisions	When a sleeping adult has a respiratory rate less than 10 breaths per minute, use other vital signs to validate status, in Section 3.3 <i>Clinical Safety Alert</i> , p. 117.
	Comprehensively conducts assessments	Uses a range of assessment techniques to systematically collect relevant and accurate information and data to inform practice	
	Thinks critically and analyses nursing practice	Complies with legislation, regulations, policies, guidelines and other standards or requirements relevant to the context of practice when making decisions	A systolic blood pressure greater than 180 mmHg or less than 80 mmHg requires an immediate nursing response, in Section 3.3 <i>Clinical Safety Alert</i> , p. 127.
	Comprehensively conducts assessments	Uses a range of assessment techniques to systematically collect relevant and accurate information and data to inform practice	
4	Develops a plan for nursing practice	Uses assessment data and best available evidence to develop a plan	Regular hygiene promotes healthy skin, control of odours, circulation, gentle
	Provides safe, appropriate and responsive quality nursing practice	Practises in accordance with relevant policies, guidelines, standards, regulations and legislation	musculoskeletal movement and skin assessment, in Section 4.1, p. 158.
4	Develops a plan for nursing practice	Uses assessment data and best available evidence to develop a plan	Cleansing creams do not dry the skin like soap or detergents, and should be used in conjunction with a moisturiser, in Section 4.3
	Provides safe, appropriate and responsive quality nursing practice	Practises in accordance with relevant policies, guidelines, standards, regulations and legislation	Clinical Safety Alert, p. 174.
4	Develops a plan for nursing practice	Uses assessment data and best available evidence to develop a plan	People in long-term care settings are at high risk of oral health problems and
	Provides safe, appropriate and responsive quality nursing practice	Practises in accordance with relevant policies, guidelines, standards, regulations and legislation	respiratory diseases, in Section 4.4 Clinical Safety Alert, p. 179.
5	Comprehensively conducts assessments	Uses a range of assessment techniques to systematically collect relevant and accurate information and data to inform practice	To reduce the risk of pressure injuries, requires ongoing assessment, positioning, nutrition, hygiene and pressure relieving
	Develops a plan for nursing practice	Uses assessment data and best available evidence to develop a plan	devices, in Section 5.2, p. 195.
	Provides safe, appropriate and responsive quality nursing practice	Practises in accordance with relevant policies, guidelines, standards, regulations and legislation	
5	Thinks critically and analyses nursing practice	Complies with legislation, regulations, policies, guidelines and other standards or requirements relevant to the context of practice when making decisions	Minor wounds in children should be cleansed with warm soapy water and covered with a sterile bandage, in Section 5.3 Lifespan Considerations,
	5. Develops a plan for nursing practice	Uses assessment data and best available evidence to develop a plan	p. 201.
	Provides safe, appropriate and responsive quality nursing practice	Practises in accordance with relevant policies, guidelines, standards, regulations and legislation	

UNIT NUMBER	ST	ANDARD	CRITERIA	EVIDENCE-BASED EXAMPLE
5	1.	Thinks critically and analyses nursing practice	Complies with legislation, regulations, policies, guidelines and other standards or requirements relevant to the context of practice when making decisions	Wound packing facilitates granulation tissue formation, removal of necrotic material and healing by secondary intention, in Section 5.6, p. 217.
	5.	Develops a plan for nursing practice	Uses assessment data and best available evidence to develop a plan	
	6.	Provides safe, appropriate and responsive quality nursing practice	Practises in accordance with relevant policies, guidelines, standards, regulations and legislation	
6	6.	Provides safe, appropriate and responsive quality nursing practice	Practises in accordance with relevant policies, guidelines, standards, regulations and legislation	The medication label must be compared to the medication three times before administration, in Section 6.1 <i>Box</i> 6-2, p. 248.
6	1.	Thinks critically and analyses nursing practice	Complies with legislation, regulations, policies, guidelines and other standards or requirements relevant to the context of practice when making decisions	Enteric coated, slow release, sublingual and buccal medications are not be crushed as the rate of absorption will change and efficacy will be effected, in
	5.	Develops a plan for nursing practice	Uses assessment data and best available evidence to develop a plan	Section 6.2 Clinical Safety Alert, p. 251.
	6.	Provides safe, appropriate and responsive quality nursing practice	Practises in accordance with relevant policies, guidelines, standards, regulations and legislation	
6	1.	Thinks critically and analyses nursing practice	Complies with legislation, regulations, policies, guidelines and other standards or requirements relevant to the context of practice when making decisions	Gloves are worn when applying a transdermal patch to prevent skin contamination, in Section 6.3 <i>Clinical Safety Alert</i> , p. 256.
	5.	Develops a plan for nursing practice	Uses assessment data and best available evidence to develop a plan	
	6.	Provides safe, appropriate and responsive quality nursing practice	Practises in accordance with relevant policies, guidelines, standards, regulations and legislation	
6	1.	Thinks critically and analyses nursing practice	Complies with legislation, regulations, policies, guidelines and other standards or requirements relevant to the context of practice when making decisions	Subcutaneous injection sites are rotated to minimise tissue damage, facilitate absorption, and avoid discomfort, in Section 6.4, p. 278.
	5.	Develops a plan for nursing practice	Uses assessment data and best available evidence to develop a plan	
	6.	Provides safe, appropriate and responsive quality nursing practice	Practises in accordance with relevant policies, guidelines, standards, regulations and legislation	
6	1.	Thinks critically and analyses nursing practice	Complies with legislation, regulations, policies, guidelines and other standards or requirements relevant to the context of practice when making decisions	Check for signs of phlebitis, thrombophlebitis, infection, inflammation and infiltration before administering an intravenous route medication, in Section 6.4
	4.	Comprehensively conducts assessments	Uses a range of assessment techniques to systematically collect relevant and accurate information and data to inform practice	р. 290.
7	2.	Engages in therapeutic and professional relationships	Actively fosters a culture of safety and learning that includes engaging with health professionals and others, to share knowledge and practice that supports person-centred care	Two registered nurses are required to prepare intravenous medication and set patient controlled analgesia pump settings, in Section 7.3 <i>Clinical Safety Alert</i> , p. 332.
	6.	Provides safe, appropriate and responsive quality nursing practice	Provides comprehensive safe, quality practice to achieve agreed goals and outcomes that are responsive to the nursing needs of people	
7	1.	Thinks critically and analyses nursing practice	Complies with legislation, regulations, policies, guidelines and other standards or requirements relevant to the context of practice when making decisions	To mitigate the risks of patient controlled analgesia of sedation, respiratory depression and hypotension, observations are recorded at regular intervals, in
	4.	Comprehensively conducts assessments	Uses a range of assessment techniques to systematically collect relevant and accurate information and data to inform practice	Section 7.3, p. 333.

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7 manulun	1.	Thinks critically and analyses nursing practice	Complies with legislation, regulations, policies, guidelines and other standards or requirements relevant to the context of practice when making decisions	Contraindications to massage therapy are fractures, recent surgery and poor skin integrity, in Section 7.4, p. 336.
	4.	Comprehensively conducts assessments	Uses a range of assessment techniques to systematically collect relevant and accurate information and data to inform practice	
	5.	Develops a plan for nursing practice	Uses assessment data and best available evidence to develop a plan	
8	1.	Thinks critically and analyses nursing practice	Complies with legislation, regulations, policies, guidelines and other standards or requirements relevant to the context of practice when making decisions	Adequate hydration and fluids promotes healing, so fasting should be within the guidelines, in Section 8.2, p. 347.
	5.	Develops a plan for nursing practice	Uses assessment data and best available evidence to develop a plan	
	6.	Provides safe, appropriate and responsive quality nursing practice	Practises in accordance with relevant policies, guidelines, standards, regulations and legislation	
8	1.	Thinks critically and analyses nursing practice	Complies with legislation, regulations, policies, guidelines and other standards or requirements relevant to the context of practice when making decisions	Preoperative teaching reduces anxiety, increases pain control and the person's satisfaction with the surgical experience, in Section 8.2, p. 349.
	5.	Develops a plan for nursing practice	Uses assessment data and best available evidence to develop a plan	
	6.	Provides safe, appropriate and responsive quality nursing practice	Practises in accordance with relevant policies, guidelines, standards, regulations and legislation	
8	1.	Thinks critically and analyses nursing practice	Complies with legislation, regulations, policies, guidelines and other standards or requirements relevant to the context of practice when making decisions	Anti-emboli stockings reduce help prevent venous stasis, in in Section 8.2, p. 354.
	5.	Develops a plan for nursing practice practice	Uses assessment data and best available evidence to develop a plan	
	6.	Provides safe, appropriate and responsive quality nursing practice	Practises in accordance with relevant policies, guidelines, standards, regulations and legislation	
9	1.	Thinks critically and analyses nursing practice	Complies with legislation, regulations, policies, guidelines and other standards or requirements relevant to the context of practice when making decisions	Nasogastric tube insertion is more challenging when a person is critically ill, has a neurological deficit, a tracheostomy tube is insitu and clotting profile is
	5.	Develops a plan for nursing practice	Uses assessment data and best available evidence to develop a plan	impaired, in Section 9.4 <i>Clinical Safety Alert</i> , p. 382.
	6.	Provides safe, appropriate and responsive quality nursing practice	Practises in accordance with relevant policies, guidelines, standards, regulations and legislation	
9	1.	Thinks critically and analyses nursing practice	Complies with legislation, regulations, policies, guidelines and other standards or requirements relevant to the context of practice when making decisions	Each nurse is responsible for checking the position of an enteral feeding tube at least once per shift, in Section 9.5, p. 389.
	4.	Comprehensively conducts assessments	Uses a range of assessment techniques to systematically collect relevant and accurate information and data to inform practice	
9	1.	Thinks critically and analyses nursing practice	Complies with legislation, regulations, policies, guidelines and other standards or requirements relevant to the context of practice when making decisions	Feeding tubes are flushed with 30 mL of water before, between and after each medication is administered, in Section 9.5, p. 390.
	5.	Develops a plan for nursing practice	Uses assessment data and best available evidence to develop a plan	
	6.	Provides safe, appropriate and responsive quality nursing practice	Practises in accordance with relevant policies, guidelines, standards, regulations and legislation	

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10	1.	Thinks critically and analyses nursing practice	Complies with legislation, regulations, policies, guidelines and other standards or requirements relevant to the context of practice when making decisions	Older adults who have urinary problems, including incontinence are at greater risk of falling, and require a falls strategy, in Section 10.1 Clinical Safety Alert, p. 414.
	4.	Comprehensively conducts assessments	Uses a range of assessment techniques to systematically collect relevant and accurate information and data to inform practice	
	5.	Develops a plan for nursing practice	Uses assessment data and best available evidence to develop a plan	
10	1.	Thinks critically and analyses nursing practice	Complies with legislation, regulations, policies, guidelines and other standards or requirements relevant to the context of practice when making decisions	A urine output of below 1 mL/kg/hr is a reportable observation and is an indicator of cardiac or renal dysfunction, in Section 10.2 Clinical Safety Alert, p. 418
	4.	Comprehensively conducts assessments	Uses a range of assessment techniques to systematically collect relevant and accurate information and data to inform practice	
	5.	Develops a plan for nursing practice	Uses assessment data and best available evidence to develop a plan	
10	1.	Thinks critically and analyses nursing practice	Complies with legislation, regulations, policies, guidelines and other standards or requirements relevant to the context of practice when making decisions	Urinary sheaths reduce skin irritation due to urinary incontinence, in Section 10.3, p. 432.
	5.	Develops a plan for nursing practice	Uses assessment data and best available evidence to develop a plan	
	6.	Provides safe, appropriate and responsive quality nursing practice	Practises in accordance with relevant policies, guidelines, standards, regulations and legislation	
11	1.	Thinks critically and analysės nursing practice	Complies with legislation, regulations, policies, guidelines and other standards or requirements relevant to the context of practice when making decisions	Initial venipuncture occurs in the distal part of the arm so as subsequent venipunctures move up the arm, in Section 11.7, p. 490.
	5.	Develops a plan for nursing practice	Uses assessment data and best available evidence to develop a plan	
	6.	Provides safe, appropriate and responsive quality nursing practice	Practises in accordance with relevant policies, guidelines, standards, regulations and legislation	
11	1.	Thinks critically and analyses nursing practice	Complies with legislation, regulations, policies, guidelines and other standards or requirements relevant to the context of	Normal saline and Hartmann's Solution restore vascular volume and electrolyte imbalance, whilst plasma and albumin
	5.	Develops a plan for nursing practice	practice when making decisions Uses assessment data and best available evidence to develop a plan	increase blood volume, in Section 11.8, p. 502.
	6.	Provides safe, appropriate and responsive quality nursing practice	Practises in accordance with relevant policies, guidelines, standards, regulations and legislation	
11	1.	Thinks critically and analyses nursing practice	Complies with legislation, regulations, policies, guidelines and other standards or requirements relevant to the context of practice when making decisions	Intravenous fluid administration requires a flow rate control device for children and older adults to reduce the risk of fluid overload, in Section 11.8 Clinical Safety
	5.	Develops a plan for nursing practice	Uses assessment data and best available evidence to develop a plan	Alert, p. 504.
	6.	Provides safe, appropriate and responsive quality nursing practice	Practises in accordance with relevant policies, guidelines, standards, regulations and legislation	
11	1.	Thinks critically and analyses nursing practice	Complies with legislation, regulations, policies, guidelines and other standards or requirements relevant to the context of practice when making decisions	All intravenous bags are changed every 24 hours to reduce contamination, in Section 11.9, p. 510.
	5.	Develops a plan for nursing practice	Uses assessment data and best available evidence to develop a plan	
	6.	Provides safe, appropriate and responsive quality nursing practice	Practises in accordance with relevant policies, guidelines, standards, regulations and legislation	

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12	1.	Thinks critically and analyses nursing practice	Complies with legislation, regulations, policies, guidelines and other standards or requirements relevant to the context of practice when making decisions	People who shallow breathe due to pain are at risk of atelectasis, so sufficient pain relief is required for deep breathing, in Section 12.3 Clinical Safety Alert, p. 561.
	5.	Develops a plan for nursing practice	Uses assessment data and best available evidence to develop a plan	
	6.	Provides safe, appropriate and responsive quality nursing practice	Practises in accordance with relevant policies, guidelines, standards, regulations and legislation	
12	1.	Thinks critically and analyses nursing practice	Complies with legislation, regulations, policies, guidelines and other standards or requirements relevant to the context of practice when making decisions	A humidifying device is required for long term oxygen therapy to reduce drying of the respiratory membranes, in Section 12.5 <i>Clinical Safety Alert</i> , p. 571.
	5.	Develops a plan for nursing practice	Uses assessment data and best available evidence to develop a plan	
	6.	Provides safe, appropriate and responsive quality nursing practice	Practises in accordance with relevant policies, guidelines, standards, regulations and legislation	
12	1.	Thinks critically and analyses nursing practice	Complies with legislation, regulations, policies, guidelines and other standards or requirements relevant to the context of practice when making decisions	Nebulisers require cleaning after each use to reduce contamination, in Section 12.6 <i>Clinical Safety Alert</i> , p. 585.
	5.	Develops a plan for nursing practice	Uses assessment data and best available evidence to develop a plan	
	6.	Provides safe, appropriate and responsive quality nursing practice	Practises in accordance with relevant policies, guidelines, standards, regulations and legislation	
12	1.	Thinks critically and analyses nursing practice	Complies with legislation, regulations, policies, guidelines and other standards or requirements relevant to the context of practice when making decisions	Oropharyngeal suctioning cause less trauma for the person, in Section 12.7 <i>Clinical Safety Alert</i> , p. 590.
	5.	Develops a plan for nursing practice	Uses assessment data and best available evidence to develop a plan	
	6.	Provides safe, appropriate and responsive quality nursing practice	Practises in accordance with relevant policies, guidelines, standards, regulations and legislation	
12	1.	Thinks critically and analyses nursing practice	Complies with legislation, regulations, policies, guidelines and other standards or requirements relevant to the context of practice when making decisions	Tracheal suctioning is limited to 10–15 seconds per attempt, to reduce hypoxia, in Section 12.7 <i>Clinical Safety Alert</i> , p. 590.
	5.	Develops a plan for nursing practice	Uses assessment data and best available evidence to develop a plan	
	6.	Provides safe, appropriate and responsive quality nursing practice	Practises in accordance with relevant policies, guidelines, standards, regulations and legislation	
	7.	Evaluates outcomes to inform nursing practice	Evaluates and monitors progress towards the expected goals and outcomes	
12	1.	Thinks critically and analyses nursing practice	Complies with legislation, regulations, policies, guidelines and other standards or requirements relevant to the context of practice when making decisions	Hyperinflation, hyperoxygenation and hyperventilation are techniques which reduce hypoxaemia for tracheostomy and endotracheal suctioning, in Section 12.8,
	5.	Develops a plan for nursing practice	Uses assessment data and best available evidence to develop a plan	p. 600.
	6.	Provides safe, appropriate and responsive quality nursing practice	Practises in accordance with relevant policies, guidelines, standards, regulations and legislation	
	7.	Evaluates outcomes to inform nursing practice	Evaluates and monitors progress towards the expected goals and outcomes	

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13	1.	Thinks critically and analyses nursing practice	Complies with legislation, regulations, policies, guidelines and other standards or requirements relevant to the context of practice when making decisions	Always test both sides in cranial nerve testing, in Section 13.2 <i>Clinical Safety Alert</i> , p. 632.
	4.	Comprehensively conducts assessments	Uses a range of assessment techniques to systematically collect relevant and accurate information and data to inform practice	
13	1.	Thinks critically and analyses nursing practice	Complies with legislation, regulations, policies, guidelines and other standards or requirements relevant to the context of practice when making decisions	Neurovascular assessment is performed in the first 72 hours after injury, surgery or application of a cast, in Section 13.3, p. 639.
	4.	Comprehensively conducts assessments	Uses a range of assessment techniques to systematically collect relevant and accurate information and data to inform practice	SECTION 1.1-SIME
13	1.	Thinks critically and analyses nursing practice	Complies with legislation, regulations, policies, guidelines and other standards or requirements relevant to the context of practice when making decisions	Disproportionate levels of pain in relation to injury and analgesia indicate compartment syndrome, in 13.3 <i>Clinical Safety Alert</i> , p. 644.
	5.	Develops a plan for nursing practice	Uses assessment data and best available evidence to develop a plan	
	6.	Provides safe, appropriate and responsive quality nursing practice	Practises in accordance with relevant policies, guidelines, standards, regulations and legislation	
	7.	Evaluates outcomes to inform nursing practice	Evaluates and monitors progress towards the expected goals and outcomes	
14	1.	Thinks critically and analyses nursing practice	Complies with legislation, regulations, policies, guidelines and other standards or requirements relevant to the context of practice when making decisions	Think safety, assessment and confirm when caring for a person with a mental illness, in Section 14.2 <i>Clinical Safety Alert</i> , p. 661.
	4.	Comprehensively conducts assessments	Uses a range of assessment techniques to systematically collect relevant and accurate information and data to inform practice	
14	1.	Thinks critically and analyses nursing practice	Complies with legislation, regulations, policies, guidelines and other standards or requirements relevant to the context of practice when making decisions	Antipsychotic medication can be administered orally or by intramuscular injection (ventrogluteal site), in Section 14. <i>Clinical Safety Alert</i> , p. 666.
	5.	Develops a plan for nursing practice	Uses assessment data and best available evidence to develop a plan	
	6.	Provides safe, appropriate and responsive quality nursing practice	Practises in accordance with relevant policies, guidelines, standards, regulations and legislation	
14	1.	Thinks critically and analyses nursing practice	Complies with legislation, regulations, policies, guidelines and other standards or requirements relevant to the context of practice when making decisions	Exercise and activity is important in reducing weight gain whilst taking antipsychotics, in Section 14.3 <i>Clinical Safety Alert</i> , p. 667.
	5.	Develops a plan for nursing practice	Uses assessment data and best available evidence to develop a plan	
	6.	Provides safe, appropriate and responsive quality nursing practice	Provides comprehensive safe, quality practice to achieve agreed goals and outcomes that are responsive to the nursing needs of people	
	7.	Evaluates outcomes to inform nursing practice	Evaluates and monitors progress towards the expected goals and outcomes	

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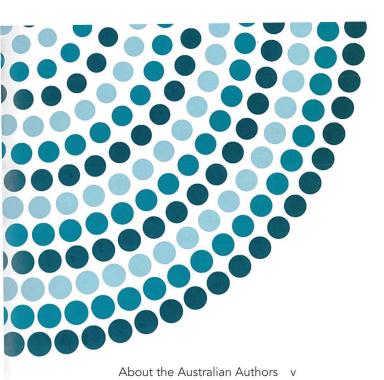
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