

MERCER COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE
DIVISION OF SCIENCE AND ALLIED HEALTH
DEPARTMENT OF NURSING
NURSING 202:
DAY CARE CENTER OBSERVATION EXPERIENCE

OBJECTIVES:

1. Review of normal growth and development in well children
2. Prepare a developmental summary form to use at the Day Care Center
3. Compare the textbook development with what you have observed in children from infancy through preschool at the Day Care Center
4. Rotate through the six rooms at the Lakeview Day Care Center observing children in each age group
5. Observe the children at play comparing their play with the textbook norms for play

NAME: Lakeview Child Center

4 Hamilton Health Place, Hamilton, NJ 08690

LOCATION: When facing Robert Wood Johnson at Hamilton go into main entrance of hospital driveway, bear right. Child Center is off to right in building #4

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DAY CARE ADMINISTRATOR: Patti Jo Shaffer

TIME: arrive at 8:30 AM. Leave at 12:00 noon. ORGANIZATION: Divide up into 6 groups, one group for each room. Spend 20 minutes in each of the 6 rooms then rotate. How you divide this up is up to your group

BEHAVIOR/RESPONSIBILITIES WHILE IN THE CHILDREN'S CLASSROOMS:

- WASH YOUR HANDS BEFORE ENTERING THE CLASSROOM AND BEFORE CHANGING CLASSROOMS
- Identify yourself to the children's teacher
- Be seated out of the way of the children's activities
- Remember you are observing. If the children come to you you may interact with them, but do not pick them up or distract them from their activities. If they wish to share a game or toy with you then do so.
- DO NOT BRING ANY FOOD OR DRINK INTO THE CLASSROOM. DO NOT CHEW GUM
- DO NOT BRING ANYTHING TO GIVE TO THE CHILDREN
- Remember confidentiality. Do not use children's names when filling out your developmental summary form
- Turn off your cell phones when visiting the classroom. No use of cell phones during the experience

PREPARATION:

On the development form, complete the form prior to the visit based on the textbook's expected behaviors. If this form is not completed prior to your arrival at the Day Care Center you will receive an unsatisfactory on the evaluation tool. Turn in the form to your clinical instructor for evaluation at the next clinical day.

TEACHING PLAN:

1. You can choose any topic that is related to the health and safety of the preschooler. Get your topic approved by your instructor
2. You can use puppets, props, poster board. You can act, sing.

3. When you finish preparing your idea, review it with the instructor/day care administrator.
4. Please do not bring stickers, balloons or pencils at the request of the day care center.
5. Summarize verbally in post conference your teaching based on the following criteria
 - The theme of the teaching
 - Two to three teaching objectives
 - How the group presented the teaching concept
 - If the objectives were met and how you know that they were met
6. Nothing in writing is expected for this assignment

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Reviewed 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009