

MERCER COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE
DIVISION OF SCIENCE AND ALLIED HEALTH
DEPARTMENT OF NURSING
NURSING 202
COMMUNITY HEALTH EXPERIENCE GUIDELINES

The Community Health experience is a one day observation buddying experience in which the student accompanies the visiting nurse on a community health visit.

ORGANIZATION:

Visiting Nurse Association: Home Care of Mercer County
171 Jersey Street, Suite 201, PO Box 441, Trenton, NJ 08603
MAIN NUMBER: 609-695-0329
Barbara Weber Berry, Director of VNA
PHONE #: 609-815-3609

FOR EMERGENCY CHANGES IN COMMUNITY SCHEDULE:

1. Marilyn Cino: 609-815-3777
2. Kathy Todd: 609-815-3562

FOR EMERGENCY CHANGES IN HOSPICE SCHEDULE:

1. Barb Patrick 609-815-3502

CLINICAL DAY:

9:00 AM to 3:00 PM. This time frame may be shorter based on the case load of the nurse. The nurse may arrive later than 9:00 AM as well. In that case ask to review charts of clients while you are waiting for the nurse's arrival. If the nurse is more than 30 minutes late ask for assistance from either Barbara Weber Berry, Marilyn Cino, Kathy Todd, or Barb Patrick.

DRESS CODE:

No jeans, no sweatpants, professional looking street clothes with comfortable shoes (sneakers). Use your lab coat with an ID.

DIRECTIONS:

When coming from 295, take 129 and a right onto Laylor, left onto Jersey Avenue. Go 2 blocks down on left. Look for blue canopy. No sign. Go to 2nd floor. There are residential houses on the right and state buildings on the left. If you reach Tremont you have gone too far. Park in fence enclosed parking lot

TRANSPORTATION:

Plan on driving your own car unless the nurse indicates otherwise. Most of the nurses will ask you to follow them in your own car.

LUNCH:

Bring a bag lunch to be eaten in the car with a drink. Do not expect to stop. You may see up to 6 patients.

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