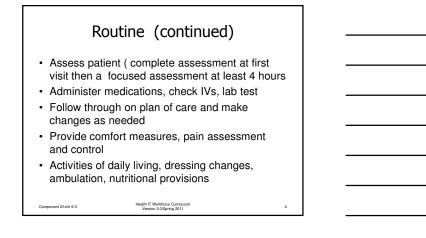


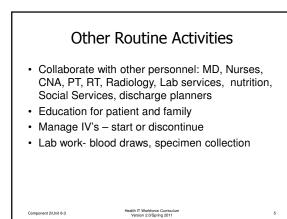
Typical Routine for a Hospital Staff Nurse

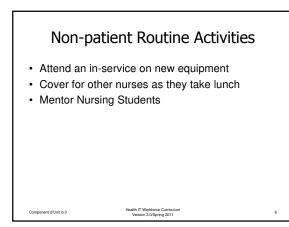
- Work hours 8 to 12 hour shifts
- 4 to 5 acutely ill patients
- Prepare for patient care:
 - review patient records: diagnosis, history, treatment and care orders, medications; review plan of care and take report from the previous nurse
- Review patient care plan

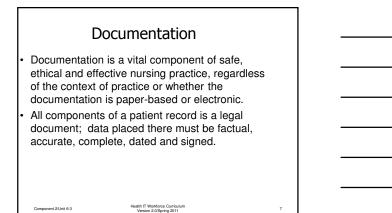
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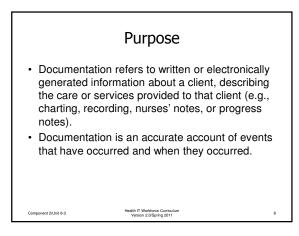
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Expectations

- A nurse is expected to record and maintain documentation that is clear, timely, accurate, reflective of observations, permanent, legible and chronological.
- Accurate, timely documentation reflects care provided; meets professional, legislative and agency standards; promotes enhanced nursing care;
- Facilitates communication between nurses and other healthcare providers.

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What would a nurse chart?

- Vital signs
- Assessment findings
- Plan of care
- Treatments
- Medications
- Intake and output
- Pain level

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- Education
- Telephone ordersInteraction with patient
- family members
- Patient complaints
- Discussion with family
- members
- Admission and discharge notes

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Computerized documentation systems can improve uniformity, accuracy, and retrievability of data.
Verbal communication systems – Vocera, pagers
Lab equipment

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- · Assessment equipment
- IV pumps
- Pyxis machine
- Simulation mannequins

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