

**Capital Area School of Practical Nursing**  
**Third Quarter Mental Health Clinical Syllabus**

<p><b>Clinical Instructor Information</b></p> <p><b>Name:</b>  <b>Contact Information:</b>  <b>Clinical Site:</b>  <b>Contact Info:</b></p> <p><b>Clinical Hours: 0730-1500</b></p> <p><b>Clinical Credit/Contact Hours: 28.00</b></p>	<p><b>Tardy/Absence Policy</b></p> <p>When tardy or absent, you must call your clinical instructor or Clinical/Skills Lab Coordinator at least one hour prior to your scheduled clinical time.</p> <p><b>Clinical Coordinator: 217-585-1215 ext. 205</b></p> <p><b>All clinical policies will be implemented at all times as per Student Handbook.</b></p>
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**Clinical Description**

The clinical experiences provide the student an opportunity to apply theoretical concepts and assist in the care of clients experiencing mental or behavioral will build upon previous learning in the acute care setting.

**Clinical Objectives**

- A. Assist in the provision of patient-centered care across the lifespan of diverse patients experiencing common mental health problems utilizing evidence-based practice and informatics to support clinical decision making.
  1. Patient-centered care
    - a. Perform a focused mental health assessment of patients across the lifespan experiencing common mental health problems.
    - b. Use verbal and nonverbal communication that promotes caring, therapeutic relationships with individuals experiencing common mental health problems.
- B. Participate as members of the healthcare team and identify opportunities for continuity of patient care and quality improvement.
  2. Teamwork and Collaboration
    - a. Participate as a member of the healthcare team in the provision of patient centered care.
    - b. Identify patient care concerns related to quality care.
- C. Observe physiological and psychosocial principles to provide safe nursing care while utilizing the nursing process.
  3. Safety
    - a. Implement actions that promote safe practice and a safe environment for patients, self, and others.
- D. Demonstrate professionalism consistent with legal and ethical standards that promote the profession of nursing.
  4. Professionalism
    - a. Practice nursing in accordance with standards of practice and healthcare facility policies and procedures.

<p><b>Mental Health Textbooks/References:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• See Third Quarter Clinical Syllabus</li> <li>• Neeb’s Fundamentals of Mental Health Nursing, 4<sup>th</sup> ed.</li> <li>• ATI PN Mental Health Nursing, 9<sup>th</sup> ed.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Assignments:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Per Clinical Instructor</li> </ul>
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This syllabus is not a contract and subject to change as deemed necessary per Clinical Instructor. I have read and understand the Mental Health Clinical Syllabus.

CASPN Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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