## Monroe County Community College Health Sciences Division

# Registered Nursing Program Program Student Learning Outcomes

## **Program and Leveled Outcomes with Competencies and Definitions**

1. Advocate holistically for diverse patient populations and their families in ways that promote health, self-determination, integrity, and			
ongoing growth as human beings.			
Level I	Level II	Level III	Level IV
(NURS 103)	(NURS 105, 110	(NURS 204, 205, 210)	(NURS 208, 212)
	PNRN 100, PNRN 110)		
Describe holistic advocacy for diverse patient populations and	Identify when to advocate holistically for diverse patients in	Prioritize instances to advocate holistically for diverse patients in	Select priority instances to advocate holistically for diverse
their families in ways that promote health, self-	psychiatric and medical-surgical settings and their families in ways	childbearing and childrearing settings and their families in ways	patients with serious physiological needs and their
determination, integrity, and	that promote health, self-	that promote health, self-	families in ways that promote
ongoing growth as human beings.	determination, integrity, and	determination, integrity, and	health, self-determination,
	ongoing growth as human beings.	ongoing growth as human beings.	integrity, and ongoing growth as
			human beings.

- Holistic Care Preserving self-determination and understanding the integration of mind, body, and spirit while planning and implementing interventions for individuals, families, or communities.
- Diversity Racial, cultural, ethnic, spiritual, or socio-economic variation in the demographics of a place, organization, or profession. (IOM)
- Patient-Centered Care Recognize the patient or designee as the source of control and full partner in providing compassionate and coordinated care based on respect for patient's preferences, values, and needs. (QSEN)
- Advocacy Helping and guiding patients to make well-informed decisions about their health for the best outcomes and creating more effective health care systems and policies. (IOM)

2. Integrate clinical reasoning, substantiated with evidence, to provide and promote safe quality care for patients and families in a community context.			
Level I (NURS 103)	Level II (NURS 105, 110 PNRN 100, PNRN 110)	Level III (NURS 204, 205, 210)	Level IV (NURS 208, 212)
Describe culture of safety, quality care, evidence-based practice and nursing judgment and how these concepts relate to the needs of adult patients and families in a community context.	Apply culture of safety, quality care, evidence-based practice and nursing judgment to meet the needs of patients and families in a community context.	Support culture of safety, quality care, evidence-based practice and basic clinical reasoning to meet the needs of childbearing and childrearing patients and families in a community context.	Adapt a culture of safety, quality care, evidence-based practice and clinical reasoning to meet the needs of adult patients and families in a community context.  Integrate a culture of safety, quality care, evidence-based practice and clinical reasoning to meet the needs of groups of patients and families in a community context.

- Culture of Safety Minimizes risk of harm to patients and providers through both system effectiveness and individual performance. (QSEN)
- Quality of Care Quality care is safe, effective, patient-centered, timely, efficient, and equitable.
- Evidence-Based Practice The collection, interpretation, and integration of valid, important, and applicable patient-reported, clinician observed, and research-derived evidence. The best available evidence, moderated by patient circumstances and preferences, is applied to improve the quality of clinical judgments. (ANA)
- Nursing Judgment Making judgments in practice substantiated with evidence that integrates nursing science.
- Clinical Reasoning An in-depth mental process of analysis and evaluation of knowledge and skills; the process of arriving at problem identification. (IOM)

3. Distinguish one's professional identity in ways that reflect integrity, responsibility, legal and ethical practices, and professional growth and development as a nurse.			
Level I	Level II	Level III	Level IV
(NURS 103)	(NURS 105, 110 PNRN 100, PNRN 110)	(NURS 204, 205, 210)	(NURS 208, 212)
Define roles and responsibilities of the professional nurse.	Demonstrate professional nursing behaviors in selected settings.	Demonstrate behaviors associated with a professional nurse expanding on legal and ethical responsibilities.	Integrate the identity of the professional nurse.

- Professional Identity Implement one's role as a nurse in ways that reflect integrity, responsibility, ethical practices, and an evolving identity as a nurse committed to evidence-based practice, caring, advocacy, and safe, quality care for diverse patients within a family and community context. (NLN)
- Spirit of Inquiry Examine the evidence that underlies clinical nursing practice to challenge the status quo, question underlying assumptions, and offer new insights to improve the quality of care for patients, families, and communities. (NLN)

4. Communicate respectfully and effectively with diverse populations and the multidisciplinary health care team through collaborative			
decision making to produce optimal patient outcomes.			
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(NURS 103)	(NURS 105, 110	(NURS 204, 205, 210)	(NURS 208, 212)
	PNRN 100, PNRN 110)		
Describe effective strategies for	Identify effective strategies for	Apply effective strategies for	Integrate effective strategies for
communicating with diverse	communicating with diverse	communicating with diverse	communicating with diverse
adult populations throughout the	populations with physical,	childbearing and childrearing	adult populations with serious
lifecycle and the multidisciplinary	mental, and spiritual needs and	populations and the	physiologic needs. Examine and
health care team that promotes	with the multidisciplinary health	multidisciplinary health care	integrate the professional
collaborative decision making to	care team that promotes	team that promotes collaborative	responsibilities of the practicing
produce optimal patient	collaborative decision making to	decision making to produce	nurse that promote collaborative
outcomes.	produce optimal patient	optimal patient and family	decision making within the
	outcomes.	outcomes.	multidisciplinary health care
			team to produce optimal patient
			outcomes.

- Collaboration Function effectively within nursing and inter-professional teams, fostering open communication, mutual respect, and shared decision-making to achieve quality patient care. (QSEN)
- Communication An interactive process which serves as the foundation for relationships between nurse-client, teacher-learner, and all members of the health care team.

5. Manage patient care effectively related to time, personnel, informatics and cost to continuously improve the quality and safety of health			
care systems.			
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(NURS 103)	(NURS 105, 110	(NURS 204, 205, 210)	(NURS 208, 212)
	PNRN 100, PNRN 110)		
Recognize concepts that promote	Demonstrate patient care	Organize patient care effectively	Integrate patient care effectively
effective patient care to meet the	effectively to meet the needs of	to meet the needs of	to groups of patients with
needs of adult patients related to	patients related to time,	childbearing and childrearing	complex health problems and
time, personnel, informatics and	personnel, informatics and cost	families related to time,	their families related to time,
cost to continuously improve the	to continuously improve the	personnel, informatics and cost	personnel, informatics and cost
quality and safety of health care	quality and safety of health care	to continuously improve the	to continuously improve the
systems.	systems.	quality and safety of health care	quality and safety of health care
		systems.	systems.

- Time management Effective and efficient use of time to organize and prioritize patient care needs.
- Delegation The transfer of responsibility for the performance of a task from one individual to another while retaining accountability for the outcome.
- Quality Improvement Use data to monitor and implement improvement methods to achieve safe and effective patient outcomes as well as to continuously improve the quality and safety of health care systems.
- Informatics Use information and technology to communicate, manage knowledge, mitigate error, and support decision making in the delivery of patient care.