Description: This module introduces the concept of cognition. Emphasis is placed on the impact cognition has on an individual’s physical, psychological, social and spiritual life. In addition, the student will examine care for the confused client.

Learning Outcomes:

Upon completion of this module the student will be able to:

1. Discuss the concept of cognition relative to the client throughout the lifespan.
2. Identify those clients who are at risk for developing confusion.
3. Identify clinical features or behaviors associated with the confused client.
4. Identify pathological processes responsible for confusion and/or conditions that may contribute to the development of confusion.
5. Explore nursing interventions used in the care of the confused client.

Learning Resources:

Text: NC ADN Textbook


Learning Activities:
Faculty led discussion of the concept of cognition.
Simulate assessment of clients with cognitive impairments.
Role-plays re-orientation of the confused client.
Formulate a plan of care for the client experiencing confusion.

Evaluation:
Unit Exams
Lab competencies
Clinical Performance Evaluation