Description: The module is on the concept of grief and loss and will focus on perinatal loss.

Learning Outcomes: Upon completion of this module, the student will be able to:
1. Review the anatomical and physiological changes during pregnancy.
2. Explain the nine steps of attachment in pregnancy.
3. Describe grief symptoms associated with perinatal loss in patient and family members.
4. Apply culturally-sensitive and spiritually-sensitive interventions to individualized patient assessment and care.
5. Compare loss from voluntary abortion to other perinatal loss.
6. Summarize the implications for the nurse in voluntary abortions.

Learning Resources:
Text: Maternal Nursing Care (2005). Chapter 4

Bates. Guide to Physical Exam and History Taking

Websites: Hospice and Palliative Nurses’ Association www.hpna.org

Video: (Still trying to find a good one!)

Guest Speaker: NICU Nurse and Priest or Minister

Learning Activities:
Lab: Role-play admission of pregnant patient and loss of fetus (alternate roles between mother and nurse).
Case Study: “L.F., a Newborn with Hypoplastic Left Heart Syndrome” (Levetown, M.)
Apply the nursing process to provide appropriate nursing interventions for patient and family. Evaluate effectiveness.

Evaluation:
Content will tested on unit exam.
Clinical performance will be evaluated on Course Clinical Evaluation Tool.