



Patient Presentation Guidelines (Med/Surg)

Your presentation can be focused on any patient for whom you have cared. Use the guidelines below to outline your presentation.

I. Demographics

- A. Age -
- B. Sex -
- C. Current Occupation/Employment Status -
- D. Support system, living situation -

II. Medical Plan of Care

Please select which is the primary goal for your patient's admission: Curative, Palliative, Educational, or Diagnostic

- A. Primary Diagnosis-
- B. Relevant Secondary Diagnosis(es)-
- C. Briefly summarize the overall goal of the medical plan of care-
- D. What care outcomes must be met before discharge/transfer? Where will your patient go after leaving your unit?
- E. Have there been any unexpected, noteworthy changes in your patient's status?

III. Nursing Plan of Care (If stuck, complete step IV first)

Focus: Safety, Education, Advocacy, Coping

- A. Briefly summarize the nursing priorities in order of importance-

IV. Complications

- A. What is the worst (and most likely) complication to anticipate for your patient?
- B. What nursing assessments/interventions will you need to make to identify and prevent it?
- C. What is/are the priority concern(s) or risk factors that patients on your unit face?