



Patient Presentation Guidelines (Perioperative)

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 surgery: Curative, Palliative, or Diagnostic

- A. Name of Surgery or Procedure
- B. Relevant History, diagnoses
- C. Briefly summarize the overall goal of your patient's surgery/procedure (*Use time line--surgery day; first day post-op= Day 1; etc.*)
- D. What care outcomes must be met before patient is transferred to the floor (or sent home if same day surgery)? What unit will your patient be transferred to?
- E. Have there been any unexpected events during or immediately after your patient's surgery/procedure?

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

Focus: Safety, Advocacy

- A. Briefly summarize the nursing priorities for your patient in order of importance:

IV. Complications

- A. What is the worst (and most likely) complication to anticipate for your patient with this type of surgery/procedure?
- 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?