Week 6 Assignment: EBP Change Process

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Transformation

Follow Nurse Daniel as your process mentor in the weekly Illustration section of the lesson. Please do not use any of the Nurse Daniel information for your own topic, nursing intervention, or change project. Nurse Daniel serves as an example only to illustrate the change process.

Name: ___

Star Point 1: Discovery (Identify topic and practice issue)

Identify the topic and the nursing practice issue related to this topic. (This MUST involve a nursing practice issue.)

Topic of this project: Identify causes of increased incidence of fall among chronic obstructive pulmonary disease exacerbation (ECOPD) patients and nursing interventions.

Nursing practice issue: Keeping patient's safety while inpatient is a top priority for nurses. Although there are multiple fall prevention assessments performed every twelve hours, incidence of fall has continuously increased and the majority had diagnosis with chronic obstructive pulmonary disease exacerbation.

Briefly describe your rationale for your topic selection. Include the scope of the issue/problem.

When I started work at a new local community hospital, I noticed the hospital had high numbers of fall incidences. The number of fall incidences are directly connected to patients' safety and it may cause unexpected injury, such as permanent disability, and even death. As there are increases of fall incidence, there will be more health care cost. I was wondering if the fall incidences happened because of the poor nursing intervention, or ECOPD patients need to be assessed differently. Nursing scope and standards of practice states in Standard 1, the registered nurse collects pertinent data and information relative to the healthcare consumer's health or the