NR511 Week 1 Collaboration Café

Initial Post:

My goals for the first day are to observe the flow of a primary care visit and to get hands-on with my patients. I have only worked in a hospital's critical care or procedural areas, so this will be a significant change of scenery for me. I want to review the clinic's policies and procedures, gain further insight into the patient population, and start to practice with the EMR system. By the end of this course, I would like to be able to care for patients with commonly seen illnesses and complaints.

After reviewing the FNP procedures and experiences list, I plan to print this document off and provide a copy to my preceptor and myself. Having this list on hand will allow me to easily keep track of the procedures I observe and perform during my first clinical rotation. I will use this for each following course to ensure by the end of the program; I experience as many opportunities on this list as I can.

I have quite a few different emotions leading into my first practicum rotation. First, I must say I am very proud of myself for not only making it this far but for surviving 509. That class broke me down in so many ways, so I'm so proud for sticking it out and completing it. I am also a bit nervous/ anxious to be a novice student again in the clinical setting. I haven't been considered a novice for nearly 4-5 years, and the last time I was a student in the clinical setting was in 2016. The graduate clinical rotation will be significantly different from the undergraduate experience. In undergrad, I relied on my school to provide clinical sites/ instructors/ preceptors, make my schedule, and ensure my success. Now, all of those parts are my responsibility. Also, I was in a clinical group with multiple students, whereas I will be the only student on this site.