Domain 1: Knowledge for Nursing Practice

Sub-competency	Progression Indicators (Observable Behaviors)	
	Developing	Developed (Competent)
1.1 Demonstrate an understanding of the discipline of nursing's distinct perspective and where shared perspectives exist with other disciplines.		
1.1e Translate evidence from nursing sciences as well as other sciences into practice.	Explore relevant literature to identify evidence applicable to nursing practice. Perform initial evidence appraisal by summarizing key findings from selected nursing and other scientific disciplines.	Adjust practice decisions based on evidence collected through research from nursing and interdisciplinary sciences. Design and implement interventions integrating evidence from nursing and other sciences to improve patient outcomes.
1.1f Demonstrate the application of nursing science to practice.	Identify gaps in practice that impact care delivery and care outcomes. Articulate the underlying nursing science principles guiding patient care.	Analyze current clinical practices and integrate nursing science into practice to address identified gaps, evaluating patient and care-related outcomes.
1.1 g. Integrate an understanding of nursing history in advancing nursing's influence in health care.	Identify significant historical events or leaders in nursing and discuss their impact on the profession and healthcare systems. Describe nursing's role in shaping modern healthcare systems.	Draw from nursing history to analyze current practices and propose solutions to contemporary healthcare challenges. Advocate for nursing's influence in shaping healthcare systems and policies.
1.2 Apply theory and research-based knowledge from nursing, the arts, humanities, and other sciences.		
1.2f: Synthesize knowledge from nursing and other disciplines to inform education, practice, and research.	Discuss connections between advanced nursing practice and related disciplines, illustrating how interdisciplinary knowledge enhances nursing practice. Reflect on how integrating diverse knowledge from various fields contributes to advanced nursing practice.	Demonstrate in practice the use of knowledge from nursing and other disciplines. Analyze how the integration of nursing and other disciplinary knowledge impacts one's practice and practice outcomes.

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1.2g: Apply a systematic and defendable approach to nursing practice decisions.	Explore decision-making frameworks and their applications as guides in advanced nursing practice. Utilize an evidence-based approach to inform decision-making that aligns with healthcare quality standards.	Collaborate to analyze and refine decision-making approaches, fostering an environment of shared learning and continuous improvement. Defend clinical and ethical decisions with well-supported rationales grounded in nursing evidence, professional standards, and core nursing values, ensuring accountability and high-quality patient care.
1.2h: Employ ethical decision making to assess, intervene, and evaluate nursing care.	Discuss ethical dilemmas in practice. Utilize ethical frameworks from nursing or social sciences to assess practice situations, guiding interventions and evaluations.	Evaluate nursing practice outcomes using a justified ethical framework. Take accountability for ethical decisions by reflecting on their impact on client or population outcomes.
1.2i: Demonstrate socially responsible leadership.	Discuss the importance of social responsibility in nursing leadership. Examine the impact of social issues on clients, populations, and nursing practice.	Promote practices that ensure equity, respect, and person-centeredness in healthcare. Use leadership skills to advocate for vulnerable populations, ensuring resources are accessible to all clients, regardless of social status.
1.2j: Translate theories from nursing and other disciplines to practice.	Apply nursing theories and frameworks to guide clinical decision-making contextually. Connect theoretical concepts to practice settings, making the connection between nursing frameworks and real-world clinical experiences.	Improve patient care by integrating knowledge from various disciplines. Develop innovative solutions for healthcare challenges by utilizing nursing and interdisciplinary theories.

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1.3 Demonstrate clinical judgment founded on a broad knowledge base.		
1.3d Integrate foundational and advanced specialty knowledge into clinical reasoning.	Identify patient problems and propose interventions using foundational and advanced specialty concepts. Identify areas of strength and opportunities for improvement for integrating foundational and advanced specialty knowledge while making clinical decisions.	Analyze data and outcomes by applying clinical reasoning and integrating evidence to develop or revise guidelines or practice plans. Apply foundational and specialty knowledge to decision-making when managing complex cases or addressing challenges identified in practice. Articulate the rationale for clinical decisions, linking foundational science and advanced specialty knowledge to care outcomes.
1.3e Synthesize current and emerging evidence to Influence practice.	Summarize findings from research articles, clinical guidelines, or quality improvement reports that inform practice. Incorporate emerging evidence and rationale into plans of care, action plans, or interventions.	Appraise and integrate quality research, clinical guidelines, and other forms of evidence to address care challenges. Propose and test practice changes or innovations using recent findings from research, quality improvement projects, or technological advancements.
1.3f Analyze decision models from nursing and other knowledge domains to improve clinical judgment.	Discern the applicability and appropriateness of decision-making frameworks in practice. Utilize appropriate decision models to analyze patient care situations in clinical practice.	Assess the impact of applied decision models on patient care quality, safety, and efficiency.