



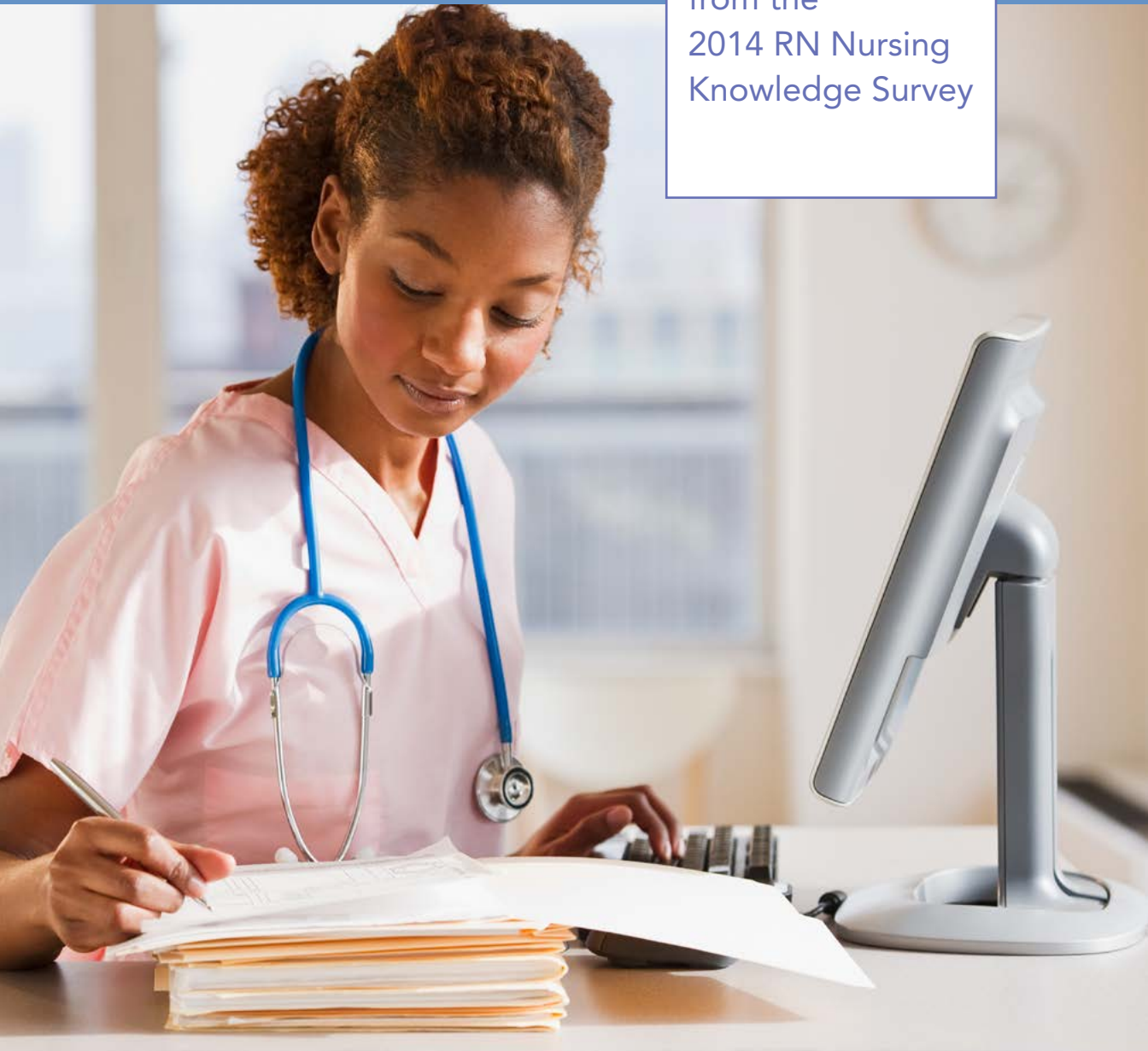
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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The National Council of State Boards of Nursing (NCSBN[®]) is responsible to its members, the boards of nursing in the U.S. and member board territories for the preparation of psychometrically sound and legally defensible licensure examinations (American Educational Research Association, American Psychological Association and National Council on Measurement in Education, 2014). Practice analysis studies assist NCSBN in evaluating the validity of the test plan that guides content distribution of the licensure examination. Because changes can occur in registered nurse (RN) practice, NCSBN conducts practice analysis studies every three years.

The primary purpose of this study is to identify the knowledge needed by newly licensed RNs. The results of this study (i.e., the important knowledge statements) will be used to inform item development. As with other new NCSBN research projects, there is a possibility that the knowledge statements may become an integral part of other processes (e.g., test specifications). However, at this time, these knowledge statements will be used solely to inform item development.

Methodology

A number of steps are necessary to perform an analysis of the knowledge needed by newly licensed RNs. The current study followed the methodology used in the 2011 nursing knowledge survey. This section provides a description of the methodology used to conduct the 2014 Knowledge of Newly Licensed Registered Nurses Survey. Descriptions of the subject matter expert (SME) panel processes, survey development, sample selection and data collection procedures are provided, as well as information about confidentiality, response rates and the degree to which participants were representative of the sample of Newly Licensed RNs, RN Educators and RN Supervisors.

Methodology Reviewers

Three methodology reviewers, chosen for their psychometric expertise in practice/job analysis and certification exam development, reviewed the methodologies and procedures utilized in this study.

All three reviewers indicated this methodology was psychometrically sound, legally defensible and in compliance with professional testing standards.

Panel of SMEs

A panel of eight RN SMEs was assembled to assist with the creation of the knowledge statements and survey. Panel members taught RN students, supervised newly licensed RNs or were newly licensed RNs themselves. The panelists also represented the four NCSBN geographic areas, as well as the major nursing specialties and practice settings.

Survey Development

A number of processes were used to create, evaluate and refine the survey instrument used for the 2014 RN Knowledge Survey. In the initial meetings for the triennial practice analysis, a panel of nurses, representing different geographic regions of the country, nursing specialties and practice settings, met and developed nursing activity statements, which were intended to represent entry-level RN practice. These activity statements and the category structure developed by the SMEs provided a categorical structure for the creation of the knowledge statements. Following the work of the first panel, a second group of SMEs was convened with two panelists bridging the two groups.

This second panel reviewed the activity statements and then developed knowledge statements for each activity statement. The knowledge statements were reviewed and edited by the NCLEX[®] Examination Committee (NEC). The resulting 253 knowledge statements were incorporated into a survey format.

The final page of the survey contained several initial questions to identify responder characteristics and then four sections follow. The first section focused on the knowledge necessary for entry-level RN practice, asking responders to rate the importance of each knowledge statement by using a one to five-point scale. Section two identified the participant's work environment including area of practice, ages of client and employment setting/specialty. Section three focused on demographic information such as racial/ethnic background, highest obtained education degree and gender. The final section provided

space for responders to write comments or suggestions about the survey.

Survey Process

Sample Selection

Newly Licensed RNs: A random sample of 2,150 RNs was selected from a list of candidates who passed the NCLEX-RN® examination between Oct. 1, 2013 and March 31, 2014 and did not participate in the RN Practice Analysis Survey. Only candidates with a U.S. mailing address within the jurisdiction in which they were seeking licensure were included in the sample. This strategy provided a way to minimize the number of incorrect addresses to which the survey would be sent.

Educators of RNs (RN Educators): In addition, surveys were sent to 2,100 nursing educators at 700 different nursing programs. Three surveys were sent to each dean/director of 700 nursing programs with instructions for them to distribute one survey to (1) a Medical/Surgical nursing instructor; (2) an Obstetrics-Gynecology/Pediatric (OB-GYN/Peds) nursing instructor; and (3) a mental health or community health nursing instructor. Each of the programs in the sample had a minimum of nine NCLEX candidates within the last two calendar years (2012 and 2013). In the event that there were faculty members unable to complete the survey, the dean/directors were asked to give the survey to additional Medical/Surgical faculty members.

Supervisors of Newly Licensed RNs (RN Supervisors): Finally, 2,100 employers (700 in nursing homes; 700 in hospitals; and 700 in home health agencies) of newly licensed RNs were surveyed. This list came from a substantially larger mailing list, but the selection of employers to be included in the survey was also based upon the number of RN employees working for the facility. This criterion was applied in order to maximize the likelihood that the employer would have newly licensed RNs and supervisors of newly licensed RNs. Surveys were mailed to the directors of nursing (DON) or an equivalent title at 2,100 health care facilities mentioned previously. The DONs were asked to complete the survey if they directly supervised newly licensed RNs. If they did not supervise newly licensed RNs, the DONs

were asked to give the survey to a nurse who did supervise newly licensed RNs.

Representativeness

The percentage of responders from the various NCSBN member board jurisdictions is similar to the sample composition.

Mailing Procedure

The survey forms were mailed to a total of 6,350 potential responders (2,150 Newly Licensed RNs, 700 nursing programs, which included surveys for three educators [2,100 RN Educators in total] and 700 nursing homes, 700 hospitals and 700 home health agencies [2,100 potential supervisors of newly licensed RNs]). To acquire the RN Educator responders, three surveys were sent to the dean/director of the program to distribute amongst their staff. It was requested that a survey be distributed to an educator in each of the following general areas: (1) Medical/Surgical (Med/Surg) Nursing; (2) Obstetrics-Gynecology/Pediatric (OB-GYN/Peds) or Maternal Child Nursing; and (3) Psychiatric (Mental Health) or Community Health Nursing. If the school did not have specialty faculty who could complete the survey, it was asked that additional faculty in the clinical setting who teach Medical/Surgical participate.

A five-stage mailing process was used to engage the participants in the study. A pre-survey letter was sent to each person or facility selected for the sample. One week later, the survey(s), with a cover letter and a postage-paid return envelope, were mailed. Eleven days later, a postcard was sent to all participants or facilities reiterating the importance of the study and urging participation. Approximately one week after the first postcard, a second reminder postcard was sent. A final reminder was sent to nonresponders approximately one week after the second reminder. The survey was conducted from April through June 2014.

Confidentiality

All potential participants were promised confidentiality with regard to their participation and responses. Pre-assigned code numbers were used to facilitate

follow-up mailings. Files containing mailing information were kept separate from the data files. The study protocol was approved by NCSBN's chief executive officer for compliance with organizational guidelines for research studies involving human subjects.

Return Rates

There were 2,150 Newly Licensed RNs invited to complete the survey and of those, 15 surveys were undeliverable due to incorrect addresses. There were 347 surveys returned by Newly Licensed RNs for an adjusted return rate of 16.3%. A total of 2,100 RN Educators were invited to complete the survey and 14 of those were undeliverable due to incorrect addresses. A total of 813 surveys were returned by RN Educators for a 39.0% adjusted return rate. There were 2,100 surveys sent to RN Supervisors, with 323 surveys undelivered due to incorrect addresses. RN Supervisors returned 228 surveys for an adjusted return rate of 12.8%. Of the 1,388 surveys received, 12 responders did not report to hold either an APRN or RN license plus one responder was not practicing within an NCSBN member board jurisdiction. With the implementation of quality control procedures, the analyzable return rates were 16.1% for Newly Licensed RNs 38.6% for RN Educators and 12.7% for RN Supervisors. There were 1,375 analyzable surveys or a return rate of 22.9% for the total group.

Knowledge Survey Nonresponder Study

In order to ensure the validity of the results, NCSBN conducted a telephone survey of nonresponders to determine if those RNs not responding would have rated the knowledge statements differently than the survey responders. If there are no systematic differences in responders versus nonresponders, it would seem that the results are not biased and we have evidence to support the validity of the survey results. Of the RNs not participating in the survey, a stratified random sample of Newly Licensed RNs, RN Educators, and RN Supervisors were contacted via telephone. Of the potential contacts, a telephone interview was obtained from 92 participants: 31 Newly Licensed RNs, 31 RN Educators, and 30 RN Supervisors. The study found that the majority of nonresponders either did not receive the initial

survey invitation, were too busy, or did not respond for other reasons. More importantly, the study found that the nonresponders rated the knowledge statements similar to how responders rated them; this similarity supports the validity of the results of this study.

Summary

A panel of RNs experienced in the practices of newly licensed RNs met and created a list of 253 knowledge statements that are important for a newly licensed RN to possess. A data collection instrument was developed and mailed. The surveyed RNs were divided into the following categories: 2,150 Newly Licensed RNs, 2,100 RN Educators (obtained by sending 3 surveys to 700 nursing programs) and 2,100 RN Supervisors (obtained by sending a survey to 700 nursing homes, 700 home health agencies and 700 hospitals). A 22.9% response rate of analyzable surveys was obtained for the total group. This analysis contains the responses of 344 Newly Licensed RNs, 806 RN Educators, and 225 RN Supervisors.

Demographics, Experiences and Practice Environments of Participants

Nursing Licenses Held

Responders were included in analysis if they reported holding either an RN, APRN or an LPN/VN license. RN was the most frequent nursing license for all three job titles: 100.0% (Newly Licensed RNs), 89.2% (RN Educators) and 98.0% (RN Supervisors).

Gender

The majority of survey responders (93.6%) reported their gender as female: Newly Licensed RNs (86.8%), RN Educators (96.5%) and RN Supervisors (93.7%).

Survey Adequacy

The responders were asked to rate how well the knowledge statements represented the knowledge areas a newly licensed RN should possess choosing one of four options: "Poorly," "Adequately," "Well," or "Very Well." The majority of survey responders within each job title reported the survey

covered the important knowledge areas of a newly licensed RN “Well” or “Very Well.” Approximately 91.4% of Newly Licensed RNs, 94.1% of RN Educators and 93.2% of RN Supervisors rated the survey as covering knowledge “Well” or “Very Well.”

Age

Newly Licensed RNs had an average age of 33.5 years (SD=9.83); RN educators’ average age was 52.2 years (SD=9.69); RN Supervisors’ average age was 50.7 years (SD=9.65).

Race/Ethnic Background

White-Not of Hispanic Origin was the ethnic background identified most frequently by Newly Licensed RNs (75.6%), RN Educators (88.4%), and RN Supervisors (90.7%).

Education Background

More Newly Licensed RNs reported having an associate degree (51.6%) or a baccalaureate degree (40.5%). Approximately 33.3% of RN Educators listed their degree as a generic master’s degree in the U.S. The most frequent responses for RN Supervisors were an associate or a baccalaureate degree (both 32.1%).

Primary Language

The majority of Newly Licensed RNs (83.3%), RN Educators (96.8%), and RN Supervisors (96.6%) reported English as their primary language.

Years of Experience

There were large variations in months and years RN Educators and RN Supervisors worked in their job. Newly Licensed RNs were asked how long it had been since their graduation from the nursing programs. Newly Licensed RNs reported an average of 8.5 months since graduation. RN Educators have spent 12.5 years in their jobs, similar to RN Supervisors, who have spent an average of 10.6 years in their jobs.

Facilities

The majority of Newly Licensed RNs (69.7%) and RN Educators (74.1%) worked in hospitals. RN Supervisors worked primarily in hospitals (50.2%) and long-term care (36.3%).

Client Health Conditions

The majority of Newly Licensed RNs (64.8%), RN Educators (58.1%), and RN Supervisors (66.7%) reported working with clients exhibiting acute conditions. Due to nurses often working with clients with varying conditions, responders were allowed to give multiple answers, resulting in percentages within each job title totaling more than 100%.

Client Ages

Newly Licensed RNs reported caring for adult clients both older, 65 to 85 (69.8%), and younger, 18 to 64 (68.6%). For RN Educators, the majority cared for adult clients aged 18 to 64 (77.0%). The most frequent response for RN Supervisors (84.5%) was caring for older adults aged 65-85. The ability to provide multiple answers allows for percentages to equal more than 100%.

Employment Setting/Specialty

The employment setting most frequently given by Newly Licensed RNs (32.8%) and RN Educators (39.9%) was Medical/Surgical units. RN Supervisors (35.6%) most frequently answered nursing homes. On average for all job titles, the least reported employment settings were occupational health (0.2%) and assisted living (0.6%). Responders were able to answer up to two employment settings allowing for percentages totaling more than 100%.

Summary

The average Newly Licensed RN responder was an English-speaking White female with an average age of 33.5 years. She held an associate degree or a baccalaureate degree from a college/university within the U.S. She primarily worked in hospitals caring for adult clients both older, ages 65 to 85 and younger ages 18 to 64, exhibiting acute and chronic health conditions.

The average RN Educator responder was an English-speaking White female with an average age of

52.2 years. She held a generic master's degree from a college/university within the U.S. On average, she had been an RN Educator for 12.5 years.

The average RN Supervisor responder was an English-speaking White female with an average age of 50.7 years. She held an associate or a baccalaureate degree from a college/university within the U.S. She worked in hospitals or nursing homes caring for older clients (ages 65-85+) exhibiting acute, as well as chronic and end-of-life conditions. On average, she exhibited rich work experience in her job title, having worked as an RN Supervisor for 10.6 years.

KNOWLEDGE STATEMENTS

The 2014 Knowledge of Newly Licensed RNs Survey asked responders to rate the importance of knowledge statements necessary for a newly licensed RN to practice safely and effectively. Responders were asked to rate the overall importance of each knowledge statement considering safe and effective professional practice, regardless of practice setting. Importance was rated by using a five-point (1-5) scale.

SME Validation of Survey Findings

The SME Panel for the 2014 Knowledge of Newly Licensed RNs Survey was asked to provide independent ratings of the 253 knowledge statements. In order to validate the results of the survey, the importance ratings estimated by SMEs were compared to the average importance ratings from the knowledge survey. There was, in general, consistency among the highest importance ratings for Newly Licensed RNs, RN Educators, RN Supervisors and the SME ratings. Additionally, there was consistency among the lowest importance knowledge statements among Newly Licensed RNs, RN Educators, RN Supervisors and SMEs. There seems to be evidence from several sources that provide convergent validity on the knowledge needed by newly licensed RN's in order to practice safely and effectively. The importance ratings of SMEs compared to the ratings of each subgroup were very similar. In fact, the only knowledge statement rating that was more than one point different between the SMEs and the Newly

Licensed RNs is hemodialysis care. The SMEs rated the importance of this knowledge statement at 2.50, while Newly Licensed RNs rated the same statement 3.63. There were no other knowledge statements that were more than one point difference between the SMEs and RN Educators and RN Supervisors. Again, the information on knowledge needed by newly licensed RNs from multiple sources provides a more accurate description than a single source.

Representativeness of Knowledge Statements

The participants were asked whether the knowledge areas listed on the survey represented knowledge a newly licensed RN should possess. A large percentage of Newly Licensed RNs (62.5%), RN Educators (58.9%) and RN Supervisors (63.2%) responded that the survey represented the necessary knowledge "Very Well." Moreover, 91.4% of Newly Licensed RNs, 94.1% of RN Educators and 93.2% of RN Supervisors noted that the knowledge statements covered the knowledge of a newly licensed RN "Well" to "Very Well."

Reliability of Instrument

A reliability index (coefficient alpha) was calculated to evaluate the measurement error associated with the survey and the internal consistency of the survey instrument. Alpha coefficients range from 0 to 1; a value of 0.7 or greater is considered adequate (Cronbach, 1951). The resulting value of 0.99 for this survey instrument suggests this survey is reliably measuring the knowledge a newly licensed RN needs for safe and effective practice.

Knowledge Statements

Importance of Knowledge Statements

The safe and effective practice of newly licensed RNs was determined by participants' responses based on an importance rating scale. In other words, the responders were asked, "How important is the possession of this knowledge by a newly licensed RN for safe and effective professional practice, regardless of specific practice setting?" Importance ratings were recorded using a five-point scale: 1="Not Important," 2="Marginally Important," 3="Moderately Important," 4="Important," 5="Critically

Important.” Average importance ratings were calculated by including all importance ratings regardless of practice setting. The SME panel ratings and survey respondent ratings of the 253 knowledge statements yielded very similar results. All of the groups (Newly Licensed RNs, RN Educators, RN Supervisors and SMEs) rated “airway management” and “medication error prevention” among the five most important knowledge statements. In terms of least important knowledge statements, all groups rated “phototherapy” among the five least important knowledge statements.

Knowledge Statement Subgroup Analysis

Primary Job Title

The average knowledge statement importance ratings of Newly Licensed RNs, RN Educators, and RN Supervisors were cross-analyzed for meaningful differences between these job titles. The least important knowledge statement for Newly Licensed RNs was “body mass index (BMI)” with an average rating of 2.85. For RN Educators and Supervisors it was “phototherapy,” with an average value of 2.87 and 2.54, respectively. The most important knowledge statement for Newly Licensed RNs was “airway management” with an average value of 4.79. RN Educators rated “medication error prevention” the highest with an average value of 4.85. For RN Supervisors, “client confidentiality” was the most important with an average rating of 4.66. In general, there were few differences in importance ratings based on job title.

Facility

The average importance ratings of the knowledge statements of responders from hospitals, long-term care, community-based facility, and other facilities were cross-analyzed for meaningful differences. Responders answering all four types of facility rated “phototherapy” as the least important knowledge statement, with average values of 2.80, 2.72, 2.95, and 2.99, respectively. The most important knowledge statement for responders working in hospitals, community-based facilities, and other facilities was “medication error prevention,” with

average values of 4.80, 4.74, and 4.85, respectively. Individuals working in long-term care facilities rated “airway management” highest with an average value of 4.69.

Summary

Responders to the 2014 Knowledge of Newly Licensed RNs Survey found the statements listed in the survey to be representative of the knowledge necessary for safe and effective professional practice of newly licensed RNs. There were similar importance ratings of the knowledge statements for Newly Licensed RNs, RN Educators, RN Supervisors and SMEs.

CONCLUSION

Based on the reliability of the knowledge statement instrument; the survey of the nonresponders; the validation of the knowledge statement importance ratings by SMEs; and the similarity of knowledge statement importance ratings by Newly Licensed RNs, RN Educators and RN Supervisors, the results of this survey can be used to inform item development.

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A number of processes were used to create, evaluate, and refine the survey instrument used for the 2014 RN Knowledge of Newly Licensed Registered Nurses Survey. In the initial meetings for the triennial practice analysis, a panel of nurses, representing different geographic regions of the country, nursing specialties and practice settings, met and developed nursing activity statements, which were intended to represent entry-level RN practice. These activity statements and the category structure developed by the SMEs provided a categorical structure for the creation of the knowledge statements. Following the work of the first panel, a second group of SMEs was convened with two panelists bridging the two groups.

This second panel reviewed the activity statements and then developed knowledge statements for each activity statement. The link between knowledge statements and activity statements can be seen in Appendix K, which was developed by the SME panelists during the meeting. Subsequent to their meeting, some of the knowledge statements were re-categorized by the NCLEX[®] Examination Committee (NEC). The knowledge statements were then reviewed and edited by the NEC. The statements in Appendix K reflect the knowledge statements developed by the SMEs. The resulting 253 knowledge statements were incorporated into a survey format.

The final version of the survey contained four sections. Following the initial identification of responder characteristics, the first section focused on the knowledge necessary for entry-level RN practice, asking responders to rate the importance of each knowledge statement by using a one to five-point scale. Section two identified the participant's work environment including area of practice, type of client and employment setting/specialty. Section three focused on demographic information such as racial/ethnic background, highest obtained education degree and gender. The final section provided space for responders to write comments or suggestions about the survey. The survey used in the 2014 Knowledge of Newly Licensed Registered Nurses Survey may be found in Appendix C.

Survey Process

Sample Selection

Newly Licensed RNs: A random sample of 2,150 RNs was selected from a list of candidates who passed the NCLEX-RN® examination Oct. 1, 2013 and March 31, 2014 and did not participate in the RN Practice Analysis survey. Only candidates with a U.S. mailing address within the jurisdiction in which they were seeking licensure were included in the sample. This strategy provided a way to minimize the number of incorrect addresses to which the survey would be sent.

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Representativeness

Table 1 presents the correspondence of sample and responders within each primary job title by NCSBN jurisdiction. Because multiple surveys were mailed to RN Educators, all responders from an institution were counted only as one. As shown in Table 1, the percentage of responders from different jurisdictions is similar to the sample composition.

Mailing Procedure

The survey forms were mailed to a total of 6,350 potential responders (2,150 Newly Licensed RNs, 700 nursing programs, which included surveys for three educators [2,100 RN Educators in total], 700 nursing homes, 700 hospitals and 700 home health agencies [2,100 potential supervisors of newly licensed RNs]). To acquire the RN Educator responders, three surveys were sent to the dean/director of the program to distribute amongst their faculty members. It was requested that a survey be distributed to an educator in each of the following general areas: (1) Medical/Surgical Nursing; (2) Obstetrics-Gynecology/Pediatric or Maternal Child Nursing; and (3) Psychiatric (Mental Health) or Community Health Nursing. If the school did not have specialty faculty who could complete the survey it was asked that additional faculty in the clinical setting who teach Medical-Surgical participate.

Table 1. Representativeness of Responders by NCSBN Jurisdiction

Jurisdiction	Newly Licensed RN				RN Educator				RN Supervisor			
	Sample		Responders		Sample		Responders		Sample		Responders	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
Alabama	28	1.3	4	1.2	18	2.6	7	1.8	35	1.7	2	0.9
Alaska	3	0.1	0	0.0	1	0.1	0	0.0	7	0.3	1	0.4
Arizona	49	2.3	1	0.3	15	2.1	10	2.6	23	1.1	4	1.8
Arkansas	29	1.3	3	0.9	5	0.7	4	1.0	38	1.8	3	1.3
California	63	2.9	16	4.7	58	8.3	35	9.2	143	6.8	8	3.5
Colorado	41	1.9	8	2.3	17	2.4	5	1.3	28	1.3	1	0.4
Connecticut	26	1.2	3	0.9	9	1.3	4	1.0	21	1.0	3	1.3
Delaware	6	0.3	2	0.6	2	0.3	1	0.3	3	0.1	0	0.0
District of Columbia	0	0.0	0	0.0	2	0.3	1	0.3	3	0.1	0	0.0
Florida	187	8.7	27	7.8	54	7.7	28	7.3	93	4.4	9	4.0
Georgia	55	2.6	8	2.3	8	1.1	3	0.8	49	2.3	5	2.2
Guam	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	0.1	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Hawaii	12	0.6	2	0.6	3	0.4	1	0.3	6	0.3	0	0.0
Idaho	8	0.4	4	1.2	5	0.7	4	1.0	16	0.8	5	2.2
Illinois	83	3.9	17	4.9	32	4.6	20	5.2	87	4.1	13	5.8
Indiana	63	2.9	7	2.0	14	2.0	11	2.9	60	2.9	6	2.7
Iowa	35	1.6	7	2.0	6	0.9	4	1.0	48	2.3	9	4.0
Kansas	33	1.5	4	1.2	12	1.7	7	1.8	50	2.4	11	4.9
Kentucky	36	1.7	8	2.3	24	3.4	9	2.4	53	2.5	6	2.7
Louisiana	40	1.9	8	2.3	8	1.1	6	1.6	66	3.1	2	0.9
Maine	5	0.2	3	0.9	3	0.4	3	0.8	19	0.9	1	0.4
Maryland	53	2.5	14	4.1	8	1.1	6	1.6	29	1.4	1	0.4
Massachusetts	49	2.3	5	1.5	23	3.3	5	1.3	67	3.2	3	1.3
Michigan	90	4.2	18	5.2	13	1.9	5	1.3	59	2.8	8	3.5
Minnesota	45	2.1	10	2.9	12	1.7	6	1.6	59	2.8	7	3.1
Mississippi	21	1.0	3	0.9	7	1.0	5	1.3	26	1.2	5	2.2
Missouri	61	2.8	16	4.7	18	2.6	8	2.1	49	2.3	7	3.1
Montana	6	0.3	2	0.6	1	0.1	0	0.0	14	0.7	2	0.9
Nebraska	20	0.9	5	1.5	7	1.0	4	1.0	27	1.3	10	4.4
Nevada	23	1.1	3	0.9	2	0.3	1	0.3	8	0.4	0	0.0
New Hampshire	3	0.1	1	0.3	7	1.0	3	0.8	12	0.6	1	0.4
New Jersey	39	1.8	9	2.6	18	2.6	5	1.3	24	1.1	0	0.0
New Mexico	18	0.8	3	0.9	9	1.3	4	1.0	22	1.0	2	0.9
New York	125	5.8	15	4.4	31	4.4	25	6.6	86	4.1	8	3.5
North Carolina	41	1.9	3	0.9	32	4.6	14	3.7	60	2.9	5	2.2
North Dakota	3	0.1	0	0.0	5	0.7	2	0.5	13	0.6	4	1.8
Northern Mariana Islands	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	0.1	1	0.3	0	0.0	0	0.0
Ohio	142	6.6	18	5.2	32	4.6	18	4.7	109	5.2	15	6.6
Oklahoma	22	1.0	4	1.2	14	2.0	9	2.4	57	2.7	5	2.2
Oregon	15	0.7	3	0.9	10	1.4	6	1.6	19	0.9	1	0.4

Table 1. Representativeness of Responders by NCSBN Jurisdiction

Jurisdiction	Newly Licensed RN				RN Educator				RN Supervisor			
	Sample		Responders		Sample		Responders		Sample		Responders	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
Pennsylvania	71	3.3	12	3.5	25	3.6	17	4.5	96	4.6	13	5.8
Puerto Rico*	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	9	0.4	1	0.4
Rhode Island	7	0.3	1	0.3	2	0.3	2	0.5	10	0.5	0	0.0
South Carolina	38	1.8	8	2.3	8	1.1	6	1.6	15	0.7	0	0.0
South Dakota	6	0.3	0	0.0	6	0.9	5	1.3	12	0.6	3	1.3
Tennessee	57	2.7	7	2.0	9	1.3	8	2.1	41	2.0	2	0.9
Texas	217	10.1	27	7.8	37	5.3	18	4.7	169	8.0	10	4.4
Utah	26	1.2	1	0.3	9	1.3	6	1.6	7	0.3	0	0.0
Vermont	0	0.0	0	0.0	2	0.3	1	0.3	3	0.1	2	0.9
Virgin Islands	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	0.1	1	0.3	0	0.0	0	0.0
Virginia	51	2.4	10	2.9	23	3.3	9	2.4	36	1.7	3	1.3
Washington	38	1.8	3	0.9	9	1.3	4	1.0	30	1.4	3	1.3
West Virginia	9	0.4	2	0.6	8	1.1	5	1.3	20	1.0	3	1.3
Wisconsin	49	2.3	9	2.6	11	1.6	7	1.8	54	2.6	10	4.4
Wyoming	3	0.1	0	0.0	3	0.4	2	0.5	10	0.5	3	1.3
Total	2150	100.0	344	100.0	700	100.0	381	100.0	2100	100.0	226	100.0

* Puerto Rico is no longer an NCSBN member and the responses that indicated Puerto Rico jurisdiction were not included in the analysis.

A five-stage mailing process was used to engage the participants in the study. A pre-survey letter was sent to each person or facility selected for the sample. One week later, the survey(s), with a cover letter and a postage-paid return envelope, were mailed. Eleven days later, a postcard was sent to all participants or facilities reiterating the importance of the study and urging participation. Approximately one week after the first postcard, a second reminder postcard was sent. A final reminder was sent to nonresponders approximately one week after the second reminder. The survey was conducted from April through June 2014.

Confidentiality

All potential participants were promised confidentiality with regard to their participation and responses. Pre-assigned code numbers were used to facilitate follow-up mailings. Files containing mailing information were kept separate from the data files. The study protocol was approved by the NCSBN's chief executive officer for compliance with organizational guidelines for research studies involving human subjects.

Return Rates

There were 2,150 Newly Licensed RNs invited to complete the survey and of those, 15 surveys were undeliverable due to incorrect addresses. There were 347 surveys returned by Newly Licensed RNs for an adjusted return rate of 16.3%. A total of 2,100 RN Educators were invited to complete the survey and 14 of those were undeliverable due to incorrect addresses. A total of 813 surveys were returned by RN Educators for a 39.0% adjusted return rate. There were 2,100 surveys sent to RN Supervisors, with 323 surveys undelivered due to incorrect addresses. RN Supervisors returned 228 surveys for an adjusted return rate of 12.8%. Total number of surveys delivered was 5,998, with an adjusted return rate of 23.1% as seen in Table 2.

Of the 1,388 surveys received, 12 responders did not report to hold either an APRN or RN license plus one responder was not practicing within an NCSBN member board jurisdiction. With the implementation of quality control procedures, the analyzable return rates were 16.1%, 38.6% and 12.7% for Newly Licensed RNs, RN Educators, and

Table 2. Adjusted Return Rates

Job Title	Sample	Incorrect Addresses	Surveys Delivered	Adjusted Responses	Adjusted Return Rate %
Newly Licensed RNs	2,150	15	2,135	347	16.3
RN Educators	2,100	14	2,086	813	39.0
RN Supervisors	2,100	323	1,777	228	12.8
Total	6,350	352	5,998	1,388	23.1

Table 3. Analyzable Return Rates

Job Title	Surveys Delivered	Invalid Responses	Analyzable Responses	Analyzable Return Rate %
Newly Licensed RNs	2,135	3	344	16.1
RN Educators	2,086	7	806	38.6
RN Supervisors	1,777	3	225	12.7
Total	5,998	13	1,375	22.9

RN Supervisors respectively; as seen in Table 3. There were 1,375 analyzable surveys or a return rate of 22.9% for the total group.

Knowledge Survey Nonresponder Study

In order to ensure the validity of the results, NCSBN conducted a telephone survey of nonresponders to determine if those RNs not responding would have rated the knowledge statements differently. If there are no systematic differences in responders versus nonresponders, it would seem that the results are not biased and we have evidence to support the validity of the results. Of the RNs not participating in the survey, a stratified random sample of Newly Licensed RNs, RN Educators and RN Supervisors were contacted via telephone. Of the potential contacts, a telephone interview was obtained from 92 participants: 31 Newly Licensed RNs, 31 RN Educators and 30 RN Supervisors. The study found that the majority of the nonresponders either did not receive the initial survey invitation, were too busy, or did not respond for other reasons. More importantly, the study found that the nonresponders rated the knowledge statements similar to how responders rated them; this similarity supports the validity of the results of this study. A full report of the study can be found in Appendix J.

Summary

A panel of RNs experienced in the practices of newly licensed RNs met and created a list of 253 knowledge statements that are important for a newly licensed RN to possess. A data collection instrument was developed, piloted and revised prior to being mailed. The surveyed RNs were divided into the following categories: 2,150 Newly Licensed RNs, 2,100 RN Educators (obtained by sending three surveys to 700 nursing programs) and 2,100 RN Supervisors (obtained by sending a survey to 700 nursing homes, 700 home health agencies and 700 hospitals). A 22.9% response rate of analyzable surveys was obtained for the total group. This analysis contains the responses of 344 Newly Licensed RNs, 806 RN Educators and 225 RN Supervisors.

DEMOGRAPHICS, EXPERIENCES AND PRACTICE ENVIRONMENTS OF PARTICIPANTS

Demographics/Past Experiences

Demographic information, including racial and ethnic backgrounds, educational preparation and gender are presented next, followed by descriptions of responders' work environments, including settings and client characteristics.

Nursing Licenses Held

Responders were included in analysis if they reported holding either an RN or APRN license. RN was the most frequent nursing license of all three job titles: 100.0% (Newly Licensed RNs), 89.2% (RN Educators) and 97.3% (RN Supervisors). See Figure 1 Licenses by Primary Job Title. Responders were allowed to select all that apply, so percentages may not add up to 100%. These figures were close to those from the 2011 survey figures, which were 99.8% (Newly Licensed RNs), 89.3% (RN Educators) and 98.0% (RN Supervisors).

Gender

The majority of survey responders (93.6%) reported their gender as female: Newly Licensed RNs (86.8%), RN Educators (96.5%) and RN Supervisors (93.7%). See Figure 2 for gender sorted by primary job title. In 2011, 94.7% of the responders were female.

Survey Adequacy

The responders were asked to rate how well the knowledge statements represented the knowledge areas a newly licensed RN should possess choosing one of four options: "Poorly," "Adequately," "Well," or "Very Well." The majority of survey responders within each job title reported the survey covered the important knowledge areas of a newly licensed RN "Well" or "Very Well." Approximately 91.4% of Newly Licensed RNs, 94.1% of RN Educators and 93.2% of RN Supervisors rated the survey as covering knowledge "Well" or "Very Well." See Figure 3 for survey adequacy sorted by primary job title in 2014 and 2011.

Age

Newly Licensed RNs had an average age of 33.5 years (SD=9.83); RN Educators' average age was 52.2 years (SD=9.69). RN Supervisors' average age was 50.7 years (SD=9.65). In 2011, the average ages for the three groups were 31.8 years, 52.2 years and 51.4 years.

Race/Ethnic Background

White-Not of Hispanic Origin was the ethnic background identified most frequently by Newly Licensed RNs (75.6%), RN Educators (88.4%) and RN Supervisors (90.7%). See Figure 4 for the racial/ethnic backgrounds of survey responders sorted by primary job title in 2014 and 2011. These RN and RN Supervisor percentages have increased from 2011 to 2014 by 1.9% and 1.5% while the RN Educator percentage declined by 1.2%.

Education Background

Over half of Newly Licensed RNs (51.6%) reported having an associate degree, a decrease of 9.4% from 2011. Approximately 33.3% of RN Educators listed their degree as a generic master's degree in the U.S. The most frequent response for RN Supervisors was an associate or a baccalaureate degree (both 32.1%), an increase of 9.8% and 4.1% from 2011, respectively. See Figure 5 for the educational background of responders sorted by primary job title from both years.

Primary Language

The majority of Newly Licensed RNs (83.3%), RN Educators (96.8%) and RN Supervisors (96.6%) reported English as their primary language. See Figure 6 for primary language sorted by primary job title. In 2011, 86.1% of Newly Licensed RNs reported English as their primary language.

Years of Experience

There were large variations in months and years RN Educators and RN Supervisors worked in their job. Newly Licensed RNs were asked how long it

Figure 1. Licenses by Primary Job Title

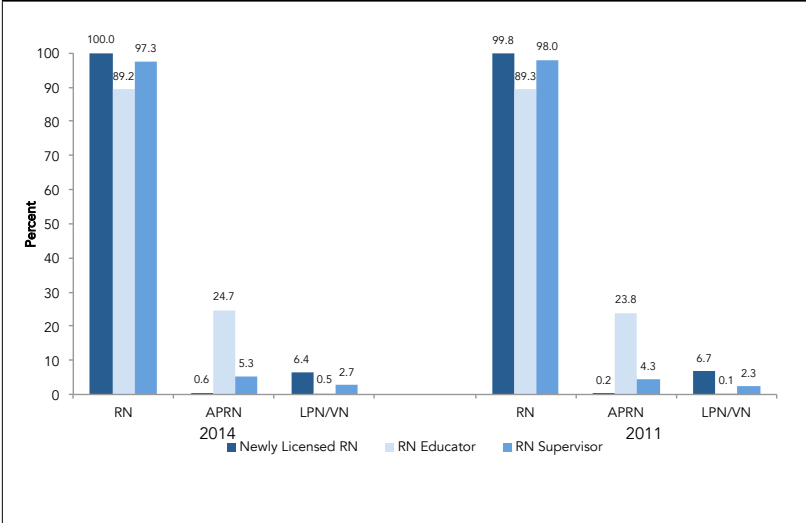


Figure 2. Gender by Primary Job Title

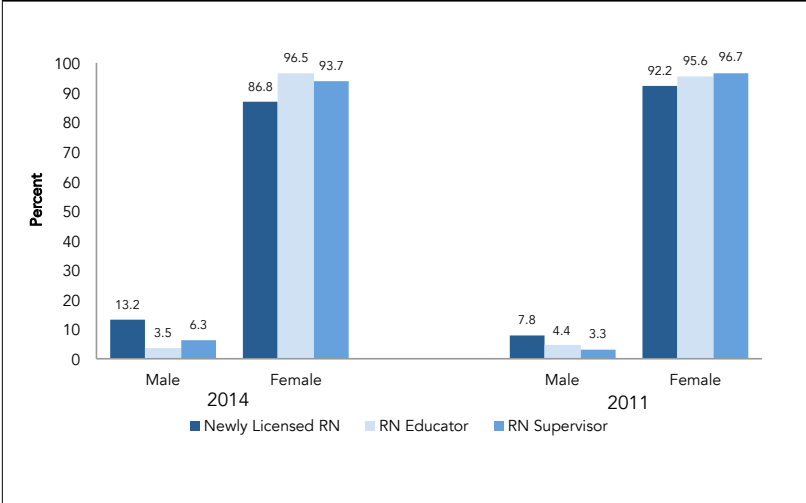


Figure 3. Survey Adequacy by Primary Job Title

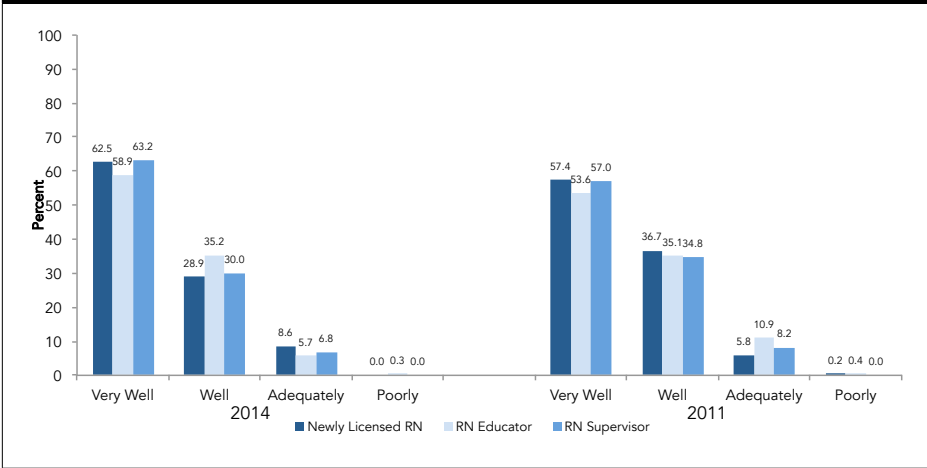
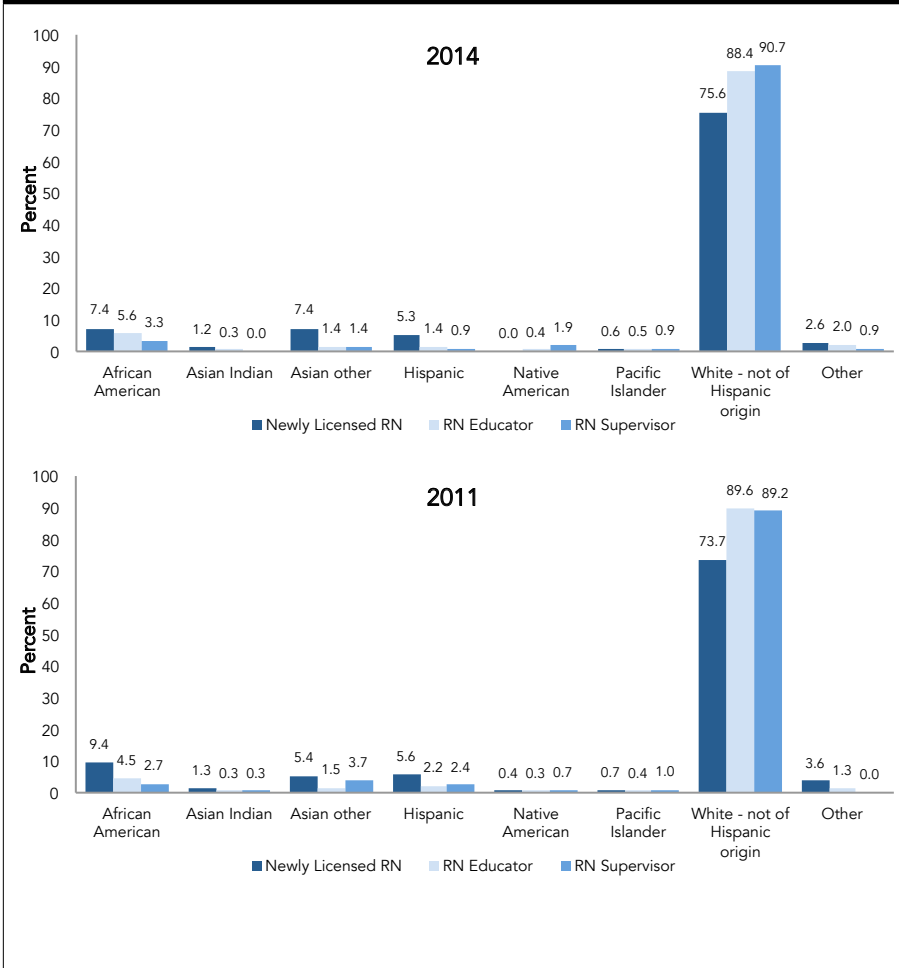


Figure 4. Race/Ethnic Background by Primary Job Title



had been since their graduation from the nursing programs. Newly Licensed RNs reported an average of 8.5 months since graduation. RN Educators have spent 12.5 years at their job, slightly more than RN Supervisors, who have spent an average of 10.6 years in their jobs. In 2011, Newly Licensed RNs reported an average of 7 months since graduation; RN Educators spent 12.6 years at their jobs compared to RN Supervisors with an average of 12.8 years at their jobs.

Facilities

The majority of Newly Licensed RNs (69.7%) and RN Educators (74.1%) worked in hospitals. RN Supervisors worked primarily in hospitals (50.2%)

and long-term care (36.3%) and See Figure 7 for facility by primary job title in 2014 and 2011.

Client Health Conditions

The majority of Newly Licensed RNs (64.8%), RN Educators (58.1%) and RN Supervisors (66.7%) reported working with clients exhibiting acute conditions. As nurses often work with clients with varying conditions, responders were allowed to give multiple answers, resulting in percentages within each job title totaling more than 100%. See Figure 8 for client health conditions sorted by primary job title in 2014 and 2011

Figure 5. Educational Background by Primary Job Title

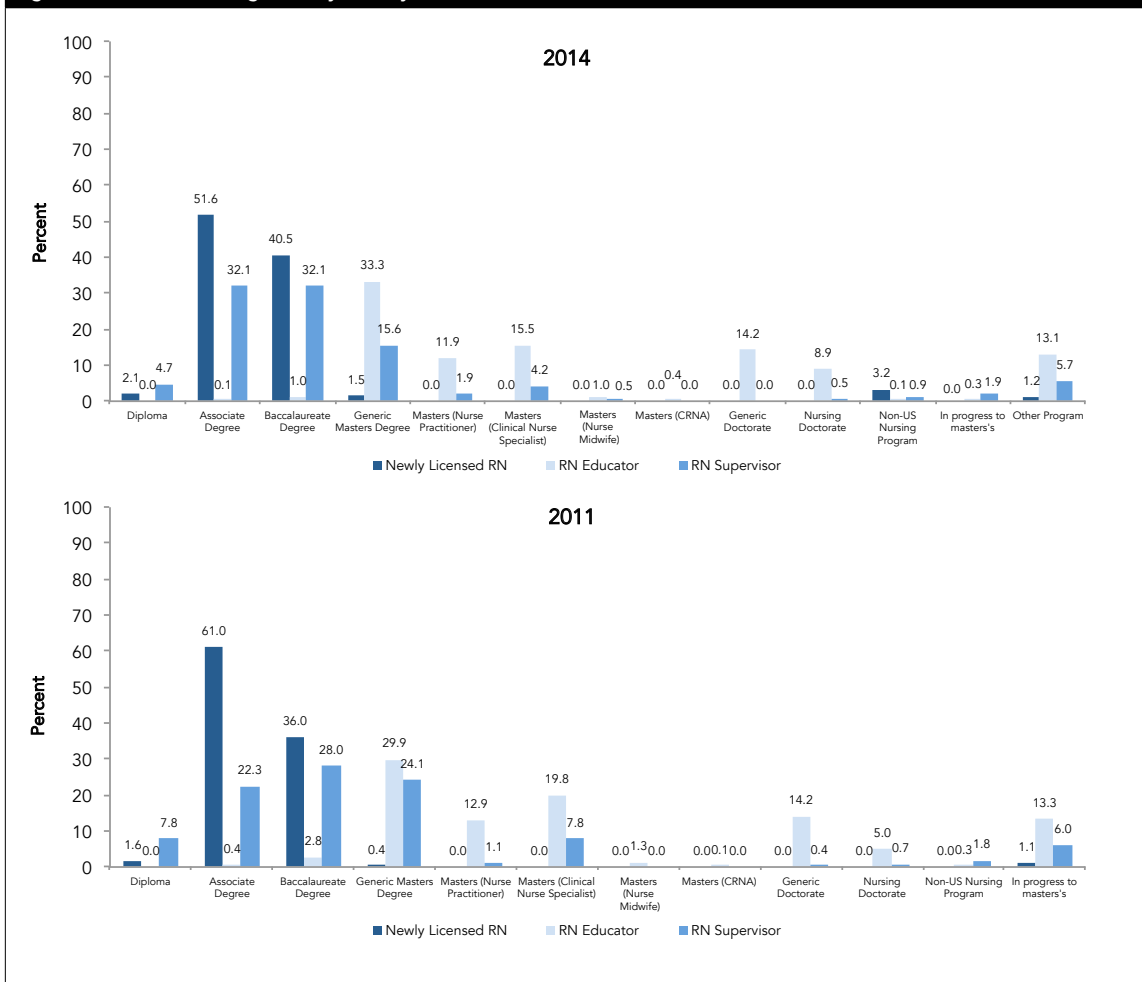


Figure 6. Primary Language by Primary Job Title

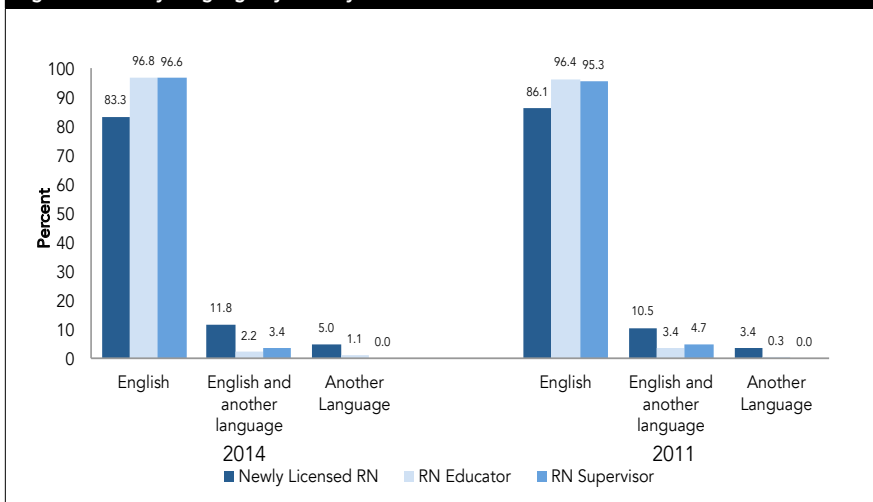


Figure 7. Facility by Primary Job Title

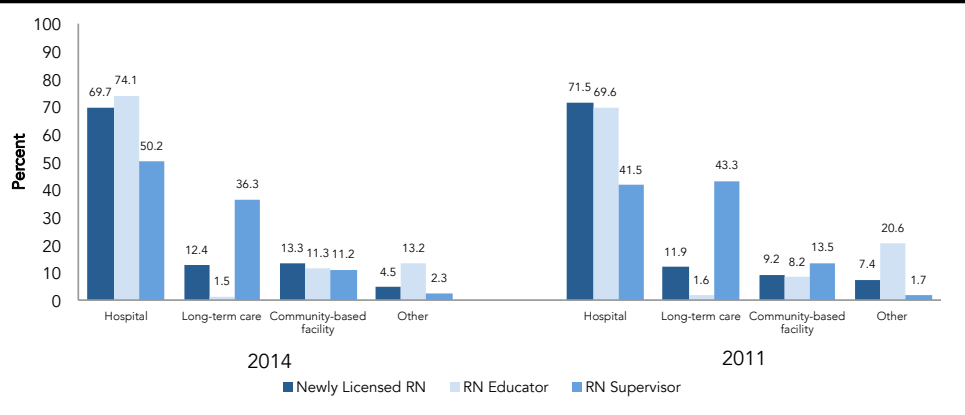


Figure 8. Client Health Conditions by Primary Job Title

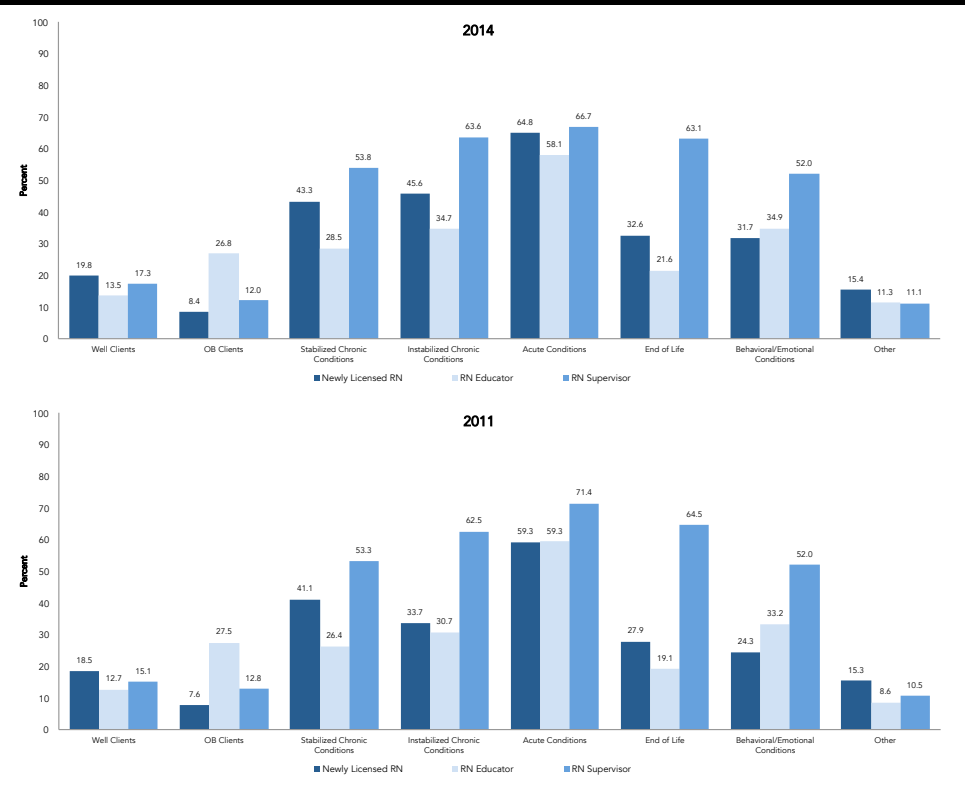


Figure 9. Client Ages by Primary Job Title

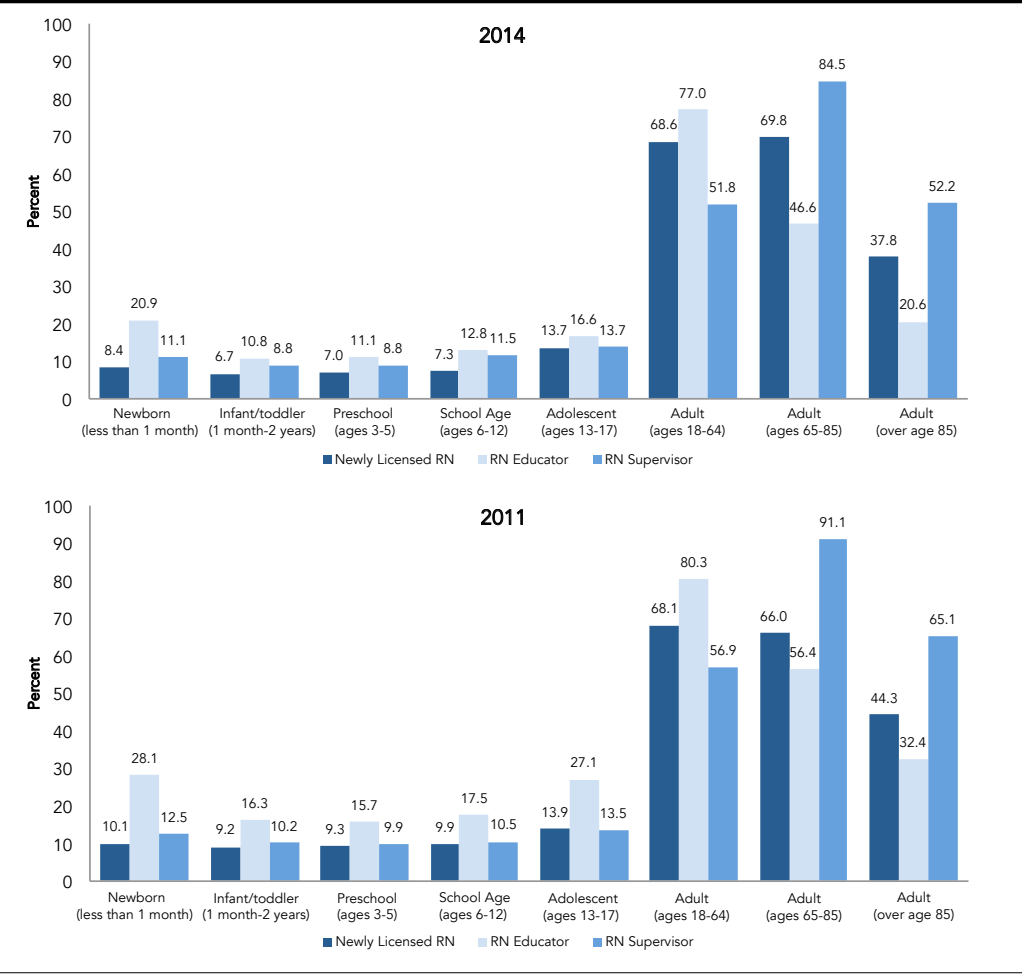


Table 4. Employment Setting/Specialty

Employment Setting	Year	Newly Licensed RN		RN Educator		RN Supervisor		Total	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
Critical care	2014	87	25.3	160	19.9	46	20.4	293	21.3
	2011	132	23.3	140	17.3	57	18.8	329	19.6
Medical-surgical unit	2014	113	32.8	317	39.3	75	33.3	505	36.7
	2011	216	38.1	326	40.2	86	28.3	628	37.3
Pediatrics	2014	18	5.2	92	11.4	7	3.1	117	8.5
	2011	21	3.7	96	11.8	17	5.6	134	8.0
Nursery	2014	10	2.9	91	11.3	7	3.1	108	7.9
	2011	12	2.1	70	8.6	7	2.3	89	5.3
Labor and delivery	2014	11	3.2	130	16.1	11	4.9	152	11.1
	2011	20	3.5	106	13.1	12	3.9	138	8.2
Postpartum unit	2014	12	3.5	134	16.6	6	2.7	152	11.1
	2011	17	3.0	117	14.4	8	2.6	142	8.4

Table 4. Employment Setting/Specialty

Employment Setting	Year	Newly Licensed RN		RN Educator		RN Supervisor		Total	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
Psychiatric	2014	23	6.7	187	23.2	18	8.0	228	16.6
	2011	18	3.2	190	23.4	6	2.0	214	12.7
Assisted living	2014	3	0.9	2	0.2	3	1.3	8	0.6
	2011	9	1.6	5	0.6	11	3.6	25	1.5
Operating room	2014	9	2.6	17	2.1	6	2.7	32	2.3
	2011	15	2.6	11	1.4	8	2.6	34	2.0
Nursing home	2014	47	13.7	27	3.3	80	35.6	154	11.2
	2011	61	10.8	47	5.8	137	45.1	245	14.6
Other long term care	2014	9	2.6	10	1.2	9	4.0	28	2.0
	2011	16	2.8	3	0.4	7	2.3	26	1.5
Rehabilitation	2014	26	7.6	11	1.4	36	16.0	73	5.3
	2011	35	6.2	7	0.9	43	14.1	85	5.1
Subacute unit	2014	2	0.6	7	0.9	10	4.4	19	1.4
	2011	16	2.8	9	1.1	36	11.8	61	3.6
Transitional care unit	2014	5	1.5	9	1.1	4	1.8	18	1.3
	2011	5	0.9	4	0.5	10	3.3	19	1.1
Physician/dentist's office	2014	9	2.6	30	3.7	1	0.4	40	2.9
	2011	14	2.5	8	1.0	0	0.0	22	1.3
Occupational health	2014	0	0.0	2	0.2	1	0.4	3	0.2
	2011	0	0.0	1	0.1	0	0.0	1	0.1
Outpatient clinic	2014	8	2.3	20	2.5	3	1.3	31	2.3
	2011	12	2.1	19	2.3	2	0.7	33	2.0
Home health	2014	20	5.8	17	2.1	18	8.0	55	4.0
	2011	18	3.2	11	1.4	46	15.1	75	4.5
Public health	2014	3	0.9	28	3.5	8	3.6	39	2.8
	2011	2	0.4	21	2.6	7	2.3	30	1.8
Student/school health	2014	0	0.0	20	2.5	2	0.9	22	1.6
	2011	5	0.9	21	2.6	1	0.3	27	1.6
Hospice care	2014	10	2.9	13	1.6	14	6.2	37	2.7
	2011	7	1.2	8	1.0	24	7.9	39	2.3
Prison/correctional facility/jail	2014	4	1.2	6	0.7	0	0.0	10	0.7
	2011	2	0.4	5	0.6	1	0.3	8	0.5
Short stay	2014	4	1.2	6	0.7	8	3.6	18	1.3
	2011	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Step-down care	2014	18	5.2	20	2.5	6	2.7	44	3.2
	2011	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Other	2014	23	6.7	96	11.9	20	8.9	139	10.1
	2011	50	8.8	142	17.5	20	6.6	212	12.6

Client Ages

Newly Licensed RNs reported caring for adult clients both older, 65 to 85 (69.8%), and younger, 18 to 64 (68.6%). The majority of RN Educator (77.0%) cared for adult clients aged 18-64. The most frequent response of RN Supervisors (84.5%) was caring for older adults aged 65-85. The ability to give multiple answers allows for percentages to equal more than 100%. See Figure 9 for client ages sorted by primary job title in both 2014 and 2011.

Employment Setting/Specialty

The employment setting most frequently given by Newly Licensed RNs (32.8%) and RN Educators (39.9%) was Medical-Surgical units. RN Supervisors (35.6%) most frequently answered nursing homes. On average for all job titles, the least reported employment settings were occupational health (0.2%) and assisted living (0.6%). Responders were able to answer up to two employment settings allowing for percentages totaling more than 100%. See Table 4 for employment settings and specialties.

Summary

The average Newly Licensed RN responder was an English-speaking White female with an average age of 33.5 years. She held an associate degree or a baccalaureate degree from a college/university within the U.S. She primarily worked in hospitals caring for adult clients both older, ages 65 to 85 and younger ages 18 to 64, exhibiting acute and chronic health conditions.

The average RN Educator responder was an English-speaking White female with an average age of 52.2 years. She held a generic master's degree from a college/university within the U.S. On average, she had been an RN Educator for 12.5 years.

The average RN Supervisor responder was an English-speaking White female with an average age of 50.7 years. She held an associate or a baccalaureate degree from a college/university within the U.S. She worked in hospitals and long-term care facilities caring for older clients (ages 65-85+) exhibiting acute, as well as chronic and end-of-life conditions. On average, she worked as an RN Supervisor for 10.6 years.

KNOWLEDGE STATEMENT FINDINGS

Overview of Methods

The 2014 Knowledge of Newly Licensed RNs Survey asked responders to rate the importance of knowledge statements necessary for a newly licensed RN to practice safely and effectively. Responders were asked to rate the overall importance of each knowledge statement considering safe and effective professional RN practice, regardless of practice setting. Importance was rated by using a five-point (1-5) scale.

SME Panel Validation of Survey Findings

The SME Panel for the 2014 Knowledge of Newly Licensed RNs Survey was asked to provide independent ratings of the 253 knowledge statements. See Appendix D for average importance ratings of SMEs.

In order to validate the results of the survey, the importance ratings estimated by SMEs were compared to the average importance ratings from the knowledge survey. As can be seen in Table 5, there was, in general, consistency among the highest importance ratings for Newly Licensed RNs, RN Educators, RN Supervisors and the SME ratings. Additionally, there was consistency among the lowest importance knowledge statements among Newly Licensed RNs, RN Educators, RN Supervisors and SMEs. There seems to be evidence from several sources that provide convergent validity on the knowledge needed by newly licensed RNs in order to practice safely and effectively. The ratings of SMEs compared to survey responder ratings, categorized by job titles, are presented in Appendices E, F and G.

The importance ratings of SMEs compared to the ratings of each subgroup were very similar. In fact, the only knowledge statement rating that was one point different between the SMEs and the Newly Licensed RNs is "hemodialysis care." The SMEs rated the importance of this knowledge statement at 2.50, while Newly Licensed RNs rated the same statement 3.63. There were no other knowledge statements that were more than one point

difference between the SMEs and RN Educators and RN Supervisors. Again, the information on knowledge needed by newly licensed RNs from multiple sources provides a more accurate description than a single source.

Representativeness of Knowledge Statements

The participants were asked whether the knowledge areas listed on the survey represented knowledge a newly licensed RN should possess. A large percentage of Newly Licensed RNs (62.5%), RN Educators (58.9%) and RN Supervisors (63.2%) responded that the survey represented the necessary knowledge "Very Well." Moreover, 91.4% of Newly Licensed RNs, 94.1% of RN Educators and 93.2% of RN Supervisors noted that the knowledge statements covered the knowledge that a newly licensed RN should possess "Well" or "Very Well."

Reliability of Instrument

A reliability index (coefficient alpha) was calculated to evaluate the measurement error associated with the survey and the internal consistency of the survey instrument. Alpha coefficients range from 0 to 1; a value of 0.7 or greater is considered adequate (Cronbach, 1951). The resulting value of 0.99 for this survey instrument suggests this survey is reliably measuring the knowledge that a newly licensed RN needs for safe and effective practice.

Knowledge Statements

Importance of Knowledge Statements

The safe and effective practice of newly licensed RNs was determined by participants' responses based on an importance rating scale. In other words, the responders were asked, "How important is the possession of this knowledge by a newly licensed RN for safe and effective professional practice, regardless of specific practice setting?" Importance ratings were recorded using a five-point scale: 1= "Not Important," 2= "Marginally Important," 3= "Moderately Important," 4= "Important," 5= "Critically Important." Average importance ratings were calculated by including all importance ratings

regardless of practice setting. The SME panel ratings and survey responder ratings of the 253 knowledge statements yielded very similar results.

The five least important and the five most important knowledge statements for all groups are shown in Table 5 along with the ratings they received. All of the groups (Newly Licensed RNs, RN Educators, RN Supervisors and SMEs) rated “airway management” and “medication error prevention” among the five most important knowledge statements. In terms of the least important knowledge statements, all groups rated “phototherapy” among the five least important. These groups of statements were

contrasted in Tables 6 and 7 with those from the 2014 survey.

The average importance of ratings sorted by primary job title (Newly Licensed RN, RN Educator and RN Supervisor) for all of the knowledge statements are presented in Table 8. Additionally, Appendices E, F and G present the information in rank order of importance for each of the primary job titles as compared to ratings of SMEs. Since a different set of statements were used in 2014, it would not be possible to make individual comparisons between the two years.

Table 5. Most Important and Least Important Knowledge Statements with Ratings

Most Important Knowledge Statements							
Newly Licensed RN		RN Educator		RN Supervisor		SMEs	
Knowledge Statement	Avg. (1-5 scale)	Knowledge Statement	Avg. (1-5 scale)	Knowledge Statement	Avg. (1-5 scale)	Knowledge Statement	Avg. (1-5 scale)
Airway Management	4.79	Medication Error Prevention	4.85	Client Confidentiality	4.66	Awareness of Professional Limitations	4.88
Medication Error Prevention	4.74	Medication Safety	4.81	Airway Management	4.61	Client Confidentiality	4.88
Vital signs	4.72	Client Safety	4.79	Medication Error Prevention	4.59	Medication Error Prevention	4.88
Client Safety	4.70	Client Identification	4.78	Aseptic Technique	4.59	Vital Signs	4.88
Changes in Client Condition	4.67	Airway Management	4.77	Awareness of Professional Limitations	4.58	Airway Management	4.75
Least Important Knowledge Statements							
Newly Licensed RN		RN Educator		RN Supervisor		SMEs	
Knowledge Statement	Avg. (1-5 scale)	Knowledge Statement	Avg. (1-5 scale)	Knowledge Statement	Avg. (1-5 scale)	Knowledge Statement	Avg. (1-5 scale)
Body Mass Index (BMI)	2.85	Phototherapy	2.87	Phototherapy	2.54	Phototherapy	2.25
Body Image	2.96	Peritoneal Dialysis Care	2.93	Peritoneal Dialysis Care	2.80	Hemodialysis Care	2.50
Phototherapy	3.00	Renal Replacement Therapy	2.97	Body Mass Index (BMI)	2.81	Peritoneal Dialysis Care	2.50
Antepartum	3.13	Hemodialysis Care	3.01	Renal Replacement Therapy	2.85	New Parent Education	2.63
Developmental Stages and Milestones	3.23	Post Mortem Care	3.07	Body Image	2.90	Renal Replacement Therapy	2.75

Table 6. Most Important Knowledge Statements from 2014 and 2011 Surveys

Newly Licensed RN		RN Educator		RN Supervisor	
2014	2011	2014	2011	2014	2011
Airway Management	Medication Error Prevention	Medication Error Prevention	Client Safety	Client Confidentiality	Rights of Medication Administration
Medication Error Prevention	Proper Client Identification	Medication Safety	Proper Client Identification	Airway Management	Infection Control Standards
Vital Signs	Rights of Medication Administration	Client Safety	Rights of Medication Administration	Medication Error Prevention	Pain Management
Client Safety	Blood Product Complications	Client Identification	Medication Error Prevention	Aseptic Technique	Infection Transmission
Changes in Client Condition	Allergic Reaction Interventions	Airway Management	Medication Calculations	Awareness of Professional Limitations	Pain Management Techniques

Table 7. Least Important Knowledge Statements from 2014 and 2011 Surveys

Newly Licensed RN		RN Educator		RN Supervisor	
2014	2011	2014	2011	2014	2011
Body Mass Index (BMI)	Phototherapy	Phototherapy	Phototherapy	Phototherapy	Preschool Client Care
Body Image	Body Image Changes	Peritoneal Dialysis Care	Peritoneal Dialysis Care	Peritoneal Dialysis Care	Phototherapy
Phototherapy	Preschool Client Care	Renal Replacement Therapy	Organ donation process	Body Mass Index (BMI)	School Age Client Care
Antepartum	Post Mortem Care	Hemodialysis Care	Preschool Client Care	Renal Replacement Therapy	Maternal Fetal Monitoring
Developmental Stages and Milestones	Organ Donation Process	Post Mortem Care	Pacing Devices	Body Image	Newborn Care

Table 8. Knowledge Statement Importance Ratings

Survey Position #	Knowledge of:	Newly Licensed RN			RN Educator			RN Supervisor		
		N	Avg.	Std. Err.	N	Avg.	Std. Err.	N	Avg.	Std. Err.
1	Abnormal Test Results	341	4.55	0.04	797	4.60	0.02	219	4.36	0.05
2	Activities Of Daily Living (ADL)	341	3.62	0.05	795	3.95	0.03	219	3.90	0.05
3	Advance Directives	339	3.78	0.06	795	3.83	0.03	218	3.98	0.06
4	Adverse Reactions	341	4.58	0.04	795	4.69	0.02	217	4.51	0.04
5	Airway Management	341	4.79	0.03	800	4.77	0.02	217	4.61	0.05
6	Allergic Reactions Interventions	340	4.54	0.04	793	4.68	0.02	219	4.52	0.05
7	Allergies	339	4.32	0.04	792	4.35	0.03	216	4.17	0.06
8	Allowable Activities For Interprofessional Team Members	338	3.55	0.05	794	3.77	0.03	218	3.53	0.06
9	Alternatives To Restraints	338	3.52	0.05	795	3.86	0.03	217	3.88	0.06
10	Anatomy And Physiology	337	4.17	0.04	794	4.14	0.03	218	4.20	0.05
11	Antepartum	335	3.13	0.07	793	3.29	0.04	217	2.92	0.08
12	Arterial Blood Gas	339	3.97	0.05	796	3.82	0.03	220	3.33	0.08
13	Arterial Line Monitoring	340	3.68	0.07	796	3.11	0.04	218	3.04	0.09
14	Aseptic Technique	340	4.57	0.04	796	4.73	0.02	217	4.59	0.05
15	Aspiration Precautions	341	4.51	0.04	798	4.51	0.03	219	4.41	0.05
16	Assessment Tools	339	4.30	0.04	797	4.27	0.03	217	4.44	0.05
17	Assistive Devices	340	3.45	0.05	799	3.35	0.03	219	3.53	0.06
18	Awareness Of Professional Limitations	340	4.24	0.04	795	4.53	0.02	218	4.58	0.04
19	Barriers To Client Care	338	3.62	0.05	797	3.70	0.03	219	3.62	0.06
20	Barriers To Learning	338	3.65	0.05	792	3.72	0.03	218	3.59	0.06
21	Basic Cardiac Rhythms	340	4.11	0.05	797	3.75	0.03	219	3.63	0.07
22	Behavioral Health Issues	339	3.60	0.05	800	3.80	0.03	218	3.66	0.06
23	Behavioral Management Techniques	340	3.56	0.05	797	3.77	0.03	218	3.70	0.06
24	Biohazardous Material	338	3.73	0.06	797	3.78	0.03	216	3.69	0.07
25	Blood Product Administration	341	4.46	0.05	799	4.16	0.03	219	3.66	0.09
26	Blood Specimen Collection Techniques	340	3.96	0.05	797	3.46	0.04	218	3.56	0.07
27	Body Image	339	2.96	0.05	801	3.23	0.03	219	2.90	0.07
28	Body Mass Index (Bmi)	341	2.85	0.06	798	3.09	0.03	219	2.81	0.07
29	Body Mechanics	340	3.79	0.05	799	4.11	0.03	219	4.11	0.06
30	Calculation And Conversions	341	4.18	0.05	798	4.47	0.03	219	3.96	0.07
31	Caregiver Resources	340	3.45	0.05	796	3.37	0.03	220	3.30	0.07

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Survey Position #	Knowledge of:	Newly Licensed RN			RN Educator			RN Supervisor		
		N	Avg.	Std. Err.	N	Avg.	Std. Err.	N	Avg.	Std. Err.
32	Catheter Maintenance Care	341	4.18	0.04	798	4.11	0.03	218	4.15	0.05
33	Changes In Client Condition	340	4.67	0.03	798	4.69	0.02	219	4.58	0.04
34	Circulation Devices	341	3.81	0.05	796	3.51	0.03	215	3.45	0.07
35	Circulation Movement And Sensation Assessment	341	4.20	0.05	795	4.15	0.03	216	3.88	0.06
36	Client Activity Orders	340	3.54	0.05	797	3.69	0.03	219	3.42	0.06
37	Client Admission, Transfer Or Discharge	340	3.77	0.05	798	3.84	0.03	218	3.93	0.06
38	Client Advocacy	341	4.26	0.04	798	4.27	0.03	220	4.05	0.05
39	Client Assessment	337	4.67	0.03	796	4.72	0.02	216	4.49	0.04
40	Client Care For Adolescent	341	3.76	0.06	796	3.85	0.03	218	3.41	0.08
41	Client Care For Adults	341	4.19	0.04	797	4.25	0.02	218	4.01	0.06
42	Client Care For Infant	340	3.64	0.07	798	3.63	0.04	219	3.30	0.08
43	Client Care For Newborn	340	3.67	0.07	795	3.59	0.04	219	3.26	0.08
44	Client Care For Older Adults	341	4.24	0.04	796	4.18	0.03	218	4.08	0.05
45	Client Care For Preschool Aged Child	341	3.50	0.07	796	3.47	0.04	219	3.16	0.08
46	Client Care For School Aged Child	342	3.51	0.06	796	3.51	0.04	220	3.18	0.08
47	Client Care For Toddler	340	3.52	0.06	795	3.47	0.04	219	3.19	0.08
48	Client Centered Care	341	4.16	0.04	795	4.30	0.03	219	4.03	0.06
49	Client Comfort	340	4.11	0.04	797	4.38	0.02	218	4.26	0.05
50	Client Confidentiality	341	4.55	0.04	797	4.73	0.02	219	4.66	0.04
51	Client Consent	342	4.56	0.04	797	4.62	0.02	219	4.49	0.05
52	Client Coping Mechanisms	339	3.85	0.04	797	3.97	0.03	220	3.90	0.05
53	Client Dignity	340	4.28	0.04	798	4.39	0.02	220	4.35	0.05
54	Client Education	341	4.31	0.04	795	4.39	0.02	218	4.13	0.05
55	Client Environment Of Care	341	3.84	0.05	791	3.98	0.03	220	3.82	0.05
56	Client Handoff Process	340	4.15	0.05	796	4.37	0.03	218	4.22	0.06
57	Client Health History	338	4.33	0.04	797	4.31	0.02	218	4.15	0.05
58	Client Identification	339	4.66	0.03	798	4.78	0.02	219	4.47	0.05
59	Client Needs Assessment	341	4.26	0.04	797	4.35	0.02	217	4.24	0.05
60	Client Plan Of Care	341	4.17	0.04	794	4.30	0.02	217	4.23	0.05
61	Client Positioning And Mobilization Techniques	342	3.96	0.05	797	4.01	0.03	219	3.88	0.06

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		N	Avg.	Std. Err.	N	Avg.	Std. Err.	N	Avg.	Std. Err.
62	Client Privacy	342	4.27	0.04	795	4.42	0.02	218	4.34	0.05
63	Client Response To Plan Of Care	341	4.13	0.04	797	4.26	0.02	218	4.00	0.05
64	Client Rights And Responsibilities	341	4.23	0.04	797	4.38	0.02	219	4.24	0.05
65	Client Risk Assessment	341	4.21	0.04	797	4.41	0.02	218	4.21	0.05
66	Client Safety	339	4.70	0.03	797	4.79	0.02	218	4.50	0.05
67	Client Self Determination	342	3.73	0.05	793	3.94	0.03	217	3.76	0.06
68	Client Sleep And Rest Requirements	340	3.66	0.05	795	3.81	0.03	219	3.63	0.06
69	Client Surveillance	339	3.65	0.05	798	3.92	0.03	217	3.62	0.06
70	Client'S Health Knowledge	340	3.77	0.05	796	3.81	0.03	217	3.67	0.06
71	Communicable Diseases	339	4.23	0.04	796	4.03	0.03	219	3.93	0.06
72	Communication Barriers	341	3.90	0.05	796	4.00	0.03	217	3.81	0.05
73	Communication Strategies	340	3.89	0.05	796	4.06	0.03	218	3.83	0.05
74	Community Health Considerations	338	3.49	0.05	795	3.52	0.03	219	3.42	0.06
75	Community Resources	339	3.47	0.05	798	3.47	0.03	217	3.35	0.06
76	Complementary Therapies	340	3.34	0.06	794	3.18	0.03	218	3.14	0.07
77	Complications Of Labor	341	3.68	0.07	794	3.47	0.04	219	3.22	0.09
78	Comprehensive Health Assessment	338	4.41	0.04	794	4.40	0.03	218	4.31	0.05
79	Comprehensive Health History	335	4.22	0.04	791	4.24	0.03	218	4.15	0.05
80	Conflict Management And Resolution	340	3.71	0.05	793	3.89	0.03	219	3.91	0.06
81	Controlled Substances	340	4.01	0.05	795	4.08	0.03	219	4.10	0.06
82	Coordination Of Client Care	339	3.99	0.04	797	4.00	0.03	219	3.93	0.05
83	Coping Skills	341	3.68	0.04	795	3.87	0.03	218	3.77	0.06
84	Coping Strategies	339	3.66	0.05	798	3.86	0.03	219	3.75	0.06
85	Cost Effective Care	340	3.55	0.05	797	3.68	0.03	219	3.69	0.06
86	Cultural Awareness	340	3.74	0.05	799	4.07	0.03	219	3.71	0.06
87	Cultural Diversity	341	3.70	0.05	798	3.98	0.03	219	3.66	0.06
88	Cultural Factors Affecting Care	341	3.80	0.05	796	4.07	0.03	218	3.72	0.06
89	Death And Dying	341	4.02	0.05	797	4.03	0.03	218	4.02	0.06
90	De-Escalation Techniques	342	3.84	0.05	800	3.92	0.03	218	3.93	0.06

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		N	Avg.	Std. Err.	N	Avg.	Std. Err.	N	Avg.	Std. Err.
91	Developmental Stages And Milestones	342	3.23	0.06	802	3.53	0.03	223	3.00	0.07
92	Device Assessment	342	3.41	0.05	798	3.22	0.03	223	3.15	0.06
93	Diagnostic Tests And Procedures	342	4.20	0.04	802	3.99	0.03	223	3.86	0.05
94	Discharge Planning	342	3.80	0.05	804	4.01	0.03	223	3.85	0.06
95	Disease Prevention And Treatment Techniques	342	4.18	0.05	804	4.09	0.03	223	3.90	0.05
96	Disease Process	342	4.22	0.04	802	4.18	0.03	223	4.11	0.05
97	Documentation Process	342	4.24	0.05	802	4.34	0.03	222	4.35	0.05
98	Drainage Device Care	340	3.80	0.05	802	3.57	0.03	221	3.52	0.06
99	Dressing Changes	341	3.99	0.05	802	3.80	0.03	222	3.84	0.05
100	Dressing Types	341	3.77	0.05	798	3.54	0.03	222	3.63	0.06
101	Drug And Medication Withdrawal Care	339	3.96	0.05	802	3.90	0.03	222	3.59	0.07
102	Early Client Mobilization	342	3.98	0.05	801	3.90	0.03	221	3.51	0.06
103	Emergency Care Procedures	341	4.38	0.05	801	4.24	0.03	223	4.19	0.06
104	Emergency Response Plans	341	4.20	0.05	802	3.92	0.03	223	3.93	0.06
105	Emergency Response Roles And Responsibilities	342	4.17	0.05	799	3.86	0.03	223	3.97	0.06
106	Enteral Feeding Tubes	341	3.87	0.05	803	3.66	0.03	223	3.58	0.06
107	Equipment Safety	340	4.04	0.05	803	4.03	0.03	223	3.83	0.06
108	Ethical Principles	341	4.07	0.04	802	4.39	0.03	222	4.16	0.05
109	Evidence-Based Practice	342	4.15	0.04	802	4.40	0.03	222	4.09	0.05
110	Family Dynamics	340	3.47	0.05	803	3.66	0.03	223	3.42	0.06
111	Fistula Care	342	3.54	0.06	799	3.13	0.04	223	3.26	0.06
112	Fluid And Electrolytes	340	4.59	0.03	801	4.37	0.03	222	4.14	0.05
113	Focused Assessment	341	4.43	0.04	803	4.46	0.02	223	4.04	0.06
114	Grieving Process	341	3.58	0.05	798	3.76	0.03	222	3.60	0.06
115	Handoff Communication	342	4.19	0.04	799	4.38	0.03	222	4.29	0.06
116	Hazardous Material	339	3.78	0.05	800	3.70	0.03	221	3.62	0.06
117	Hazardous Material Handling	341	3.83	0.05	803	3.76	0.03	221	3.61	0.06
118	Health Promotion Behaviors	340	3.81	0.05	796	3.94	0.03	222	3.44	0.06
119	Hemodialysis Care	339	3.63	0.06	799	3.01	0.04	223	3.02	0.08
120	Hemodynamics	340	4.13	0.05	800	3.84	0.03	223	3.68	0.07
121	High Risk Behaviors	340	3.81	0.05	800	3.87	0.03	222	3.70	0.06

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		N	Avg.	Std. Err.	N	Avg.	Std. Err.	N	Avg.	Std. Err.
122	Incident And Error Reporting	341	4.02	0.05	799	4.09	0.03	223	4.04	0.06
123	Incontinence Care	341	3.76	0.05	804	3.60	0.03	223	3.62	0.06
124	Infection Control	342	4.50	0.04	802	4.51	0.03	223	4.42	0.05
125	Information Resources	342	3.60	0.05	801	3.57	0.03	222	3.36	0.06
126	Infusion Delivery Devices	339	3.94	0.05	802	3.68	0.03	219	3.64	0.07
127	Infusion Device Complications	342	3.98	0.05	804	3.79	0.03	222	3.73	0.07
128	Intake And Output	341	4.17	0.04	802	4.22	0.03	222	3.94	0.06
129	Invasive Line Care	340	4.23	0.05	802	3.87	0.04	223	3.68	0.07
130	Irrigation Techniques	340	3.72	0.05	799	3.46	0.03	221	3.52	0.06
131	Isolation Techniques	342	4.15	0.05	802	4.16	0.03	221	3.99	0.06
132	Labor	340	3.42	0.07	800	3.22	0.04	221	2.96	0.08
133	Life Transitions	341	3.30	0.05	802	3.36	0.03	222	3.09	0.07
134	Material Safety Data Sheet (Msds)	342	3.38	0.06	802	3.22	0.04	222	3.32	0.07
135	Medical Equipment	342	3.85	0.05	802	3.41	0.03	222	3.52	0.06
136	Medical Terminology	342	4.26	0.04	804	4.22	0.03	221	4.29	0.05
137	Medication Abuse	344	3.99	0.05	803	3.98	0.03	222	3.90	0.06
138	Medication Administration Activities	343	4.42	0.04	804	4.68	0.02	222	4.43	0.05
139	Medication Calculations	344	4.48	0.04	804	4.74	0.02	222	4.30	0.06
140	Medication Error Prevention	343	4.74	0.03	805	4.85	0.01	221	4.59	0.04
141	Medication Interactions	344	4.53	0.04	806	4.54	0.02	222	4.28	0.05
142	Medication Orders	344	4.49	0.04	805	4.62	0.02	222	4.50	0.04
143	Medication Reconciliation	344	4.31	0.04	806	4.36	0.03	221	4.45	0.05
144	Medication Safety	344	4.67	0.03	805	4.81	0.02	222	4.57	0.04
145	Medication Side Effects	343	4.44	0.04	802	4.53	0.02	222	4.35	0.05
146	Medication Storage	342	3.94	0.05	803	3.99	0.03	222	3.98	0.06
147	Medications	343	4.53	0.03	800	4.55	0.02	222	4.44	0.04
148	Moderate Sedation	344	3.76	0.05	804	3.54	0.03	221	3.48	0.07
149	Modifiable And Non-Modifiable Risk Factors	343	3.64	0.05	804	3.65	0.03	222	3.32	0.06
150	New Parent Education	343	3.45	0.07	805	3.37	0.04	222	2.95	0.08
151	Newborn Assessment	343	3.75	0.07	801	3.51	0.04	222	3.08	0.09
152	Nonpharmacological Comfort Measures	344	3.82	0.05	804	3.99	0.03	222	3.86	0.06
153	Nonprescribed Drugs	342	3.71	0.05	805	3.79	0.03	219	3.55	0.07
154	Nonverbal Cues	344	3.80	0.05	805	3.94	0.03	222	3.64	0.06

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Survey Position #	Knowledge of:	Newly Licensed RN			RN Educator			RN Supervisor		
		N	Avg.	Std. Err.	N	Avg.	Std. Err.	N	Avg.	Std. Err.
155	Nurse Self Awareness	344	4.03	0.05	806	4.10	0.03	221	3.80	0.06
156	Nursing Process	343	4.20	0.05	804	4.39	0.03	222	4.24	0.05
157	Nutritional Assessment	342	3.75	0.05	805	3.80	0.03	222	3.63	0.06
158	Obtaining Orders	343	4.17	0.04	804	4.13	0.03	222	4.18	0.05
159	Occupational Factors Affecting Care	344	3.50	0.05	803	3.29	0.03	221	3.30	0.06
160	Orthopedic Devices	344	3.34	0.06	805	3.08	0.03	222	3.20	0.06
161	Ostomy Care	343	3.69	0.05	804	3.34	0.03	222	3.41	0.06
162	Oxygen Delivery Systems	343	4.34	0.04	804	4.15	0.03	221	3.92	0.06
163	Pacing Devices	344	3.88	0.05	804	3.19	0.04	222	3.30	0.07
164	Pain Assessment	344	4.39	0.04	804	4.63	0.02	222	4.50	0.04
165	Pain Management	344	4.40	0.04	798	4.59	0.02	221	4.51	0.04
166	Palliative Care	344	3.88	0.05	804	3.77	0.03	220	3.84	0.06
167	Pathophysiology	342	4.16	0.04	801	4.26	0.03	220	4.07	0.06
168	Performance Improvement/Quality Improvement Process	343	3.74	0.05	802	3.59	0.03	221	3.81	0.06
169	Peripheral Intravenous Line Insertion Techniques	344	4.13	0.05	802	3.62	0.04	222	3.70	0.08
170	Peritoneal Dialysis Care	343	3.50	0.06	800	2.93	0.04	221	2.80	0.08
171	Personal Protective Equipment	344	4.26	0.04	799	4.40	0.03	221	4.23	0.06
172	Pharmacologic Comfort Measures	341	4.06	0.04	798	4.23	0.03	221	3.87	0.06
173	Phototherapy	342	3.00	0.06	800	2.87	0.04	221	2.54	0.08
174	Physical Stressors	342	3.52	0.05	798	3.57	0.03	220	3.26	0.06
175	Plan Of Care	344	4.06	0.05	802	4.16	0.03	221	4.10	0.05
176	Population Specific Health Risks	344	3.49	0.05	803	3.51	0.03	218	3.19	0.07
177	Post Mortem Care	342	3.36	0.06	804	3.07	0.04	221	3.16	0.07
178	Postoperative Care	341	4.13	0.05	804	4.02	0.03	222	3.62	0.07
179	Post-Partum Care	344	3.59	0.07	796	3.39	0.04	222	3.04	0.08
180	Practice Errors	343	4.10	0.05	801	4.26	0.03	221	3.90	0.06
181	Prenatal Care	344	3.49	0.06	802	3.28	0.04	222	2.92	0.08
182	Preoperative Care	342	3.85	0.05	801	3.83	0.03	221	3.29	0.08
183	Pressure Relieving Support Surfaces	344	3.89	0.05	803	3.67	0.03	221	3.73	0.07
184	Principles Of Delegation And Assignment	344	4.03	0.05	801	4.11	0.03	223	3.85	0.06
185	Principles Of Leadership	344	3.71	0.05	800	3.78	0.03	223	3.77	0.06

Table 8. Knowledge Statement Importance Ratings

Survey Position #	Knowledge of:	Newly Licensed RN			RN Educator			RN Supervisor		
		N	Avg.	Std. Err.	N	Avg.	Std. Err.	N	Avg.	Std. Err.
186	Prioritization Of Care	343	4.56	0.03	799	4.62	0.02	223	4.47	0.04
187	Procedure And Treatment Complications	344	4.35	0.04	799	4.22	0.03	222	4.02	0.05
188	Professional Communication	344	4.21	0.04	800	4.39	0.02	222	4.24	0.05
189	Professional Competency	344	4.33	0.04	801	4.39	0.03	223	4.30	0.05
190	Professional Resources	344	3.86	0.04	800	3.78	0.03	222	3.66	0.06
191	Promotion Of Circulation Techniques	344	4.01	0.04	800	3.78	0.03	222	3.50	0.06
192	Psychological Stressors	343	3.69	0.04	800	3.81	0.03	223	3.44	0.06
193	Psychological/ Psychosocial Assessment	344	3.89	0.04	801	4.08	0.03	223	3.68	0.06
194	Psychosocial Factors Affecting Care	343	3.77	0.05	800	3.88	0.03	223	3.56	0.06
195	Pulmonary Hygiene Techniques	343	4.09	0.05	799	3.79	0.03	223	3.49	0.06
196	Reduction Of Client Risk	343	4.13	0.04	800	4.16	0.03	223	3.65	0.06
197	Reference Materials	344	3.59	0.05	799	3.53	0.03	220	3.36	0.06
198	Regulatory Guidelines And Standards	343	3.85	0.05	797	3.85	0.03	221	3.92	0.06
199	Renal Replacement Therapy	342	3.59	0.06	797	2.97	0.04	223	2.85	0.07
200	Reporting Process/ Chain Of Command	342	3.94	0.05	801	4.00	0.03	222	4.00	0.05
201	Reporting Requirements For Client Conditions	340	4.11	0.04	796	4.21	0.03	222	4.05	0.06
202	Restraints	343	3.64	0.06	794	3.87	0.03	223	3.65	0.07
203	Scope Of Practice	344	4.35	0.04	800	4.61	0.02	222	4.56	0.04
204	Screening Assessments	344	3.92	0.04	798	3.84	0.03	223	3.78	0.06
205	Screening Tools	342	3.78	0.05	798	3.65	0.03	223	3.63	0.06
206	Security Plans	341	3.53	0.06	800	3.61	0.03	222	3.39	0.07
207	Seizure Protocols	342	4.06	0.05	799	3.96	0.03	223	3.76	0.06
208	Setting Limits	340	3.67	0.05	796	3.73	0.03	223	3.51	0.06
209	Signs And Symptoms Of Chemical Dependencies	340	3.83	0.05	800	3.74	0.03	223	3.48	0.07
210	Site Assessment	343	4.10	0.05	798	3.96	0.03	222	3.67	0.06
211	Site Selection	342	3.87	0.05	792	3.76	0.03	220	3.61	0.06
212	Skin Assessment	343	4.29	0.04	797	4.30	0.03	223	4.12	0.05
213	Skin Care	343	4.16	0.04	799	4.10	0.03	223	4.02	0.05

Table 8. Knowledge Statement Importance Ratings

Survey Position #	Knowledge of:	Newly Licensed RN			RN Educator			RN Supervisor		
		N	Avg.	Std. Err.	N	Avg.	Std. Err.	N	Avg.	Std. Err.
214	Skin Preparation	344	3.96	0.05	797	3.81	0.03	222	3.75	0.06
215	Specimen Collection	344	4.11	0.04	798	3.80	0.03	223	3.81	0.05
216	Specimen Handling	342	4.02	0.05	796	3.81	0.03	222	3.77	0.05
217	Spiritual Factors Affecting Care	344	3.39	0.05	798	3.71	0.03	222	3.41	0.06
218	Staff Safety	344	4.14	0.04	797	4.21	0.03	221	4.05	0.06
219	Stages Of Death And Dying	344	3.58	0.05	799	3.60	0.03	222	3.59	0.06
220	Stages Of Pregnancy	342	3.41	0.06	799	3.23	0.04	222	3.02	0.08
221	Standard Precautions	344	4.42	0.04	797	4.55	0.02	223	4.36	0.05
222	Standards Of Care	344	4.36	0.04	800	4.45	0.02	223	4.30	0.05
223	Sterile Technique	343	4.59	0.03	797	4.52	0.03	221	4.24	0.06
224	Substance Abuse	344	3.76	0.05	799	3.77	0.03	222	3.44	0.06
225	Suctioning Techniques	343	4.10	0.05	800	3.84	0.03	223	3.79	0.06
226	Suicide Precautions	344	4.05	0.06	798	4.10	0.03	221	3.86	0.06
227	Supervision Of Assistive Personnel	344	3.92	0.05	800	4.05	0.03	223	3.91	0.05
228	Symptoms Of Abuse And Neglect	342	4.05	0.05	799	4.16	0.03	222	4.00	0.06
229	Teaching And Learning Strategies	344	3.89	0.05	800	3.93	0.03	222	3.62	0.06
230	Therapeutic Communication	344	4.14	0.04	801	4.43	0.02	223	3.77	0.06
231	Therapeutic Effects	344	3.92	0.04	801	4.05	0.03	223	3.55	0.05
232	Therapeutic Environment	344	3.75	0.05	801	3.89	0.03	223	3.46	0.06
233	Therapeutic Interventions	344	3.90	0.04	798	4.06	0.03	222	3.57	0.06
234	Thermoregulation Techniques	343	3.81	0.05	801	3.70	0.03	223	3.22	0.07
235	Time Management	344	4.50	0.04	801	4.29	0.03	223	4.35	0.05
236	Tissue Perfusion	343	4.41	0.04	800	4.19	0.03	223	3.80	0.06
237	Total Parenteral Nutrition (Tpn) Administration	343	3.94	0.06	800	3.51	0.04	222	3.30	0.07
238	Tracheostomy Care	343	4.02	0.06	799	3.63	0.04	221	3.48	0.07
239	Treatments And Procedures	344	4.26	0.04	797	3.98	0.03	223	3.84	0.06
240	Tube Feedings	344	3.92	0.05	799	3.63	0.03	223	3.55	0.06
241	Tube Insertion Techniques	344	3.91	0.06	800	3.57	0.04	223	3.47	0.07
242	Tube Removal Techniques	344	3.88	0.06	801	3.55	0.04	223	3.48	0.07
243	Unsafe Practice	344	4.46	0.04	799	4.60	0.02	223	4.35	0.05

Table 8. Knowledge Statement Importance Ratings

Survey Position #	Knowledge of:	Newly Licensed RN			RN Educator			RN Supervisor		
		N	Avg.	Std. Err.	N	Avg.	Std. Err.	N	Avg.	Std. Err.
244	Urinary Catheter Care	343	4.29	0.04	800	4.10	0.03	222	4.00	0.06
245	Urinary Catheter Insertion Technique	344	4.35	0.04	797	4.18	0.03	222	4.08	0.06
246	Vaccinations	344	3.93	0.05	798	3.70	0.03	223	3.54	0.07
247	Venous Access Devices	344	4.14	0.04	800	3.83	0.03	222	3.79	0.06
248	Venous Thromboembolism Prophylaxis	343	4.37	0.04	801	4.05	0.03	223	3.90	0.06
249	Ventilator Management Techniques	344	3.90	0.06	800	3.15	0.04	221	3.12	0.08
250	Vital Signs	343	4.72	0.03	800	4.71	0.02	220	4.58	0.04
251	Vulnerable Populations	340	3.65	0.05	797	3.83	0.03	223	3.48	0.07
252	Wound Assessment	343	4.31	0.04	801	4.16	0.03	223	4.13	0.05
253	Wound Care	342	4.28	0.04	801	4.04	0.03	223	4.05	0.06

Knowledge Statement Subgroup Analysis

Primary Job Title

The average knowledge statement importance ratings of Newly Licensed RNs, RN Educators, and RN Supervisors were cross-analyzed for meaningful differences between these job titles. Appendix H presents a table with each knowledge statement’s average value for each primary job title. The least important knowledge statement for Newly Licensed RNs was “body mass index (BMI),” with an average value of 2.85. RN Educators and RN Supervisors rated “phototherapy” the lowest with an average value of 2.87 and 2.54, respectively. The most important knowledge statement for Newly Licensed RNs was “airway management” with an average value of 4.79. RN Educators rated “medication error prevention” the highest with an average value of 4.85. For RN Supervisors, “client confidentiality” was the most important with an average rating of 4.66. In general, there were few differences in importance ratings based on job title.

Facility

The average importance ratings of the knowledge statements of responders from hospitals, long-term care, community-based facility, and other facilities

were cross-analyzed for meaningful differences. Responders answering all four types of facility rated “phototherapy” as the least important knowledge statement, with average values of 2.80, 2.72, 2.95, and 2.99, respectively. The most important knowledge statement for responders working in hospitals, community-based facilities, and “other” facilities was “medication error prevention,” with average values of 4.80, 4.74, and 4.85, respectively. Individuals working in long-term care facilities rated “airway management” highest with an average value of 4.69. Average importance values for all knowledge statements by facilities are listed in Appendix I.

Summary

Responders to the 2014 Knowledge of Newly Licensed RNs Survey found the statements listed in the survey to be representative of the knowledge necessary for safe and effective professional practice of newly licensed RNs. There were similar importance ratings of the knowledge statements for Newly Licensed RNs, RN Educators, RN Supervisors and SMEs.

CONCLUSIONS

Based on the reliability of the knowledge statement instrument; the survey of the nonresponders; the validation of the knowledge statement importance ratings by SMEs; and the similarity of knowledge statement importance ratings by Newly Licensed RNs, RN Educators and RN Supervisors; the results of this survey can be used to inform item development.

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APPENDIX A: 2014 KNOWLEDGE SURVEY METHODOLOGY REVIEWERS

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Yongwei Yang, PhD, is a principal researcher, Methodology and Predictive Analytics, Gallup, Inc. His works in Gallup involves managing and conducting research. This includes designing and implementing research-based organizational interventions as well as evaluating the business impact of such interventions. It also includes leading the development of testing and survey tools that are business relevant and psychometrically sound. His research interests include valid and defensible use of testing and survey outcomes, testing and surveys in multi-country, multi-cultural, and multi-lingual settings, analytics and modeling for complex organizational issues (recruiting, hiring, performance management, well-being, retention, etc.), improvements to measurement through improving items and questionnaire designs, administration procedures, and scoring or information extraction methods, and applications of technology-enhanced assessments. Dr. Yang has published in journals such as *Social Science Computer Review*, *International Journal of Social Research Methodology*, *Journal of Cross-Cultural Psychology*, *Journal of Applied Testing Technology*, *International Journal of Testing*, and *Applied Measurement in Education*.

APPENDIX B: SUBJECT MATTER EXPERT PANEL FOR THE 2014 KNOWLEDGE OF NEWLY LICENSED RNS SURVEY

Area I

Member: Rebekah Herndon, BSN, RN
Board: Washington State Nursing Care Quality Assurance Commission
Specialty: Critical Care/Medical-Surgical

Herndon has 4 years of nursing experience and is currently a staff nurse at Pullman Regional Hospital. She is working in two departments, the ICU and Medical-Surgical and frequently works side by side new graduate nurses in these units.

Member: Florida Imperial-Perez, MSN, RN
Board: California Board of Registered Nursing
Specialty: Pediatrics

Imperial-Perez has 36 years of nursing experience and is employed as a Clinical Manager in a Pediatrics Cardiothoracic ICU at the Children's Hospital Los Angeles. She serves as a mentor and content expert to new graduate RNs and supports them during the unit-based orientation process.

Area II

Member: Monica Arnold, BSN, RN
Board: West Virginia Board of Examiners for Registered Professional Nurses
Specialty: Trauma Nursing

Arnold has 26 years of nursing experience and is currently a staff nurse on a Level I trauma unit at the Charleston Area Medical Center. In this role, she precepts entry level graduate nurses during their orientation process.

Member: Marny Carlson, MS, RN-BC
Board: Minnesota Board of Nursing
Specialty: Geriatrics

Carlson has 20 years of nursing experience and is a Nursing Education Specialist at Mayo Clinic Rochester. In this role, she teaches, mentors and supervises newly licensed registered nurses in a general medical/acute care setting. She also is responsible for building and teaching in the institution's Nurse Residency Program for graduate nurses.

Area III

- Member:** Elena Hanabarger, MS, BSN, RN-BC
Board: Florida Board of Nursing
Specialty: Medical-Surgical Nursing/ Academia/Nurse Residency Program

Hanabarger has 16 years of nursing experience and is currently an Intern Development Specialist at Lee Memorial Health System. She is responsible for assisting new graduate nurses in their transition from academia into professional practice.

- Member:** Jessica Lennon, BSN, RNC-OB, C-EFM
Board: Virginia Board of Nursing
Specialty: OBGYN/Women's Health

Lennon has 11 years of nursing experience and is employed as a staff nurse at Bon Secours St. Mary's Hospital in the Labor and Delivery unit. She serves as a preceptor for new graduate nurses during their orientation and then acts as a mentor once the orientation is completed.

- Member:** Katherine Myer, RN, BSN
Board: Georgia Board of Nursing
Specialty: Pediatrics

Myer is a newly licensed nurse having obtained her license in June 2013. She is currently employed by the Southeast Georgia Health System and working on a pediatric floor.

Area IV

- Member:** Lisa Webster, RN
Board: Virgin Islands Board of Nurse Licensure
Specialty: Critical Care/ICU

Webster has 14 years of nursing experience and currently is a staff nurse in a critical care unit at Schneider Regional Medical Center. She often is assigned as a preceptor for new graduate nurses and is a support system to new nurses as they assume their professional roles.

SECTION 1: KNOWLEDGE STATEMENTS

This section contains a list of knowledge statements applicable to nursing practice in a variety of settings. For each knowledge statement, please mark the degree of importance, whether or not it applies to your practice setting. For each knowledge statement, one question is asked:

Question - Importance:

How important is the possession of this knowledge by a newly licensed RN for safe and effective professional practice, regardless of specific practice setting?

- 1 = Not Important
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- 3 = Moderately Important
- 4 = Important
- 5 = Critically Important

IMPORTANCE

	1 Not Important	2 Minimally Important	3 Moderately Important	4 Important	5 Critically Important
1. abnormal test results	1	2	3	4	5
2. activities of daily living (ADL)	1	2	3	4	5
3. advance directives	1	2	3	4	5
4. adverse reactions	1	2	3	4	5
5. airway management	1	2	3	4	5
6. allergic reactions interventions	1	2	3	4	5
7. allergies	1	2	3	4	5
8. allowable activities for interprofessional team members	1	2	3	4	5
9. alternatives to restraints	1	2	3	4	5
10. anatomy and physiology	1	2	3	4	5
11. antepartum	1	2	3	4	5
12. arterial blood gas	1	2	3	4	5
13. arterial line monitoring	1	2	3	4	5
14. aseptic technique	1	2	3	4	5
15. aspiration precautions	1	2	3	4	5
16. assessment tools	1	2	3	4	5
17. assistive devices	1	2	3	4	5
18. awareness of professional limitations	1	2	3	4	5
19. barriers to client care	1	2	3	4	5
20. barriers to learning	1	2	3	4	5
21. basic cardiac rhythms	1	2	3	4	5
22. behavioral health issues	1	2	3	4	5
23. behavioral management techniques	1	2	3	4	5
24. biohazardous material	1	2	3	4	5
25. blood product administration	1	2	3	4	5
26. blood specimen collection techniques	1	2	3	4	5
27. body image	1	2	3	4	5
28. body mass index (BMI)	1	2	3	4	5
29. body mechanics	1	2	3	4	5
30. calculation and conversions	1	2	3	4	5
31. caregiver resources	1	2	3	4	5
32. catheter maintenance care	1	2	3	4	5
33. changes in client condition	1	2	3	4	5
34. circulation devices	1	2	3	4	5
35. circulation movement and sensation assessment	1	2	3	4	5
36. client activity orders	1	2	3	4	5
37. client admission, transfer or discharge	1	2	3	4	5
38. client advocacy	1	2	3	4	5
39. client assessment	1	2	3	4	5
40. client care for adolescent	1	2	3	4	5
41. client care for adults	1	2	3	4	5
42. client care for infant	1	2	3	4	5
43. client care for newborn	1	2	3	4	5
44. client care for older adults	1	2	3	4	5

SECTION 1: KNOWLEDGE STATEMENTS *(continued)*

Question - Importance:
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KNOWLEDGE OF:

	IMPORTANCE				
	1 Not Important	2 Minimally Important	3 Moderately Important	4 Important	5 Critically Important
45. client care for preschool aged child	1	2	3	4	5
46. client care for school aged child	1	2	3	4	5
47. client care for toddler	1	2	3	4	5
48. client centered care	1	2	3	4	5
49. client comfort	1	2	3	4	5
50. client confidentiality	1	2	3	4	5
51. client consent	1	2	3	4	5
52. client coping mechanisms	1	2	3	4	5
53. client dignity	1	2	3	4	5
54. client education	1	2	3	4	5
55. client environment of care	1	2	3	4	5
56. client handoff process	1	2	3	4	5
57. client health history	1	2	3	4	5
58. client identification	1	2	3	4	5
59. client needs assessment	1	2	3	4	5
60. client plan of care	1	2	3	4	5
61. client positioning and mobilization techniques	1	2	3	4	5
62. client privacy	1	2	3	4	5
63. client response to plan of care	1	2	3	4	5
64. client rights and responsibilities	1	2	3	4	5
65. client risk assessment	1	2	3	4	5
66. client safety	1	2	3	4	5
67. client self determination	1	2	3	4	5
68. client sleep and rest requirements	1	2	3	4	5
69. client surveillance	1	2	3	4	5
70. client's health knowledge	1	2	3	4	5
71. communicable diseases	1	2	3	4	5
72. communication barriers	1	2	3	4	5
73. communication strategies	1	2	3	4	5
74. community health considerations	1	2	3	4	5
75. community resources	1	2	3	4	5
76. complementary therapies	1	2	3	4	5
77. complications of labor	1	2	3	4	5
78. comprehensive health assessment	1	2	3	4	5
79. comprehensive health history	1	2	3	4	5
80. conflict management and resolution	1	2	3	4	5
81. controlled substances	1	2	3	4	5
82. coordination of client care	1	2	3	4	5
83. coping skills	1	2	3	4	5
84. coping strategies	1	2	3	4	5
85. cost effective care	1	2	3	4	5
86. cultural awareness	1	2	3	4	5
87. cultural diversity	1	2	3	4	5
88. cultural factors affecting care	1	2	3	4	5
89. death and dying	1	2	3	4	5
90. de-escalation techniques	1	2	3	4	5

SECTION 1: KNOWLEDGE STATEMENTS *(continued)*

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KNOWLEDGE OF:

	IMPORTANCE				
	1 Not Important	2 Minimally Important	3 Moderately Important	4 Important	5 Critically Important
91. developmental stages and milestones	1	2	3	4	5
92. device assessment	1	2	3	4	5
93. diagnostic tests and procedures	1	2	3	4	5
94. discharge planning	1	2	3	4	5
95. disease prevention and treatment techniques	1	2	3	4	5
96. disease process	1	2	3	4	5
97. documentation process	1	2	3	4	5
98. drainage device care	1	2	3	4	5
99. dressing changes	1	2	3	4	5
100. dressing types	1	2	3	4	5
101. drug and medication withdrawal care	1	2	3	4	5
102. early client mobilization	1	2	3	4	5
103. emergency care procedures	1	2	3	4	5
104. emergency response plans	1	2	3	4	5
105. emergency response roles and responsibilities	1	2	3	4	5
106. enteral feeding tubes	1	2	3	4	5
107. equipment safety	1	2	3	4	5
108. ethical principles	1	2	3	4	5
109. evidence-based practice	1	2	3	4	5
110. family dynamics	1	2	3	4	5
111. fistula care	1	2	3	4	5
112. fluid and electrolytes	1	2	3	4	5
113. focused assessment	1	2	3	4	5
114. grieving process	1	2	3	4	5
115. handoff communication	1	2	3	4	5
116. hazardous material	1	2	3	4	5
117. hazardous material handling	1	2	3	4	5
118. health promotion behaviors	1	2	3	4	5
119. hemodialysis care	1	2	3	4	5
120. hemodynamics	1	2	3	4	5
121. high risk behaviors	1	2	3	4	5
122. incident and error reporting	1	2	3	4	5
123. incontinence care	1	2	3	4	5
124. infection control	1	2	3	4	5
125. information resources	1	2	3	4	5
126. infusion delivery devices	1	2	3	4	5
127. infusion device complications	1	2	3	4	5
128. intake and output	1	2	3	4	5
129. invasive line care	1	2	3	4	5
130. irrigation techniques	1	2	3	4	5
131. isolation techniques	1	2	3	4	5
132. labor	1	2	3	4	5
133. life transitions	1	2	3	4	5
134. Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS)	1	2	3	4	5
135. medical equipment	1	2	3	4	5
136. medical terminology	1	2	3	4	5

SECTION 2: WORK ENVIRONMENT *(continued)*

INSTRUCTIONS FOR NEWLY LICENSED RNS: Choose the following clinical setting or practice area that most accurately describes where you work.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR NURSE EDUCATORS: Choose the following clinical setting or practice area that most accurately describes where you supervise your students.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR NURSE SUPERVISORS/DIRECTORS: Choose the following clinical setting that most accurately describes the general population you supervise and/or the unit on which you work.

2. Which of the following **best** describes the ages of **most** of your clients on the last day you worked? (Select ALL that apply)

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|--|---|---|
| <input type="radio"/> Newborn (less than 1 month) | <input type="radio"/> School Age (ages 6-12) | <input type="radio"/> Adult (ages 65-85) |
| <input type="radio"/> Infant/toddler (1 month-2 years) | <input type="radio"/> Adolescent (ages 13-17) | <input type="radio"/> Adult (over age 85) |
| <input type="radio"/> Preschool (ages 3-5) | <input type="radio"/> Adult (ages 18-64) | |

3. Which of the following choices **best** describes your employment setting/specialty area? If you work mainly in one setting, fill in the appropriate oval for that one setting. If you work in more than one setting, fill in the appropriate oval for all the settings where you spend at least one-half of your time. (Select no more than TWO answers)

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|---|---|
| <input type="radio"/> Critical care (e.g., ICU, CCU, step-down units, pediatric/neonatal intensive care, emergency department, post-anesthesia recovery unit) | <input type="radio"/> Rehabilitation |
| <input type="radio"/> Medical-surgical unit or any of its sub-specialties (e.g., oncology, orthopedics, neurology) | <input type="radio"/> Subacute unit |
| <input type="radio"/> Pediatrics | <input type="radio"/> Transitional care unit |
| <input type="radio"/> Nursery | <input type="radio"/> Physician/Advanced Practice RN/Nurse Practitioner (NP)/Dentist's office |
| <input type="radio"/> Labor and delivery | <input type="radio"/> Occupational health |
| <input type="radio"/> Postpartum unit | <input type="radio"/> Outpatient clinic |
| <input type="radio"/> Psychiatric or any of its sub-specialties (e.g., detox) | <input type="radio"/> Home health, including visiting nurses associations |
| <input type="radio"/> Assisted living | <input type="radio"/> Public health |
| <input type="radio"/> Operating room, including outpatient surgery and surgicenters | <input type="radio"/> Student/school health |
| <input type="radio"/> Nursing home, skilled or intermediate care | <input type="radio"/> Hospice care |
| <input type="radio"/> Other long term care (e.g., residential care, developmental disability) | <input type="radio"/> Prison/Correctional Facility/jail |
| | <input type="radio"/> Short Stay/Observational |
| | <input type="radio"/> Step-down/Progressive Care |
| | <input type="radio"/> Other, please specify: _____ |

4. Which of the following **best** describes the type of facility/organization where your employment setting/specialty area is located? (Select only ONE)

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|---|--|--|
| <input type="radio"/> Hospital | <input type="radio"/> Community-based or ambulatory care facility/organization (including public health department, visiting nurses association, home health, physician/Advanced Practice RN/Nurse Practitioner (NP)/Dentist's office, clinic, school, prison, etc.) | <input type="radio"/> Other, please specify: _____ |
| <input type="radio"/> Long-term care facility | | |

SECTION 3: DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

1. What is your gender?

- Male
 Female

2. What is your age in years? _____

3. Which of the following is **most descriptive** of your racial/ethnic background. (Select ONE answer)

- | | |
|--|--|
| <input type="radio"/> African American | <input type="radio"/> Native American |
| <input type="radio"/> Asian Indian | <input type="radio"/> Pacific Islander |
| <input type="radio"/> Asian Other | <input type="radio"/> White - not of Hispanic origin |
| <input type="radio"/> Hispanic | <input type="radio"/> Other |

4. What is your primary language?

- English
 English and another language
 Another language

5. What is the highest degree completed that led to your current position?

- RN - Diploma in U.S.
 RN - Associate degree in U.S.
 RN - Baccalaureate degree in U.S.
 RN - Generic master's degree in U.S.
 RN - Master's (Nurse Practitioner)
 RN - Master's (Clinical Nurse Specialist)
 RN - Master's (Nurse Midwife)
 RN - Master's (CRNA)
 RN - Generic Doctorate in U.S. (e.g., ND or PhD)
 RN - Nursing Doctorate in U.S. (e.g., DNP)
 Any nursing program NOT located in the U.S.
 In progress to complete generic master's
 Other program, please specify: _____

SECTION 4: COMMENTS

If we need additional information in order to clarify the results of this study, we may call and/or e-mail some participants. If you would be willing to answer a few additional questions by phone or e-mail, please provide an email address and number where you can be reached during the day or early evening.

Name: _____ Telephone: () - _____

E-mail Address: _____

You may write any comments or suggestions that you have in the space below.

After you complete this form, please return it in the enclosed postage-paid envelope.

Thank you for participating in this important work!

APPENDIX D: SUBJECT MATTER EXPERT (SME) KNOWLEDGE STATEMENT RATINGS RANK ORDERED BY AVERAGE IMPORTANCE

Preface: How important is this knowledge by a newly licensed RN for safe and effective professional practice regardless of specific practice setting?

SME Knowledge Statement Ratings Rank Ordered by Average Importance*				
Survey Position #	Knowledge Statements	SME Ratings		
		N	Avg.	Std. Err.
173	Phototherapy	8	2.25	0.31
119	Hemodialysis Care	8	2.50	0.38
170	Peritoneal Dialysis Care	8	2.50	0.38
150	New Parent Education	8	2.63	0.42
28	Body Mass Index (BMI)	8	2.75	0.25
199	Renal Replacement Therapy	8	2.75	0.41
31	Caregiver Resources	8	2.88	0.23
111	Fistula Care	8	2.88	0.30
132	Labor	8	2.88	0.35
160	Orthopedic Devices	8	2.88	0.40
177	Post Mortem Care	8	2.88	0.30
11	Antepartum	8	3.00	0.27
13	Arterial Line Monitoring	8	3.00	0.38
27	Body Image	8	3.00	0.27
77	Complications of Labor	8	3.00	0.38
134	Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS)	8	3.00	0.38
151	Newborn Assessment	8	3.00	0.38
163	Pacing Devices	8	3.00	0.42
176	Population Specific Health Risks	8	3.00	0.33
181	Prenatal Care	8	3.00	0.38
40	Client Care for Adolescent	8	3.13	0.30
74	Community Health Considerations	8	3.13	0.40
133	Life Transitions	8	3.13	0.23
148	Moderate Sedation	8	3.13	0.52
149	Modifiable And Non-Modifiable Risk Factors	8	3.13	0.23
220	Stages Of Pregnancy	8	3.13	0.35
249	Ventilator Management Techniques	8	3.13	0.61
12	Arterial Blood Gas	8	3.25	0.31
22	Behavioral Health Issues	8	3.25	0.16
92	Device Assessment	8	3.25	0.49
159	Occupational Factors Affecting Care	8	3.25	0.31
174	Physical Stressors	8	3.25	0.25
179	Post-Partum Care	8	3.25	0.49
23	Behavioral Management Techniques	8	3.38	0.26
75	Community Resources	8	3.38	0.38
91	Developmental Stages and Milestones	8	3.38	0.38

SME Knowledge Statement Ratings Rank Ordered by Average Importance*				
Survey Position #	Knowledge Statements	SME Ratings		
		N	Avg.	Std. Err.
98	Drainage Device Care	8	3.38	0.38
110	Family Dynamics	8	3.38	0.26
130	Irrigation Techniques	8	3.38	0.38
157	Nutritional Assessment	8	3.38	0.38
161	Ostomy Care	8	3.38	0.26
183	Pressure Relieving Support Surfaces	8	3.38	0.26
192	Psychological Stressors	8	3.38	0.26
206	Security Plans	8	3.38	0.38
217	Spiritual Factors Affecting Care	8	3.38	0.26
238	Tracheostomy Care	8	3.38	0.42
2	Activities Of Daily Living (ADL)	8	3.50	0.27
17	Assistive Devices	8	3.50	0.19
20	Barriers to Learning	8	3.50	0.27
21	Basic Cardiac Rhythms	8	3.50	0.27
37	Client Admission, Transfer or Discharge	8	3.50	0.38
42	Client Care for Infant	8	3.50	0.27
43	Client Care for Newborn	8	3.50	0.27
45	Client Care for Preschool Aged Child	8	3.50	0.27
46	Client Care for School Aged Child	8	3.50	0.27
47	Client Care for Toddler	8	3.50	0.27
61	Client Positioning and Mobilization Techniques	8	3.50	0.19
68	Client Sleep and Rest Requirements	8	3.50	0.27
70	Client'S Health Knowledge	8	3.50	0.27
90	De-Escalation Techniques	8	3.50	0.33
100	Dressing Types	8	3.50	0.42
106	Enteral Feeding Tubes	8	3.50	0.38
114	Grieving Process	8	3.50	0.27
125	Information Resources	8	3.50	0.42
127	Infusion Device Complications	8	3.50	0.50
135	Medical Equipment	8	3.50	0.38
166	Palliative Care	8	3.50	0.27
185	Principles of Leadership	8	3.50	0.38
194	Psychosocial Factors Affecting Care	8	3.50	0.33
219	Stages of Death And Dying	8	3.50	0.27
224	Substance Abuse	8	3.50	0.33
234	Thermoregulation Techniques	8	3.50	0.33
246	Vaccinations	8	3.50	0.33
251	Vulnerable Populations	8	3.50	0.33
19	Barriers to Client Care	8	3.63	0.26
34	Circulation Devices	8	3.63	0.32
52	Client Coping Mechanisms	8	3.63	0.32

SME Knowledge Statement Ratings Rank Ordered by Average Importance*				
Survey Position #	Knowledge Statements	SME Ratings		
		N	Avg.	Std. Err.
99	Dressing Changes	8	3.63	0.32
105	Emergency Response Roles and Responsibilities	8	3.63	0.46
118	Health Promotion Behaviors	8	3.63	0.18
121	High Risk Behaviors	8	3.63	0.32
126	Infusion Delivery Devices	8	3.63	0.42
153	Nonprescribed Drugs	8	3.63	0.46
168	Performance Improvement/Quality Improvement Process	8	3.63	0.18
182	Preoperative Care	8	3.63	0.18
191	Promotion of Circulation Techniques	8	3.63	0.32
195	Pulmonary Hygiene Techniques	8	3.63	0.26
202	Restraints	8	3.63	0.42
204	Screening Assessments	8	3.63	0.32
205	Screening Tools	8	3.63	0.32
237	Total Parenteral Nutrition (TPN) Administration	8	3.63	0.38
240	Tube Feedings	8	3.63	0.38
241	Tube Insertion Techniques	8	3.63	0.42
3	Advance Directives	8	3.75	0.31
9	Alternatives to Restraints	8	3.75	0.25
36	Client Activity Orders	8	3.75	0.31
55	Client Environment of Care	8	3.75	0.16
67	Client Self Determination	8	3.75	0.31
69	Client Surveillance	8	3.75	0.31
72	Communication Barriers	8	3.75	0.16
76	Complementary Therapies	8	3.75	0.25
84	Coping Strategies	8	3.75	0.31
88	Cultural Factors Affecting Care	8	3.75	0.31
102	Early Client Mobilization	8	3.75	0.31
104	Emergency Response Plans	8	3.75	0.49
123	Incontinence Care	8	3.75	0.25
137	Medication Abuse	8	3.75	0.31
190	Professional Resources	8	3.75	0.31
193	Psychological/Psychosocial Assessment	8	3.75	0.25
209	Signs And Symptoms of Chemical Dependencies	8	3.75	0.37
226	Suicide Precautions	8	3.75	0.41
229	Teaching and Learning Strategies	8	3.75	0.37
233	Therapeutic Interventions	8	3.75	0.31
239	Treatments and Procedures	8	3.75	0.45
242	Tube Removal Techniques	8	3.75	0.37
8	Allowable Activities for Interprofessional Team Members	8	3.88	0.23
24	Biohazardous Material	8	3.88	0.23
26	Blood Specimen Collection Techniques	8	3.88	0.23

SME Knowledge Statement Ratings Rank Ordered by Average Importance*				
Survey Position #	Knowledge Statements	SME Ratings		
		N	Avg.	Std. Err.
29	Body Mechanics	8	3.88	0.13
57	Client Health History	8	3.88	0.30
59	Client Needs Assessment	8	3.88	0.30
71	Communicable Diseases	8	3.88	0.35
87	Cultural Diversity	8	3.88	0.23
93	Diagnostic Tests and Procedures	8	3.88	0.35
94	Discharge Planning	8	3.88	0.30
116	Hazardous Material	8	3.88	0.35
117	Hazardous Material Handling	8	3.88	0.35
146	Medication Storage	8	3.88	0.35
152	Nonpharmacological Comfort Measures	8	3.88	0.35
154	Nonverbal Cues	8	3.88	0.23
169	Peripheral Intravenous Line Insertion Techniques	8	3.88	0.30
197	Reference Materials	8	3.88	0.40
198	Regulatory Guidelines and Standards	8	3.88	0.30
208	Setting Limits	8	3.88	0.30
210	Site Assessment	8	3.88	0.35
214	Skin Preparation	8	3.88	0.35
215	Specimen Collection	8	3.88	0.30
225	Suctioning Techniques	8	3.88	0.30
227	Supervision Of Assistive Personnel	8	3.88	0.30
228	Symptoms Of Abuse and Neglect	8	3.88	0.30
232	Therapeutic Environment	8	3.88	0.23
236	Tissue Perfusion	8	3.88	0.30
245	Urinary Catheter Insertion Technique	8	3.88	0.44
248	Venous Thromboembolism Prophylaxis	8	3.88	0.30
30	Calculation And Conversions	8	4.00	0.42
32	Catheter Maintenance Care	8	4.00	0.27
73	Communication Strategies	8	4.00	0.19
79	Comprehensive Health History	8	4.00	0.19
80	Conflict Management And Resolution	8	4.00	0.27
82	Coordination of Client Care	8	4.00	0.33
83	Coping Skills	8	4.00	0.19
86	Cultural Awareness	8	4.00	0.19
97	Documentation Process	8	4.00	0.38
101	Drug And Medication Withdrawal Care	8	4.00	0.33
122	Incident And Error Reporting	8	4.00	0.27
184	Principles of Delegation And Assignment	8	4.00	0.27
207	Seizure Protocols	8	4.00	0.38
211	Site Selection	8	4.00	0.33
231	Therapeutic Effects	8	4.00	0.33

SME Knowledge Statement Ratings Rank Ordered by Average Importance*				
Survey Position #	Knowledge Statements	SME Ratings		
		N	Avg.	Std. Err.
244	Urinary Catheter Care	8	4.00	0.33
247	Venous Access Devices	8	4.00	0.33
38	Client Advocacy	8	4.13	0.23
63	Client Response to Plan Of Care	8	4.13	0.13
65	Client Risk Assessment	8	4.13	0.30
85	Cost Effective Care	8	4.13	0.23
89	Death And Dying	8	4.13	0.13
95	Disease Prevention and Treatment Techniques	8	4.13	0.30
107	Equipment Safety	8	4.13	0.30
128	Intake and Output	8	4.13	0.23
172	Pharmacologic Comfort Measures	8	4.13	0.30
175	Plan of Care	8	4.13	0.23
178	Postoperative Care	8	4.13	0.23
187	Procedure and Treatment Complications	8	4.13	0.23
196	Reduction of Client Risk	8	4.13	0.23
200	Reporting Process/Chain of Command	8	4.13	0.23
201	Reporting Requirements for Client Conditions	8	4.13	0.30
213	Skin Care	8	4.13	0.23
216	Specimen Handling	8	4.13	0.30
44	Client Care for Older Adults	8	4.25	0.25
56	Client Handoff Process	8	4.25	0.25
60	Client Plan of Care	8	4.25	0.16
96	Disease Process	8	4.25	0.37
108	Ethical Principles	8	4.25	0.25
115	Handoff Communication	8	4.25	0.31
120	Hemodynamics	8	4.25	0.37
129	Invasive Line Care	8	4.25	0.37
131	Isolation Techniques	8	4.25	0.37
145	Medication Side Effects	8	4.25	0.25
162	Oxygen Delivery Systems	8	4.25	0.16
212	Skin Assessment	8	4.25	0.16
218	Staff Safety	8	4.25	0.16
243	Unsafe Practice	8	4.25	0.25
252	Wound Assessment	8	4.25	0.25
253	Wound Care	8	4.25	0.16
7	Allergies	8	4.38	0.26
16	Assessment Tools	8	4.38	0.18
41	Client Care for Adults	8	4.38	0.26
48	Client Centered Care	8	4.38	0.26
49	Client Comfort	8	4.38	0.18
62	Client Privacy	8	4.38	0.38

SME Knowledge Statement Ratings Rank Ordered by Average Importance*				
Survey Position #	Knowledge Statements	SME Ratings		
		N	Avg.	Std. Err.
64	Client Rights and Responsibilities	8	4.38	0.26
78	Comprehensive Health Assessment	8	4.38	0.18
81	Controlled Substances	8	4.38	0.18
109	Evidence-Based Practice	8	4.38	0.26
112	Fluid and Electrolytes	8	4.38	0.26
113	Focused Assessment	8	4.38	0.26
136	Medical Terminology	8	4.38	0.18
158	Obtaining Orders	8	4.38	0.18
180	Practice Errors	8	4.38	0.26
186	Prioritization of Care	8	4.38	0.18
188	Professional Communication	8	4.38	0.18
189	Professional Competency	8	4.38	0.18
222	Standards of Care	8	4.38	0.26
230	Therapeutic Communication	8	4.38	0.26
4	Adverse Reactions	8	4.50	0.19
15	Aspiration Precautions	8	4.50	0.19
25	Blood Product Administration	8	4.50	0.27
39	Client Assessment	8	4.50	0.27
53	Client Dignity	8	4.50	0.19
124	Infection Control	8	4.50	0.19
138	Medication Administration Activities	8	4.50	0.19
139	Medication Calculations	8	4.50	0.38
141	Medication Interactions	8	4.50	0.19
142	Medication Orders	8	4.50	0.19
143	Medication Reconciliation	8	4.50	0.19
147	Medications	8	4.50	0.19
155	Nurse Self Awareness	8	4.50	0.19
156	Nursing Process	8	4.50	0.19
167	Pathophysiology	8	4.50	0.38
171	Personal Protective Equipment	8	4.50	0.27
203	Scope of Practice	8	4.50	0.27
223	Sterile Technique	8	4.50	0.27
235	Time Management	8	4.50	0.27
10	Anatomy and Physiology	8	4.63	0.18
14	Aseptic Technique	8	4.63	0.18
35	Circulation Movement And Sensation Assessment	8	4.63	0.18
54	Client Education	8	4.63	0.18
66	Client Safety	8	4.63	0.18
103	Emergency Care Procedures	8	4.63	0.38
144	Medication Safety	8	4.63	0.18
164	Pain Assessment	8	4.63	0.18
165	Pain Management	8	4.63	0.18

SME Knowledge Statement Ratings Rank Ordered by Average Importance*

Survey Position #	Knowledge Statements	SME Ratings		
		N	Avg.	Std. Err.
221	Standard Precautions	8	4.63	0.26
1	Abnormal Test Results	8	4.75	0.16
5	Airway Management	8	4.75	0.16
6	Allergic Reactions Interventions	8	4.75	0.16
33	Changes in Client Condition	8	4.75	0.16
51	Client Consent	8	4.75	0.16
58	Client Identification	8	4.75	0.16
18	Awareness of Professional Limitations	8	4.88	0.13
50	Client Confidentiality	8	4.88	0.13
140	Medication Error Prevention	8	4.88	0.13
250	Vital Signs	8	4.88	0.13

*Activities are rank ordered from least to most important.

APPENDIX E: NEWLY LICENSED REGISTERED NURSE (RN) AND SUBJECT MATTER EXPERT (SME) KNOWLEDGE STATEMENT RATINGS RANK ORDERED BY NEWLY LICENSED RN AVERAGE IMPORTANCE

Preface: How important is this knowledge by a newly licensed RN for safe and effective professional practice regardless of specific practice setting?

Newly Licensed RN and SME Knowledge Statement Ratings Rank Ordered by Newly Licensed RN Average Importance								
Survey Position #	Knowledge Statement	Newly Licensed RNs			SME Ratings			Avg. Difference
		N	Avg.	Std. Err.	N	Avg.	Std. Err.	
28	Body Mass Index (BMI)	341	2.85	0.06	8	2.75	0.25	0.10
27	Body Image	339	2.96	0.05	8	3.00	0.27	-0.04
173	Phototherapy	342	3.00	0.06	8	2.25	0.31	0.75
11	Antepartum	335	3.13	0.07	8	3.00	0.27	0.13
91	Developmental Stages and Milestones	342	3.23	0.06	8	3.38	0.38	-0.15
133	Life Transitions	341	3.30	0.05	8	3.13	0.23	0.17
160	Orthopedic Devices	344	3.34	0.06	8	2.88	0.40	0.46
76	Complementary Therapies	340	3.34	0.06	8	3.75	0.25	-0.41
177	Post Mortem Care	342	3.36	0.06	8	2.88	0.30	0.48
134	Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS)	342	3.38	0.06	8	3.00	0.38	0.38
217	Spiritual Factors Affecting Care	344	3.39	0.05	8	3.38	0.26	0.01
220	Stages of Pregnancy	342	3.41	0.06	8	3.13	0.35	0.28
92	Device Assessment	342	3.41	0.05	8	3.25	0.49	0.16
132	Labor	340	3.42	0.07	8	2.88	0.35	0.54
17	Assistive Devices	340	3.45	0.05	8	3.50	0.19	-0.05
150	New Parent Education	343	3.45	0.07	8	2.63	0.42	0.82
31	Caregiver Resources	340	3.45	0.05	8	2.88	0.23	0.57
110	Family Dynamics	340	3.47	0.05	8	3.38	0.26	0.09
75	Community Resources	339	3.47	0.05	8	3.38	0.38	0.09
74	Community Health Considerations	338	3.49	0.05	8	3.13	0.40	0.36
176	Population Specific Health Risks	344	3.49	0.05	8	3.00	0.33	0.49
181	Prenatal Care	344	3.49	0.06	8	3.00	0.38	0.49
170	Peritoneal Dialysis Care	343	3.50	0.06	8	2.50	0.38	1.00
45	Client Care for Preschool Aged Child	341	3.50	0.07	8	3.50	0.27	0.00
159	Occupational Factors Affecting Care	344	3.50	0.05	8	3.25	0.31	0.25
46	Client Care for School Aged Child	342	3.51	0.06	8	3.50	0.27	0.01
47	Client Care for Toddler	340	3.52	0.06	8	3.50	0.27	0.02
174	Physical Stressors	342	3.52	0.05	8	3.25	0.25	0.27
9	Alternatives to Restraints	338	3.52	0.05	8	3.75	0.25	-0.23
206	Security Plans	341	3.53	0.06	8	3.38	0.38	0.15
111	Fistula Care	342	3.54	0.06	8	2.88	0.30	0.66
36	Client Activity Orders	340	3.54	0.05	8	3.75	0.31	-0.21
85	Cost Effective Care	340	3.55	0.05	8	4.13	0.23	-0.58
8	Allowable Activities for Interprofessional Team Members	338	3.55	0.05	8	3.88	0.23	-0.33
23	Behavioral Management Techniques	340	3.56	0.05	8	3.38	0.26	0.18

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Survey Position #	Knowledge Statement	Newly Licensed RNs			SME Ratings			Avg. Difference
		N	Avg.	Std. Err.	N	Avg.	Std. Err.	
114	Grieving Process	341	3.58	0.05	8	3.50	0.27	0.08
219	Stages of Death and Dying	344	3.58	0.05	8	3.50	0.27	0.08
197	Reference Materials	344	3.59	0.05	8	3.88	0.40	-0.29
199	Renal Replacement Therapy	342	3.59	0.06	8	2.75	0.41	0.84
179	Post-Partum Care	344	3.59	0.07	8	3.25	0.49	0.34
22	Behavioral Health Issues	339	3.60	0.05	8	3.25	0.16	0.35
125	Information Resources	342	3.60	0.05	8	3.50	0.42	0.10
2	Activities Of Daily Living (ADL)	341	3.62	0.05	8	3.50	0.27	0.12
19	Barriers to Client Care	338	3.62	0.05	8	3.63	0.26	-0.01
119	Hemodialysis Care	339	3.63	0.06	8	2.50	0.38	1.13
149	Modifiable and Non-Modifiable Risk Factors	343	3.64	0.05	8	3.13	0.23	0.51
202	Restraints	343	3.64	0.06	8	3.63	0.42	0.01
42	Client Care for Infant	340	3.64	0.07	8	3.50	0.27	0.14
20	Barriers to Learning	338	3.65	0.05	8	3.50	0.27	0.15
69	Client Surveillance	339	3.65	0.05	8	3.75	0.31	-0.10
251	Vulnerable Populations	340	3.65	0.05	8	3.50	0.33	0.15
68	Client Sleep and Rest Requirements	340	3.66	0.05	8	3.50	0.27	0.16
84	Coping Strategies	339	3.66	0.05	8	3.75	0.31	-0.09
43	Client Care for Newborn	340	3.67	0.07	8	3.50	0.27	0.17
208	Setting Limits	340	3.67	0.05	8	3.88	0.30	-0.21
83	Coping Skills	341	3.68	0.04	8	4.00	0.19	-0.32
13	Arterial Line Monitoring	340	3.68	0.07	8	3.00	0.38	0.68
77	Complications of Labor	341	3.68	0.07	8	3.00	0.38	0.68
192	Psychological Stressors	343	3.69	0.04	8	3.38	0.26	0.31
161	Ostomy Care	343	3.69	0.05	8	3.38	0.26	0.31
87	Cultural Diversity	341	3.70	0.05	8	3.88	0.23	-0.18
80	Conflict Management And Resolution	340	3.71	0.05	8	4.00	0.27	-0.29
185	Principles of Leadership	344	3.71	0.05	8	3.50	0.38	0.21
153	Nonprescribed Drugs	342	3.71	0.05	8	3.63	0.46	0.08
130	Irrigation Techniques	340	3.72	0.05	8	3.38	0.38	0.34
24	Biohazardous Material	338	3.73	0.06	8	3.88	0.23	-0.15
67	Client Self Determination	342	3.73	0.05	8	3.75	0.31	-0.02
168	Performance Improvement/Quality Improvement Process	343	3.74	0.05	8	3.63	0.18	0.11
86	Cultural Awareness	340	3.74	0.05	8	4.00	0.19	-0.26
151	Newborn Assessment	343	3.75	0.07	8	3.00	0.38	0.75
232	Therapeutic Environment	344	3.75	0.05	8	3.88	0.23	-0.13
157	Nutritional Assessment	342	3.75	0.05	8	3.38	0.38	0.37
40	Client Care for Adolescent	341	3.76	0.06	8	3.13	0.30	0.63
224	Substance Abuse	344	3.76	0.05	8	3.50	0.33	0.26
123	Incontinence Care	341	3.76	0.05	8	3.75	0.25	0.01

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		N	Avg.	Std. Err.	N	Avg.	Std. Err.	
148	Moderate Sedation	344	3.76	0.05	8	3.13	0.52	0.63
100	Dressing Types	341	3.77	0.05	8	3.50	0.42	0.27
194	Psychosocial Factors Affecting Care	343	3.77	0.05	8	3.50	0.33	0.27
70	Client'S Health Knowledge	340	3.77	0.05	8	3.50	0.27	0.27
37	Client Admission, Transfer or Discharge	340	3.77	0.05	8	3.50	0.38	0.27
3	Advance Directives	339	3.78	0.06	8	3.75	0.31	0.03
116	Hazardous Material	339	3.78	0.05	8	3.88	0.35	-0.10
205	Screening Tools	342	3.78	0.05	8	3.63	0.32	0.15
29	Body Mechanics	340	3.79	0.05	8	3.88	0.13	-0.09
94	Discharge Planning	342	3.80	0.05	8	3.88	0.30	-0.08
154	Nonverbal Cues	344	3.80	0.05	8	3.88	0.23	-0.08
98	Drainage Device Care	340	3.80	0.05	8	3.38	0.38	0.42
88	Cultural Factors Affecting Care	341	3.80	0.05	8	3.75	0.31	0.05
118	Health Promotion Behaviors	340	3.81	0.05	8	3.63	0.18	0.18
234	Thermoregulation Techniques	343	3.81	0.05	8	3.50	0.33	0.31
121	High Risk Behaviors	340	3.81	0.05	8	3.63	0.32	0.18
34	Circulation Devices	341	3.81	0.05	8	3.63	0.32	0.18
152	Nonpharmacological Comfort Measures	344	3.82	0.05	8	3.88	0.35	-0.06
209	Signs And Symptoms of Chemical Dependencies	340	3.83	0.05	8	3.75	0.37	0.08
117	Hazardous Material Handling	341	3.83	0.05	8	3.88	0.35	-0.05
90	De-Escalation Techniques	342	3.84	0.05	8	3.50	0.33	0.34
55	Client Environment of Care	341	3.84	0.05	8	3.75	0.16	0.09
135	Medical Equipment	342	3.85	0.05	8	3.50	0.38	0.35
52	Client Coping Mechanisms	339	3.85	0.04	8	3.63	0.32	0.22
182	Preoperative Care	342	3.85	0.05	8	3.63	0.18	0.22
198	Regulatory Guidelines and Standards	343	3.85	0.05	8	3.88	0.30	-0.03
190	Professional Resources	344	3.86	0.04	8	3.75	0.31	0.11
106	Enteral Feeding Tubes	341	3.87	0.05	8	3.50	0.38	0.37
211	Site Selection	342	3.87	0.05	8	4.00	0.33	-0.13
163	Pacing Devices	344	3.88	0.05	8	3.00	0.42	0.88
166	Palliative Care	344	3.88	0.05	8	3.50	0.27	0.38
242	Tube Removal Techniques	344	3.88	0.06	8	3.75	0.37	0.13
73	Communication Strategies	340	3.89	0.05	8	4.00	0.19	-0.11
229	Teaching and Learning Strategies	344	3.89	0.05	8	3.75	0.37	0.14
183	Pressure Relieving Support Surfaces	344	3.89	0.05	8	3.38	0.26	0.51
193	Psychological/Psychosocial Assessment	344	3.89	0.04	8	3.75	0.25	0.14
233	Therapeutic Interventions	344	3.90	0.04	8	3.75	0.31	0.15
249	Ventilator Management Techniques	344	3.90	0.06	8	3.13	0.61	0.77
72	Communication Barriers	341	3.90	0.05	8	3.75	0.16	0.15

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241	Tube Insertion Techniques	344	3.91	0.06	8	3.63	0.42	0.28
231	Therapeutic Effects	344	3.92	0.04	8	4.00	0.33	-0.08
240	Tube Feedings	344	3.92	0.05	8	3.63	0.38	0.29
204	Screening Assessments	344	3.92	0.04	8	3.63	0.32	0.29
227	Supervision of Assistive Personnel	344	3.92	0.05	8	3.88	0.30	0.04
246	Vaccinations	344	3.93	0.05	8	3.50	0.33	0.43
126	Infusion Delivery Devices	339	3.94	0.05	8	3.63	0.42	0.31
200	Reporting Process/Chain of Command	342	3.94	0.05	8	4.13	0.23	-0.19
237	Total Parenteral Nutrition (TPN) Administration	343	3.94	0.06	8	3.63	0.38	0.31
146	Medication Storage	342	3.94	0.05	8	3.88	0.35	0.06
101	Drug And Medication Withdrawal Care	339	3.96	0.05	8	4.00	0.33	-0.04
26	Blood Specimen Collection Techniques	340	3.96	0.05	8	3.88	0.23	0.08
214	Skin Preparation	344	3.96	0.05	8	3.88	0.35	0.08
61	Client Positioning and Mobilization Techniques	342	3.96	0.05	8	3.50	0.19	0.46
12	Arterial Blood Gas	339	3.97	0.05	8	3.25	0.31	0.72
102	Early Client Mobilization	342	3.98	0.05	8	3.75	0.31	0.23
127	Infusion Device Complications	342	3.98	0.05	8	3.50	0.50	0.48
82	Coordination of Client Care	339	3.99	0.04	8	4.00	0.33	-0.01
137	Medication Abuse	344	3.99	0.05	8	3.75	0.31	0.24
99	Dressing Changes	341	3.99	0.05	8	3.63	0.32	0.36
191	Promotion of Circulation Techniques	344	4.01	0.04	8	3.63	0.32	0.38
81	Controlled Substances	340	4.01	0.05	8	4.38	0.18	-0.37
89	Death and Dying	341	4.02	0.05	8	4.13	0.13	-0.11
122	Incident and Error Reporting	341	4.02	0.05	8	4.00	0.27	0.02
238	Tracheostomy Care	343	4.02	0.06	8	3.38	0.42	0.64
216	Specimen Handling	342	4.02	0.05	8	4.13	0.30	-0.11
184	Principles of Delegation and Assignment	344	4.03	0.05	8	4.00	0.27	0.03
155	Nurse Self Awareness	344	4.03	0.05	8	4.50	0.19	-0.47
107	Equipment Safety	340	4.04	0.05	8	4.13	0.30	-0.09
226	Suicide Precautions	344	4.05	0.06	8	3.75	0.41	0.30
228	Symptoms of Abuse and Neglect	342	4.05	0.05	8	3.88	0.30	0.17
175	Plan of Care	344	4.06	0.05	8	4.13	0.23	-0.07
207	Seizure Protocols	342	4.06	0.05	8	4.00	0.38	0.06
172	Pharmacologic Comfort Measures	341	4.06	0.04	8	4.13	0.30	-0.07
108	Ethical Principles	341	4.07	0.04	8	4.25	0.25	-0.18
195	Pulmonary Hygiene Techniques	343	4.09	0.05	8	3.63	0.26	0.46
180	Practice Errors	343	4.10	0.05	8	4.38	0.26	-0.28

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225	Suctioning Techniques	343	4.10	0.05	8	3.88	0.30	0.22
210	Site Assessment	343	4.10	0.05	8	3.88	0.35	0.22
215	Specimen Collection	344	4.11	0.04	8	3.88	0.30	0.23
21	Basic Cardiac Rhythms	340	4.11	0.05	8	3.50	0.27	0.61
49	Client Comfort	340	4.11	0.04	8	4.38	0.18	-0.27
201	Reporting Requirements for Client Conditions	340	4.11	0.04	8	4.13	0.30	-0.02
196	Reduction of Client Risk	343	4.13	0.04	8	4.13	0.23	0.00
169	Peripheral Intravenous Line Insertion Techniques	344	4.13	0.05	8	3.88	0.30	0.25
120	Hemodynamics	340	4.13	0.05	8	4.25	0.37	-0.12
63	Client Response to Plan of Care	341	4.13	0.04	8	4.13	0.13	0.00
178	Postoperative Care	341	4.13	0.05	8	4.13	0.23	0.00
230	Therapeutic Communication	344	4.14	0.04	8	4.38	0.26	-0.24
247	Venous Access Devices	344	4.14	0.04	8	4.00	0.33	0.14
218	Staff Safety	344	4.14	0.04	8	4.25	0.16	-0.11
109	Evidence-Based Practice	342	4.15	0.04	8	4.38	0.26	-0.23
131	Isolation Techniques	342	4.15	0.05	8	4.25	0.37	-0.10
56	Client Handoff Process	340	4.15	0.05	8	4.25	0.25	-0.10
213	Skin Care	343	4.16	0.04	8	4.13	0.23	0.03
167	Pathophysiology	342	4.16	0.04	8	4.50	0.38	-0.34
48	Client Centered Care	341	4.16	0.04	8	4.38	0.26	-0.22
10	Anatomy And Physiology	337	4.17	0.04	8	4.63	0.18	-0.46
105	Emergency Response Roles And Responsibilities	342	4.17	0.05	8	3.63	0.46	0.54
128	Intake And Output	341	4.17	0.04	8	4.13	0.23	0.04
60	Client Plan of Care	341	4.17	0.04	8	4.25	0.16	-0.08
158	Obtaining Orders	343	4.17	0.04	8	4.38	0.18	-0.21
95	Disease Prevention and Treatment Techniques	342	4.18	0.05	8	4.13	0.30	0.05
30	Calculation and Conversions	341	4.18	0.05	8	4.00	0.42	0.18
32	Catheter Maintenance Care	341	4.18	0.04	8	4.00	0.27	0.18
115	Handoff Communication	342	4.19	0.04	8	4.25	0.31	-0.06
41	Client Care For Adults	341	4.19	0.04	8	4.38	0.26	-0.19
156	Nursing Process	343	4.20	0.05	8	4.50	0.19	-0.30
93	Diagnostic Tests And Procedures	342	4.20	0.04	8	3.88	0.35	0.32
35	Circulation Movement and Sensation Assessment	341	4.20	0.05	8	4.63	0.18	-0.43
104	Emergency Response Plans	341	4.20	0.05	8	3.75	0.49	0.45
188	Professional Communication	344	4.21	0.04	8	4.38	0.18	-0.17
65	Client Risk Assessment	341	4.21	0.04	8	4.13	0.30	0.08
79	Comprehensive Health History	335	4.22	0.04	8	4.00	0.19	0.22
96	Disease Process	342	4.22	0.04	8	4.25	0.37	-0.03

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64	Client Rights and Responsibilities	341	4.23	0.04	8	4.38	0.26	-0.15
129	Invasive Line Care	340	4.23	0.05	8	4.25	0.37	-0.02
71	Communicable Diseases	339	4.23	0.04	8	3.88	0.35	0.35
44	Client Care for Older Adults	341	4.24	0.04	8	4.25	0.25	-0.01
18	Awareness of Professional Limitations	340	4.24	0.04	8	4.88	0.13	-0.64
97	Documentation Process	342	4.24	0.05	8	4.00	0.38	0.24
239	Treatments and Procedures	344	4.26	0.04	8	3.75	0.45	0.51
38	Client Advocacy	341	4.26	0.04	8	4.13	0.23	0.13
136	Medical Terminology	342	4.26	0.04	8	4.38	0.18	-0.12
59	Client Needs Assessment	341	4.26	0.04	8	3.88	0.30	0.38
171	Personal Protective Equipment	344	4.26	0.04	8	4.50	0.27	-0.24
62	Client Privacy	342	4.27	0.04	8	4.38	0.38	-0.11
53	Client Dignity	340	4.28	0.04	8	4.50	0.19	-0.22
253	Wound Care	342	4.28	0.04	8	4.25	0.16	0.03
244	Urinary Catheter Care	343	4.29	0.04	8	4.00	0.33	0.29
212	Skin Assessment	343	4.29	0.04	8	4.25	0.16	0.04
16	Assessment Tools	339	4.30	0.04	8	4.38	0.18	-0.08
252	Wound Assessment	343	4.31	0.04	8	4.25	0.25	0.06
143	Medication Reconciliation	344	4.31	0.04	8	4.50	0.19	-0.19
54	Client Education	341	4.31	0.04	8	4.63	0.18	-0.32
7	Allergies	339	4.32	0.04	8	4.38	0.26	-0.06
57	Client Health History	338	4.33	0.04	8	3.88	0.30	0.45
189	Professional Competency	344	4.33	0.04	8	4.38	0.18	-0.05
162	Oxygen Delivery Systems	343	4.34	0.04	8	4.25	0.16	0.09
187	Procedure And Treatment Complications	344	4.35	0.04	8	4.13	0.23	0.22
245	Urinary Catheter Insertion Technique	344	4.35	0.04	8	3.88	0.44	0.47
203	Scope of Practice	344	4.35	0.04	8	4.50	0.27	-0.15
222	Standards Of Care	344	4.36	0.04	8	4.38	0.26	-0.02
248	Venous Thromboembolism Prophylaxis	343	4.37	0.04	8	3.88	0.30	0.49
103	Emergency Care Procedures	341	4.38	0.05	8	4.63	0.38	-0.25
164	Pain Assessment	344	4.39	0.04	8	4.63	0.18	-0.24
165	Pain Management	344	4.40	0.04	8	4.63	0.18	-0.23
78	Comprehensive Health Assessment	338	4.41	0.04	8	4.38	0.18	0.03
236	Tissue Perfusion	343	4.41	0.04	8	3.88	0.30	0.53
221	Standard Precautions	344	4.42	0.04	8	4.63	0.26	-0.21
138	Medication Administration Activities	343	4.42	0.04	8	4.50	0.19	-0.08
113	Focused Assessment	341	4.43	0.04	8	4.38	0.26	0.05
145	Medication Side Effects	343	4.44	0.04	8	4.25	0.25	0.19
25	Blood Product Administration	341	4.46	0.05	8	4.50	0.27	-0.04
243	Unsafe Practice	344	4.46	0.04	8	4.25	0.25	0.21

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139	Medication Calculations	344	4.48	0.04	8	4.50	0.38	-0.02
142	Medication Orders	344	4.49	0.04	8	4.50	0.19	-0.01
235	Time Management	344	4.50	0.04	8	4.50	0.27	0.00
124	Infection Control	342	4.50	0.04	8	4.50	0.19	0.00
15	Aspiration Precautions	341	4.51	0.04	8	4.50	0.19	0.01
141	Medication Interactions	344	4.53	0.04	8	4.50	0.19	0.03
147	Medications	343	4.53	0.03	8	4.50	0.19	0.03
6	Allergic Reactions Interventions	340	4.54	0.04	8	4.75	0.16	-0.21
50	Client Confidentiality	341	4.55	0.04	8	4.88	0.13	-0.33
1	Abnormal Test Results	341	4.55	0.04	8	4.75	0.16	-0.20
51	Client Consent	342	4.56	0.04	8	4.75	0.16	-0.19
186	Prioritization of Care	343	4.56	0.03	8	4.38	0.18	0.18
14	Aseptic Technique	340	4.57	0.04	8	4.63	0.18	-0.06
4	Adverse Reactions	341	4.58	0.04	8	4.50	0.19	0.08
223	Sterile Technique	343	4.59	0.03	8	4.50	0.27	0.09
112	Fluid And Electrolytes	340	4.59	0.03	8	4.38	0.26	0.21
58	Client Identification	339	4.66	0.03	8	4.75	0.16	-0.09
144	Medication Safety	344	4.67	0.03	8	4.63	0.18	0.04
39	Client Assessment	337	4.67	0.03	8	4.50	0.27	0.17
33	Changes in Client Condition	340	4.67	0.03	8	4.75	0.16	-0.08
66	Client Safety	339	4.70	0.03	8	4.63	0.18	0.07
250	Vital Signs	343	4.72	0.03	8	4.88	0.13	-0.16
140	Medication Error Prevention	343	4.74	0.03	8	4.88	0.13	-0.14
5	Airway Management	341	4.79	0.03	8	4.75	0.16	0.04

APPENDIX F: REGISTERED NURSE (RN) EDUCATORS AND SUBJECT MATTER EXPERT (SME) KNOWLEDGE STATEMENT RATINGS RANK ORDERED BY RN EDUCATOR AVERAGE IMPORTANCE

Preface: How important is this knowledge by a newly licensed RN for safe and effective professional practice regardless of specific practice setting?

RN Educators and SME Knowledge Statement Ratings Rank Ordered by RN Educator Average Importance								
Survey Position #	Knowledge Statement	RN Educators			SME Ratings			Avg. Difference
		N	Avg.	Std. Err.	N	Avg.	Std. Err.	
173	Phototherapy	800	2.87	0.04	8	2.25	0.31	0.62
170	Peritoneal Dialysis Care	800	2.93	0.04	8	2.50	0.38	0.43
199	Renal Replacement Therapy	797	2.97	0.04	8	2.75	0.41	0.22
119	Hemodialysis Care	799	3.01	0.04	8	2.50	0.38	0.51
177	Post Mortem Care	804	3.07	0.04	8	2.88	0.30	0.19
160	Orthopedic Devices	805	3.08	0.03	8	2.88	0.40	0.20
28	Body Mass Index (BMI)	798	3.09	0.03	8	2.75	0.25	0.34
13	Arterial Line Monitoring	796	3.11	0.04	8	3.00	0.38	0.11
111	Fistula Care	799	3.13	0.04	8	2.88	0.30	0.25
249	Ventilator Management Techniques	800	3.15	0.04	8	3.13	0.61	0.02
76	Complementary Therapies	794	3.18	0.03	8	3.75	0.25	-0.57
163	Pacing Devices	804	3.19	0.04	8	3.00	0.42	0.19
92	Device Assessment	798	3.22	0.03	8	3.25	0.49	-0.03
134	Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS)	802	3.22	0.04	8	3.00	0.38	0.22
132	Labor	800	3.22	0.04	8	2.88	0.35	0.34
27	Body Image	801	3.23	0.03	8	3.00	0.27	0.23
220	Stages of Pregnancy	799	3.23	0.04	8	3.13	0.35	0.10
181	Prenatal Care	802	3.28	0.04	8	3.00	0.38	0.28
11	Antepartum	793	3.29	0.04	8	3.00	0.27	0.29
159	Occupational Factors Affecting Care	803	3.29	0.03	8	3.25	0.31	0.04
161	Ostomy Care	804	3.34	0.03	8	3.38	0.26	-0.04
17	Assistive Devices	799	3.35	0.03	8	3.50	0.19	-0.15
133	Life Transitions	802	3.36	0.03	8	3.13	0.23	0.23
150	New Parent Education	805	3.37	0.04	8	2.63	0.42	0.74
31	Caregiver Resources	796	3.37	0.03	8	2.88	0.23	0.49
179	Post-Partum Care	796	3.39	0.04	8	3.25	0.49	0.14
135	Medical Equipment	802	3.41	0.03	8	3.50	0.38	-0.09
26	Blood Specimen Collection Techniques	797	3.46	0.04	8	3.88	0.23	-0.42
130	Irrigation Techniques	799	3.46	0.03	8	3.38	0.38	0.08
45	Client Care for Preschool Aged Child	796	3.47	0.04	8	3.50	0.27	-0.03
47	Client Care for Toddler	795	3.47	0.04	8	3.50	0.27	-0.03
77	Complications of Labor	794	3.47	0.04	8	3.00	0.38	0.47
75	Community Resources	798	3.47	0.03	8	3.38	0.38	0.09
151	Newborn Assessment	801	3.51	0.04	8	3.00	0.38	0.51
237	Total Parenteral Nutrition (TPN) Administration	800	3.51	0.04	8	3.63	0.38	-0.12

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34	Circulation Devices	796	3.51	0.03	8	3.63	0.32	-0.12
46	Client Care For School Aged Child	796	3.51	0.04	8	3.50	0.27	0.01
176	Population Specific Health Risks	803	3.51	0.03	8	3.00	0.33	0.51
74	Community Health Considerations	795	3.52	0.03	8	3.13	0.40	0.39
91	Developmental Stages and Milestones	802	3.53	0.03	8	3.38	0.38	0.15
197	Reference Materials	799	3.53	0.03	8	3.88	0.40	-0.35
148	Moderate Sedation	804	3.54	0.03	8	3.13	0.52	0.41
100	Dressing Types	798	3.54	0.03	8	3.50	0.42	0.04
242	Tube Removal Techniques	801	3.55	0.04	8	3.75	0.37	-0.20
174	Physical Stressors	798	3.57	0.03	8	3.25	0.25	0.32
125	Information Resources	801	3.57	0.03	8	3.50	0.42	0.07
98	Drainage Device Care	802	3.57	0.03	8	3.38	0.38	0.19
241	Tube Insertion Techniques	800	3.57	0.04	8	3.63	0.42	-0.06
168	Performance Improvement/Quality Improvement Process	802	3.59	0.03	8	3.63	0.18	-0.04
43	Client Care For Newborn	795	3.59	0.04	8	3.50	0.27	0.09
123	Incontinence Care	804	3.60	0.03	8	3.75	0.25	-0.15
219	Stages of Death and Dying	799	3.60	0.03	8	3.50	0.27	0.10
206	Security Plans	800	3.61	0.03	8	3.38	0.38	0.23
169	Peripheral Intravenous Line Insertion Techniques	802	3.62	0.04	8	3.88	0.30	-0.26
238	Tracheostomy Care	799	3.63	0.04	8	3.38	0.42	0.25
42	Client Care for Infant	798	3.63	0.04	8	3.50	0.27	0.13
240	Tube Feedings	799	3.63	0.03	8	3.63	0.38	0.00
149	Modifiable and Non-Modifiable Risk Factors	804	3.65	0.03	8	3.13	0.23	0.52
205	Screening Tools	798	3.65	0.03	8	3.63	0.32	0.02
110	Family Dynamics	803	3.66	0.03	8	3.38	0.26	0.28
106	Enteral Feeding Tubes	803	3.66	0.03	8	3.50	0.38	0.16
183	Pressure Relieving Support Surfaces	803	3.67	0.03	8	3.38	0.26	0.29
126	Infusion Delivery Devices	802	3.68	0.03	8	3.63	0.42	0.05
85	Cost Effective Care	797	3.68	0.03	8	4.13	0.23	-0.45
36	Client Activity Orders	797	3.69	0.03	8	3.75	0.31	-0.06
246	Vaccinations	798	3.70	0.03	8	3.50	0.33	0.20
19	Barriers to Client Care	797	3.70	0.03	8	3.63	0.26	0.07
234	Thermoregulation Techniques	801	3.70	0.03	8	3.50	0.33	0.20
116	Hazardous Material	800	3.70	0.03	8	3.88	0.35	-0.18
217	Spiritual Factors Affecting Care	798	3.71	0.03	8	3.38	0.26	0.33
20	Barriers to Learning	792	3.72	0.03	8	3.50	0.27	0.22
208	Setting Limits	796	3.73	0.03	8	3.88	0.30	-0.15
209	Signs and Symptoms of Chemical Dependencies	800	3.74	0.03	8	3.75	0.37	-0.01

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21	Basic Cardiac Rhythms	797	3.75	0.03	8	3.50	0.27	0.25
117	Hazardous Material Handling	803	3.76	0.03	8	3.88	0.35	-0.12
114	Grieving Process	798	3.76	0.03	8	3.50	0.27	0.26
211	Site Selection	792	3.76	0.03	8	4.00	0.33	-0.24
23	Behavioral Management Techniques	797	3.77	0.03	8	3.38	0.26	0.39
8	Allowable Activities for Interprofessional Team Members	794	3.77	0.03	8	3.88	0.23	-0.11
224	Substance Abuse	799	3.77	0.03	8	3.50	0.33	0.27
166	Palliative Care	804	3.77	0.03	8	3.50	0.27	0.27
191	Promotion of Circulation Techniques	800	3.78	0.03	8	3.63	0.32	0.15
24	Biohazardous Material	797	3.78	0.03	8	3.88	0.23	-0.10
185	Principles of Leadership	800	3.78	0.03	8	3.50	0.38	0.28
190	Professional Resources	800	3.78	0.03	8	3.75	0.31	0.03
127	Infusion Device Complications	804	3.79	0.03	8	3.50	0.50	0.29
195	Pulmonary Hygiene Techniques	799	3.79	0.03	8	3.63	0.26	0.16
153	Nonprescribed Drugs	805	3.79	0.03	8	3.63	0.46	0.16
22	Behavioral Health Issues	800	3.80	0.03	8	3.25	0.16	0.55
215	Specimen Collection	798	3.80	0.03	8	3.88	0.30	-0.08
99	Dressing Changes	802	3.80	0.03	8	3.63	0.32	0.17
157	Nutritional Assessment	805	3.80	0.03	8	3.38	0.38	0.42
192	Psychological Stressors	800	3.81	0.03	8	3.38	0.26	0.43
214	Skin Preparation	797	3.81	0.03	8	3.88	0.35	-0.07
68	Client Sleep and Rest Requirements	795	3.81	0.03	8	3.50	0.27	0.31
70	Client'S Health Knowledge	796	3.81	0.03	8	3.50	0.27	0.31
216	Specimen Handling	796	3.81	0.03	8	4.13	0.30	-0.32
12	Arterial Blood Gas	796	3.82	0.03	8	3.25	0.31	0.57
3	Advance Directives	795	3.83	0.03	8	3.75	0.31	0.08
247	Venous Access Devices	800	3.83	0.03	8	4.00	0.33	-0.17
251	Vulnerable Populations	797	3.83	0.03	8	3.50	0.33	0.33
182	Preoperative Care	801	3.83	0.03	8	3.63	0.18	0.20
204	Screening Assessments	798	3.84	0.03	8	3.63	0.32	0.21
37	Client Admission, Transfer or Discharge	798	3.84	0.03	8	3.50	0.38	0.34
120	Hemodynamics	800	3.84	0.03	8	4.25	0.37	-0.41
225	Suctioning Techniques	800	3.84	0.03	8	3.88	0.30	-0.04
198	Regulatory Guidelines and Standards	797	3.85	0.03	8	3.88	0.30	-0.03
40	Client Care for Adolescent	796	3.85	0.03	8	3.13	0.30	0.72
105	Emergency Response Roles and Responsibilities	799	3.86	0.03	8	3.63	0.46	0.23
9	Alternatives to Restraints	795	3.86	0.03	8	3.75	0.25	0.11
84	Coping Strategies	798	3.86	0.03	8	3.75	0.31	0.11
202	Restraints	794	3.87	0.03	8	3.63	0.42	0.24
121	High Risk Behaviors	800	3.87	0.03	8	3.63	0.32	0.24

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129	Invasive Line Care	802	3.87	0.04	8	4.25	0.37	-0.38
83	Coping Skills	795	3.87	0.03	8	4.00	0.19	-0.13
194	Psychosocial Factors Affecting Care	800	3.88	0.03	8	3.50	0.33	0.38
80	Conflict Management and Resolution	793	3.89	0.03	8	4.00	0.27	-0.11
232	Therapeutic Environment	801	3.89	0.03	8	3.88	0.23	0.01
101	Drug And Medication Withdrawal Care	802	3.90	0.03	8	4.00	0.33	-0.10
102	Early Client Mobilization	801	3.90	0.03	8	3.75	0.31	0.15
90	De-Escalation Techniques	800	3.92	0.03	8	3.50	0.33	0.42
69	Client Surveillance	798	3.92	0.03	8	3.75	0.31	0.17
104	Emergency Response Plans	802	3.92	0.03	8	3.75	0.49	0.17
229	Teaching And Learning Strategies	800	3.93	0.03	8	3.75	0.37	0.18
154	Nonverbal Cues	805	3.94	0.03	8	3.88	0.23	0.06
67	Client Self Determination	793	3.94	0.03	8	3.75	0.31	0.19
118	Health Promotion Behaviors	796	3.94	0.03	8	3.63	0.18	0.31
2	Activities Of Daily Living (ADL)	795	3.95	0.03	8	3.50	0.27	0.45
210	Site Assessment	798	3.96	0.03	8	3.88	0.35	0.08
207	Seizure Protocols	799	3.96	0.03	8	4.00	0.38	-0.04
52	Client Coping Mechanisms	797	3.97	0.03	8	3.63	0.32	0.34
137	Medication Abuse	803	3.98	0.03	8	3.75	0.31	0.23
87	Cultural Diversity	798	3.98	0.03	8	3.88	0.23	0.10
55	Client Environment of Care	791	3.98	0.03	8	3.75	0.16	0.23
239	Treatments and Procedures	797	3.98	0.03	8	3.75	0.45	0.23
152	Nonpharmacological Comfort Measures	804	3.99	0.03	8	3.88	0.35	0.11
146	Medication Storage	803	3.99	0.03	8	3.88	0.35	0.11
93	Diagnostic Tests and Procedures	802	3.99	0.03	8	3.88	0.35	0.11
200	Reporting Process/Chain of Command	801	4.00	0.03	8	4.13	0.23	-0.13
82	Coordination of Client Care	797	4.00	0.03	8	4.00	0.33	0.00
72	Communication Barriers	796	4.00	0.03	8	3.75	0.16	0.25
61	Client Positioning and Mobilization Techniques	797	4.01	0.03	8	3.50	0.19	0.51
94	Discharge Planning	804	4.01	0.03	8	3.88	0.30	0.13
178	Postoperative Care	804	4.02	0.03	8	4.13	0.23	-0.11
89	Death And Dying	797	4.03	0.03	8	4.13	0.13	-0.10
107	Equipment Safety	803	4.03	0.03	8	4.13	0.30	-0.10
71	Communicable Diseases	796	4.03	0.03	8	3.88	0.35	0.15
253	Wound Care	801	4.04	0.03	8	4.25	0.16	-0.21
248	Venous Thromboembolism Prophylaxis	801	4.05	0.03	8	3.88	0.30	0.17
227	Supervision Of Assistive Personnel	800	4.05	0.03	8	3.88	0.30	0.17
231	Therapeutic Effects	801	4.05	0.03	8	4.00	0.33	0.05

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233	Therapeutic Interventions	798	4.06	0.03	8	3.75	0.31	0.31
73	Communication Strategies	796	4.06	0.03	8	4.00	0.19	0.06
88	Cultural Factors Affecting Care	796	4.07	0.03	8	3.75	0.31	0.32
86	Cultural Awareness	799	4.07	0.03	8	4.00	0.19	0.07
193	Psychological/Psychosocial Assessment	801	4.08	0.03	8	3.75	0.25	0.33
81	Controlled Substances	795	4.08	0.03	8	4.38	0.18	-0.30
122	Incident and Error Reporting	799	4.09	0.03	8	4.00	0.27	0.09
95	Disease Prevention and Treatment Techniques	804	4.09	0.03	8	4.13	0.30	-0.04
213	Skin Care	799	4.10	0.03	8	4.13	0.23	-0.03
155	Nurse Self Awareness	806	4.10	0.03	8	4.50	0.19	-0.40
244	Urinary Catheter Care	800	4.10	0.03	8	4.00	0.33	0.10
226	Suicide Precautions	798	4.10	0.03	8	3.75	0.41	0.35
32	Catheter Maintenance Care	798	4.11	0.03	8	4.00	0.27	0.11
184	Principles of Delegation and Assignment	801	4.11	0.03	8	4.00	0.27	0.11
29	Body Mechanics	799	4.11	0.03	8	3.88	0.13	0.23
158	Obtaining Orders	804	4.13	0.03	8	4.38	0.18	-0.25
10	Anatomy and Physiology	794	4.14	0.03	8	4.63	0.18	-0.49
162	Oxygen Delivery Systems	804	4.15	0.03	8	4.25	0.16	-0.10
35	Circulation Movement and Sensation Assessment	795	4.15	0.03	8	4.63	0.18	-0.48
196	Reduction of Client Risk	800	4.16	0.03	8	4.13	0.23	0.03
25	Blood Product Administration	799	4.16	0.03	8	4.50	0.27	-0.34
131	Isolation Techniques	802	4.16	0.03	8	4.25	0.37	-0.09
228	Symptoms of Abuse and Neglect	799	4.16	0.03	8	3.88	0.30	0.28
175	Plan of Care	802	4.16	0.03	8	4.13	0.23	0.03
252	Wound Assessment	801	4.16	0.03	8	4.25	0.25	-0.09
245	Urinary Catheter Insertion Technique	797	4.18	0.03	8	3.88	0.44	0.30
96	Disease Process	802	4.18	0.03	8	4.25	0.37	-0.07
44	Client Care for Older Adults	796	4.18	0.03	8	4.25	0.25	-0.07
236	Tissue Perfusion	800	4.19	0.03	8	3.88	0.30	0.31
201	Reporting Requirements for Client Conditions	796	4.21	0.03	8	4.13	0.30	0.08
218	Staff Safety	797	4.21	0.03	8	4.25	0.16	-0.04
136	Medical Terminology	804	4.22	0.03	8	4.38	0.18	-0.16
187	Procedure and Treatment Complications	799	4.22	0.03	8	4.13	0.23	0.09
128	Intake and Output	802	4.22	0.03	8	4.13	0.23	0.09
172	Pharmacologic Comfort Measures	798	4.23	0.03	8	4.13	0.30	0.10
79	Comprehensive Health History	791	4.24	0.03	8	4.00	0.19	0.24
103	Emergency Care Procedures	801	4.24	0.03	8	4.63	0.38	-0.39
41	Client Care for Adults	797	4.25	0.02	8	4.38	0.26	-0.13

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180	Practice Errors	801	4.26	0.03	8	4.38	0.26	-0.12
63	Client Response to Plan of Care	797	4.26	0.02	8	4.13	0.13	0.13
167	Pathophysiology	801	4.26	0.03	8	4.50	0.38	-0.24
38	Client Advocacy	798	4.27	0.03	8	4.13	0.23	0.14
16	Assessment Tools	797	4.27	0.03	8	4.38	0.18	-0.11
235	Time Management	801	4.29	0.03	8	4.50	0.27	-0.21
212	Skin Assessment	797	4.30	0.03	8	4.25	0.16	0.05
48	Client Centered Care	795	4.30	0.03	8	4.38	0.26	-0.08
60	Client Plan of Care	794	4.30	0.02	8	4.25	0.16	0.05
57	Client Health History	797	4.31	0.02	8	3.88	0.30	0.43
97	Documentation Process	802	4.34	0.03	8	4.00	0.38	0.34
7	Allergies	792	4.35	0.03	8	4.38	0.26	-0.03
59	Client Needs Assessment	797	4.35	0.02	8	3.88	0.30	0.47
143	Medication Reconciliation	806	4.36	0.03	8	4.50	0.19	-0.14
56	Client Handoff Process	796	4.37	0.03	8	4.25	0.25	0.12
112	Fluid And Electrolytes	801	4.37	0.03	8	4.38	0.26	-0.01
115	Handoff Communication	799	4.38	0.03	8	4.25	0.31	0.13
49	Client Comfort	797	4.38	0.02	8	4.38	0.18	0.00
64	Client Rights and Responsibilities	797	4.38	0.02	8	4.38	0.26	0.00
188	Professional Communication	800	4.39	0.02	8	4.38	0.18	0.01
54	Client Education	795	4.39	0.02	8	4.63	0.18	-0.24
53	Client Dignity	798	4.39	0.02	8	4.50	0.19	-0.11
108	Ethical Principles	802	4.39	0.03	8	4.25	0.25	0.14
189	Professional Competency	801	4.39	0.03	8	4.38	0.18	0.01
156	Nursing Process	804	4.39	0.03	8	4.50	0.19	-0.11
78	Comprehensive Health Assessment	794	4.40	0.03	8	4.38	0.18	0.02
109	Evidence-Based Practice	802	4.40	0.03	8	4.38	0.26	0.02
171	Personal Protective Equipment	799	4.40	0.03	8	4.50	0.27	-0.10
65	Client Risk Assessment	797	4.41	0.02	8	4.13	0.30	0.28
62	Client Privacy	795	4.42	0.02	8	4.38	0.38	0.04
230	Therapeutic Communication	801	4.43	0.02	8	4.38	0.26	0.05
222	Standards of Care	800	4.45	0.02	8	4.38	0.26	0.07
113	Focused Assessment	803	4.46	0.02	8	4.38	0.26	0.08
30	Calculation and Conversions	798	4.47	0.03	8	4.00	0.42	0.47
15	Aspiration Precautions	798	4.51	0.03	8	4.50	0.19	0.01
124	Infection Control	802	4.51	0.03	8	4.50	0.19	0.01
223	Sterile Technique	797	4.52	0.03	8	4.50	0.27	0.02
145	Medication Side Effects	802	4.53	0.02	8	4.25	0.25	0.28
18	Awareness of Professional Limitations	795	4.53	0.02	8	4.88	0.13	-0.35
141	Medication Interactions	806	4.54	0.02	8	4.50	0.19	0.04
147	Medications	800	4.55	0.02	8	4.50	0.19	0.05

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221	Standard Precautions	797	4.55	0.02	8	4.63	0.26	-0.08
165	Pain Management	798	4.59	0.02	8	4.63	0.18	-0.04
1	Abnormal Test Results	797	4.60	0.02	8	4.75	0.16	-0.15
243	Unsafe Practice	799	4.60	0.02	8	4.25	0.25	0.35
203	Scope of Practice	800	4.61	0.02	8	4.50	0.27	0.11
51	Client Consent	797	4.62	0.02	8	4.75	0.16	-0.13
142	Medication Orders	805	4.62	0.02	8	4.50	0.19	0.12
186	Prioritization of Care	799	4.62	0.02	8	4.38	0.18	0.24
164	Pain Assessment	804	4.63	0.02	8	4.63	0.18	0.00
6	Allergic Reactions Interventions	793	4.68	0.02	8	4.75	0.16	-0.07
138	Medication Administration Activities	804	4.68	0.02	8	4.50	0.19	0.18
33	Changes in Client Condition	798	4.69	0.02	8	4.75	0.16	-0.06
4	Adverse Reactions	795	4.69	0.02	8	4.50	0.19	0.19
250	Vital Signs	800	4.71	0.02	8	4.88	0.13	-0.17
39	Client Assessment	796	4.72	0.02	8	4.50	0.27	0.22
50	Client Confidentiality	797	4.73	0.02	8	4.88	0.13	-0.15
14	Aseptic Technique	796	4.73	0.02	8	4.63	0.18	0.10
139	Medication Calculations	804	4.74	0.02	8	4.50	0.38	0.24
5	Airway Management	800	4.77	0.02	8	4.75	0.16	0.02
58	Client Identification	798	4.78	0.02	8	4.75	0.16	0.03
66	Client Safety	797	4.79	0.02	8	4.63	0.18	0.16
144	Medication Safety	805	4.81	0.02	8	4.63	0.18	0.18
140	Medication Error Prevention	805	4.85	0.01	8	4.88	0.13	-0.03

APPENDIX G: REGISTERED NURSE (RN) SUPERVISORS AND SUBJECT MATTER EXPERT (SME) KNOWLEDGE STATEMENT RATINGS RANK ORDERED BY RN SUPERVISOR AVERAGE IMPORTANCE

Preface: How important is this knowledge by a newly licensed RN for safe and effective professional practice regardless of specific practice setting?

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Survey Position #	Knowledge Statement	RN Supervisors			SME Ratings			Avg. Difference
		N	Avg.	Std. Err.	N	Avg.	Std. Err.	
173	Phototherapy	221	2.54	0.08	8	2.25	0.31	0.29
170	Peritoneal Dialysis Care	221	2.80	0.08	8	2.50	0.38	0.30
28	Body Mass Index (BMI)	219	2.81	0.07	8	2.75	0.25	0.06
199	Renal Replacement Therapy	223	2.85	0.07	8	2.75	0.41	0.10
27	Body Image	219	2.90	0.07	8	3.00	0.27	-0.10
11	Antepartum	217	2.92	0.08	8	3.00	0.27	-0.08
181	Prenatal Care	222	2.92	0.08	8	3.00	0.38	-0.08
150	New Parent Education	222	2.95	0.08	8	2.63	0.42	0.32
132	Labor	221	2.96	0.08	8	2.88	0.35	0.08
91	Developmental Stages And Milestones	223	3.00	0.07	8	3.38	0.38	-0.38
119	Hemodialysis Care	223	3.02	0.08	8	2.50	0.38	0.52
220	Stages of Pregnancy	222	3.02	0.08	8	3.13	0.35	-0.11
179	Post-Partum Care	222	3.04	0.08	8	3.25	0.49	-0.21
13	Arterial Line Monitoring	218	3.04	0.09	8	3.00	0.38	0.04
151	Newborn Assessment	222	3.08	0.09	8	3.00	0.38	0.08
133	Life Transitions	222	3.09	0.07	8	3.13	0.23	-0.04
249	Ventilator Management Techniques	221	3.12	0.08	8	3.13	0.61	-0.01
76	Complementary Therapies	218	3.14	0.07	8	3.75	0.25	-0.61
92	Device Assessment	223	3.15	0.06	8	3.25	0.49	-0.10
45	Client Care for Preschool Aged Child	219	3.16	0.08	8	3.50	0.27	-0.34
177	Post Mortem Care	221	3.16	0.07	8	2.88	0.30	0.28
46	Client Care for School Aged Child	220	3.18	0.08	8	3.50	0.27	-0.32
47	Client Care for Toddler	219	3.19	0.08	8	3.50	0.27	-0.31
176	Population Specific Health Risks	218	3.19	0.07	8	3.00	0.33	0.19
160	Orthopedic Devices	222	3.20	0.06	8	2.88	0.40	0.32
234	Thermoregulation Techniques	223	3.22	0.07	8	3.50	0.33	-0.28
77	Complications of Labor	219	3.22	0.09	8	3.00	0.38	0.22
111	Fistula Care	223	3.26	0.06	8	2.88	0.30	0.38
174	Physical Stressors	220	3.26	0.06	8	3.25	0.25	0.01
43	Client Care for Newborn	219	3.26	0.08	8	3.50	0.27	-0.24
182	Preoperative Care	221	3.29	0.08	8	3.63	0.18	-0.34
31	Caregiver Resources	220	3.30	0.07	8	2.88	0.23	0.42
159	Occupational Factors Affecting Care	221	3.30	0.06	8	3.25	0.31	0.05
42	Client Care for Infant	219	3.30	0.08	8	3.50	0.27	-0.20
163	Pacing Devices	222	3.30	0.07	8	3.00	0.42	0.30

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237	Total Parenteral Nutrition (TPN) Administration	222	3.30	0.07	8	3.63	0.38	-0.33
149	Modifiable and Non-Modifiable Risk Factors	222	3.32	0.06	8	3.13	0.23	0.19
134	Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS)	222	3.32	0.07	8	3.00	0.38	0.32
12	Arterial Blood Gas	220	3.33	0.08	8	3.25	0.31	0.08
75	Community Resources	217	3.35	0.06	8	3.38	0.38	-0.03
197	Reference Materials	220	3.36	0.06	8	3.88	0.40	-0.52
125	Information Resources	222	3.36	0.06	8	3.50	0.42	-0.14
206	Security Plans	222	3.39	0.07	8	3.38	0.38	0.01
217	Spiritual Factors Affecting Care	222	3.41	0.06	8	3.38	0.26	0.03
40	Client Care For Adolescent	218	3.41	0.08	8	3.13	0.30	0.28
161	Ostomy Care	222	3.41	0.06	8	3.38	0.26	0.03
74	Community Health Considerations	219	3.42	0.06	8	3.13	0.40	0.29
110	Family Dynamics	223	3.42	0.06	8	3.38	0.26	0.04
36	Client Activity Orders	219	3.42	0.06	8	3.75	0.31	-0.33
118	Health Promotion Behaviors	222	3.44	0.06	8	3.63	0.18	-0.19
224	Substance Abuse	222	3.44	0.06	8	3.50	0.33	-0.06
192	Psychological Stressors	223	3.44	0.06	8	3.38	0.26	0.06
34	Circulation Devices	215	3.45	0.07	8	3.63	0.32	-0.18
232	Therapeutic Environment	223	3.46	0.06	8	3.88	0.23	-0.42
241	Tube Insertion Techniques	223	3.47	0.07	8	3.63	0.42	-0.16
148	Moderate Sedation	221	3.48	0.07	8	3.13	0.52	0.35
209	Signs And Symptoms Of Chemical Dependencies	223	3.48	0.07	8	3.75	0.37	-0.27
242	Tube Removal Techniques	223	3.48	0.07	8	3.75	0.37	-0.27
251	Vulnerable Populations	223	3.48	0.07	8	3.50	0.33	-0.02
238	Tracheostomy Care	221	3.48	0.07	8	3.38	0.42	0.10
195	Pulmonary Hygiene Techniques	223	3.49	0.06	8	3.63	0.26	-0.14
191	Promotion of Circulation Techniques	222	3.50	0.06	8	3.63	0.32	-0.13
208	Setting Limits	223	3.51	0.06	8	3.88	0.30	-0.37
102	Early Client Mobilization	221	3.51	0.06	8	3.75	0.31	-0.24
135	Medical Equipment	222	3.52	0.06	8	3.50	0.38	0.02
130	Irrigation Techniques	221	3.52	0.06	8	3.38	0.38	0.14
98	Drainage Device Care	221	3.52	0.06	8	3.38	0.38	0.14
17	Assistive Devices	219	3.53	0.06	8	3.50	0.19	0.03
8	Allowable Activities for Interprofessional Team Members	218	3.53	0.06	8	3.88	0.23	-0.35
246	Vaccinations	223	3.54	0.07	8	3.50	0.33	0.04
231	Therapeutic Effects	223	3.55	0.05	8	4.00	0.33	-0.45
240	Tube Feedings	223	3.55	0.06	8	3.63	0.38	-0.08
153	Nonprescribed Drugs	219	3.55	0.07	8	3.63	0.46	-0.08

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26	Blood Specimen Collection Techniques	218	3.56	0.07	8	3.88	0.23	-0.32
194	Psychosocial Factors Affecting Care	223	3.56	0.06	8	3.50	0.33	0.06
233	Therapeutic Interventions	222	3.57	0.06	8	3.75	0.31	-0.18
106	Enteral Feeding Tubes	223	3.58	0.06	8	3.50	0.38	0.08
20	Barriers to Learning	218	3.59	0.06	8	3.50	0.27	0.09
219	Stages of Death and Dying	222	3.59	0.06	8	3.50	0.27	0.09
101	Drug and Medication Withdrawal Care	222	3.59	0.07	8	4.00	0.33	-0.41
114	Grieving Process	222	3.60	0.06	8	3.50	0.27	0.10
211	Site Selection	220	3.61	0.06	8	4.00	0.33	-0.39
117	Hazardous Material Handling	221	3.61	0.06	8	3.88	0.35	-0.27
116	Hazardous Material	221	3.62	0.06	8	3.88	0.35	-0.26
178	Postoperative Care	222	3.62	0.07	8	4.13	0.23	-0.51
69	Client Surveillance	217	3.62	0.06	8	3.75	0.31	-0.13
19	Barriers to Client Care	219	3.62	0.06	8	3.63	0.26	-0.01
229	Teaching and Learning Strategies	222	3.62	0.06	8	3.75	0.37	-0.13
123	Incontinence Care	223	3.62	0.06	8	3.75	0.25	-0.13
21	Basic Cardiac Rhythms	219	3.63	0.07	8	3.50	0.27	0.13
68	Client Sleep and Rest Requirements	219	3.63	0.06	8	3.50	0.27	0.13
100	Dressing Types	222	3.63	0.06	8	3.50	0.42	0.13
205	Screening Tools	223	3.63	0.06	8	3.63	0.32	0.00
157	Nutritional Assessment	222	3.63	0.06	8	3.38	0.38	0.25
126	Infusion Delivery Devices	219	3.64	0.07	8	3.63	0.42	0.01
154	Nonverbal Cues	222	3.64	0.06	8	3.88	0.23	-0.24
196	Reduction of Client Risk	223	3.65	0.06	8	4.13	0.23	-0.48
202	Restraints	223	3.65	0.07	8	3.63	0.42	0.02
25	Blood Product Administration	219	3.66	0.09	8	4.50	0.27	-0.84
87	Cultural Diversity	219	3.66	0.06	8	3.88	0.23	-0.22
190	Professional Resources	222	3.66	0.06	8	3.75	0.31	-0.09
22	Behavioral Health Issues	218	3.66	0.06	8	3.25	0.16	0.41
210	Site Assessment	222	3.67	0.06	8	3.88	0.35	-0.21
70	Client's Health Knowledge	217	3.67	0.06	8	3.50	0.27	0.17
120	Hemodynamics	223	3.68	0.07	8	4.25	0.37	-0.57
129	Invasive Line Care	223	3.68	0.07	8	4.25	0.37	-0.57
193	Psychological/Psychosocial Assessment	223	3.68	0.06	8	3.75	0.25	-0.07
85	Cost Effective Care	219	3.69	0.06	8	4.13	0.23	-0.44
24	Biohazardous Material	216	3.69	0.07	8	3.88	0.23	-0.19
121	High Risk Behaviors	222	3.70	0.06	8	3.63	0.32	0.07
23	Behavioral Management Techniques	218	3.70	0.06	8	3.38	0.26	0.32
169	Peripheral Intravenous Line Insertion Techniques	222	3.70	0.08	8	3.88	0.30	-0.18

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86	Cultural Awareness	219	3.71	0.06	8	4.00	0.19	-0.29
88	Cultural Factors Affecting Care	218	3.72	0.06	8	3.75	0.31	-0.03
127	Infusion Device Complications	222	3.73	0.07	8	3.50	0.50	0.23
183	Pressure Relieving Support Surfaces	221	3.73	0.07	8	3.38	0.26	0.35
214	Skin Preparation	222	3.75	0.06	8	3.88	0.35	-0.13
84	Coping Strategies	219	3.75	0.06	8	3.75	0.31	0.00
67	Client Self Determination	217	3.76	0.06	8	3.75	0.31	0.01
207	Seizure Protocols	223	3.76	0.06	8	4.00	0.38	-0.24
83	Coping Skills	218	3.77	0.06	8	4.00	0.19	-0.23
230	Therapeutic Communication	223	3.77	0.06	8	4.38	0.26	-0.61
216	Specimen Handling	222	3.77	0.05	8	4.13	0.30	-0.36
185	Principles of Leadership	223	3.77	0.06	8	3.50	0.38	0.27
204	Screening Assessments	223	3.78	0.06	8	3.63	0.32	0.15
247	Venous Access Devices	222	3.79	0.06	8	4.00	0.33	-0.21
225	Suctioning Techniques	223	3.79	0.06	8	3.88	0.30	-0.09
236	Tissue Perfusion	223	3.80	0.06	8	3.88	0.30	-0.08
155	Nurse Self Awareness	221	3.80	0.06	8	4.50	0.19	-0.70
215	Specimen Collection	223	3.81	0.05	8	3.88	0.30	-0.07
168	Performance Improvement/Quality Improvement Process	221	3.81	0.06	8	3.63	0.18	0.18
72	Communication Barriers	217	3.81	0.05	8	3.75	0.16	0.06
55	Client Environment Of Care	220	3.82	0.05	8	3.75	0.16	0.07
107	Equipment Safety	223	3.83	0.06	8	4.13	0.30	-0.30
73	Communication Strategies	218	3.83	0.05	8	4.00	0.19	-0.17
166	Palliative Care	220	3.84	0.06	8	3.50	0.27	0.34
239	Treatments And Procedures	223	3.84	0.06	8	3.75	0.45	0.09
99	Dressing Changes	222	3.84	0.05	8	3.63	0.32	0.21
94	Discharge Planning	223	3.85	0.06	8	3.88	0.30	-0.03
184	Principles of Delegation And Assignment	223	3.85	0.06	8	4.00	0.27	-0.15
152	Nonpharmacological Comfort Measures	222	3.86	0.06	8	3.88	0.35	-0.02
93	Diagnostic Tests and Procedures	223	3.86	0.05	8	3.88	0.35	-0.02
226	Suicide Precautions	221	3.86	0.06	8	3.75	0.41	0.11
172	Pharmacologic Comfort Measures	221	3.87	0.06	8	4.13	0.30	-0.26
35	Circulation Movement And Sensation Assessment	216	3.88	0.06	8	4.63	0.18	-0.76
9	Alternatives To Restraints	217	3.88	0.06	8	3.75	0.25	0.13
61	Client Positioning And Mobilization Techniques	219	3.88	0.06	8	3.50	0.19	0.38
52	Client Coping Mechanisms	220	3.90	0.05	8	3.63	0.32	0.27
95	Disease Prevention and Treatment Techniques	223	3.90	0.05	8	4.13	0.30	-0.23

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248	Venous Thromboembolism Prophylaxis	223	3.90	0.06	8	3.88	0.30	0.02
2	Activities Of Daily Living (ADL)	219	3.90	0.05	8	3.50	0.27	0.40
137	Medication Abuse	222	3.90	0.06	8	3.75	0.31	0.15
180	Practice Errors	221	3.90	0.06	8	4.38	0.26	-0.48
80	Conflict Management and Resolution	219	3.91	0.06	8	4.00	0.27	-0.09
227	Supervision of Assistive Personnel	223	3.91	0.05	8	3.88	0.30	0.03
162	Oxygen Delivery Systems	221	3.92	0.06	8	4.25	0.16	-0.33
198	Regulatory Guidelines and Standards	221	3.92	0.06	8	3.88	0.30	0.04
71	Communicable Diseases	219	3.93	0.06	8	3.88	0.35	0.05
82	Coordination of Client Care	219	3.93	0.05	8	4.00	0.33	-0.07
37	Client Admission, Transfer or Discharge	218	3.93	0.06	8	3.50	0.38	0.43
90	De-Escalation Techniques	218	3.93	0.06	8	3.50	0.33	0.43
104	Emergency Response Plans	223	3.93	0.06	8	3.75	0.49	0.18
128	Intake and Output	222	3.94	0.06	8	4.13	0.23	-0.19
30	Calculation and Conversions	219	3.96	0.07	8	4.00	0.42	-0.04
105	Emergency Response Roles and Responsibilities	223	3.97	0.06	8	3.63	0.46	0.34
3	Advance Directives	218	3.98	0.06	8	3.75	0.31	0.23
146	Medication Storage	222	3.98	0.06	8	3.88	0.35	0.10
131	Isolation Techniques	221	3.99	0.06	8	4.25	0.37	-0.26
228	Symptoms of Abuse and Neglect	222	4.00	0.06	8	3.88	0.30	0.12
200	Reporting Process/Chain of Command	222	4.00	0.05	8	4.13	0.23	-0.13
244	Urinary Catheter Care	222	4.00	0.06	8	4.00	0.33	0.00
63	Client Response to Plan of Care	218	4.00	0.05	8	4.13	0.13	-0.13
41	Client Care for Adults	218	4.01	0.06	8	4.38	0.26	-0.37
213	Skin Care	223	4.02	0.05	8	4.13	0.23	-0.11
187	Procedure and Treatment Complications	222	4.02	0.05	8	4.13	0.23	-0.11
89	Death and Dying	218	4.02	0.06	8	4.13	0.13	-0.11
48	Client Centered Care	219	4.03	0.06	8	4.38	0.26	-0.35
113	Focused Assessment	223	4.04	0.06	8	4.38	0.26	-0.34
122	Incident and Error Reporting	223	4.04	0.06	8	4.00	0.27	0.04
253	Wound Care	223	4.05	0.06	8	4.25	0.16	-0.20
201	Reporting Requirements for Client Conditions	222	4.05	0.06	8	4.13	0.30	-0.08
218	Staff Safety	221	4.05	0.06	8	4.25	0.16	-0.20
38	Client Advocacy	220	4.05	0.05	8	4.13	0.23	-0.08
167	Pathophysiology	220	4.07	0.06	8	4.50	0.38	-0.43
245	Urinary Catheter Insertion Technique	222	4.08	0.06	8	3.88	0.44	0.20
44	Client Care for Older Adults	218	4.08	0.05	8	4.25	0.25	-0.17
109	Evidence-Based Practice	222	4.09	0.05	8	4.38	0.26	-0.29

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81	Controlled Substances	219	4.10	0.06	8	4.38	0.18	-0.28
175	Plan of Care	221	4.10	0.05	8	4.13	0.23	-0.03
29	Body Mechanics	219	4.11	0.06	8	3.88	0.13	0.23
96	Disease Process	223	4.11	0.05	8	4.25	0.37	-0.14
212	Skin Assessment	223	4.12	0.05	8	4.25	0.16	-0.13
54	Client Education	218	4.13	0.05	8	4.63	0.18	-0.50
252	Wound Assessment	223	4.13	0.05	8	4.25	0.25	-0.12
112	Fluid and Electrolytes	222	4.14	0.05	8	4.38	0.26	-0.24
32	Catheter Maintenance Care	218	4.15	0.05	8	4.00	0.27	0.15
57	Client Health History	218	4.15	0.05	8	3.88	0.30	0.27
79	Comprehensive Health History	218	4.15	0.05	8	4.00	0.19	0.15
108	Ethical Principles	222	4.16	0.05	8	4.25	0.25	-0.09
7	Allergies	216	4.17	0.06	8	4.38	0.26	-0.21
158	Obtaining Orders	222	4.18	0.05	8	4.38	0.18	-0.20
103	Emergency Care Procedures	223	4.19	0.06	8	4.63	0.38	-0.44
10	Anatomy and Physiology	218	4.20	0.05	8	4.63	0.18	-0.43
65	Client Risk Assessment	218	4.21	0.05	8	4.13	0.30	0.08
56	Client Handoff Process	218	4.22	0.06	8	4.25	0.25	-0.03
171	Personal Protective Equipment	221	4.23	0.06	8	4.50	0.27	-0.27
60	Client Plan of Care	217	4.23	0.05	8	4.25	0.16	-0.02
223	Sterile Technique	221	4.24	0.06	8	4.50	0.27	-0.26
64	Client Rights and Responsibilities	219	4.24	0.05	8	4.38	0.26	-0.14
156	Nursing Process	222	4.24	0.05	8	4.50	0.19	-0.26
188	Professional Communication	222	4.24	0.05	8	4.38	0.18	-0.14
59	Client Needs Assessment	217	4.24	0.05	8	3.88	0.30	0.36
49	Client Comfort	218	4.26	0.05	8	4.38	0.18	-0.12
141	Medication Interactions	222	4.28	0.05	8	4.50	0.19	-0.22
115	Handoff Communication	222	4.29	0.06	8	4.25	0.31	0.04
136	Medical Terminology	221	4.29	0.05	8	4.38	0.18	-0.09
222	Standards of Care	223	4.30	0.05	8	4.38	0.26	-0.08
139	Medication Calculations	222	4.30	0.06	8	4.50	0.38	-0.20
189	Professional Competency	223	4.30	0.05	8	4.38	0.18	-0.08
78	Comprehensive Health Assessment	218	4.31	0.05	8	4.38	0.18	-0.07
62	Client Privacy	218	4.34	0.05	8	4.38	0.38	-0.04
53	Client Dignity	220	4.35	0.05	8	4.50	0.19	-0.15
97	Documentation Process	222	4.35	0.05	8	4.00	0.38	0.35
145	Medication Side Effects	222	4.35	0.05	8	4.25	0.25	0.10
235	Time Management	223	4.35	0.05	8	4.50	0.27	-0.15
243	Unsafe Practice	223	4.35	0.05	8	4.25	0.25	0.10
1	Abnormal Test Results	219	4.36	0.05	8	4.75	0.16	-0.39
221	Standard Precautions	223	4.36	0.05	8	4.63	0.26	-0.27

RN Supervisors and SME Knowledge Statement Ratings Rank Ordered by RN Supervisor Average Importance								
Survey Position #	Knowledge Statement	RN Supervisors			SME Ratings			Avg. Difference
		N	Avg.	Std. Err.	N	Avg.	Std. Err.	
15	Aspiration Precautions	219	4.41	0.05	8	4.50	0.19	-0.09
124	Infection Control	223	4.42	0.05	8	4.50	0.19	-0.08
138	Medication Administration Activities	222	4.43	0.05	8	4.50	0.19	-0.07
147	Medications	222	4.44	0.04	8	4.50	0.19	-0.06
16	Assessment Tools	217	4.44	0.05	8	4.38	0.18	0.06
143	Medication Reconciliation	221	4.45	0.05	8	4.50	0.19	-0.05
186	Prioritization of Care	223	4.47	0.04	8	4.38	0.18	0.09
58	Client Identification	219	4.47	0.05	8	4.75	0.16	-0.28
39	Client Assessment	216	4.49	0.04	8	4.50	0.27	-0.01
51	Client Consent	219	4.49	0.05	8	4.75	0.16	-0.26
142	Medication Orders	222	4.50	0.04	8	4.50	0.19	0.00
66	Client Safety	218	4.50	0.05	8	4.63	0.18	-0.13
164	Pain Assessment	222	4.50	0.04	8	4.63	0.18	-0.13
165	Pain Management	221	4.51	0.04	8	4.63	0.18	-0.12
4	Adverse Reactions	217	4.51	0.04	8	4.50	0.19	0.01
6	Allergic Reactions Interventions	219	4.52	0.05	8	4.75	0.16	-0.23
203	Scope Of Practice	222	4.56	0.04	8	4.50	0.27	0.06
144	Medication Safety	222	4.57	0.04	8	4.63	0.18	-0.06
250	Vital Signs	220	4.58	0.04	8	4.88	0.13	-0.30
33	Changes in Client Condition	219	4.58	0.04	8	4.75	0.16	-0.17
18	Awareness of Professional Limitations	218	4.58	0.04	8	4.88	0.13	-0.30
14	Aseptic Technique	217	4.59	0.05	8	4.63	0.18	-0.04
140	Medication Error Prevention	221	4.59	0.04	8	4.88	0.13	-0.29
5	Airway Management	217	4.61	0.05	8	4.75	0.16	-0.14
50	Client Confidentiality	220	4.68	0.04	8	4.88	0.13	-0.22

APPENDIX H: KNOWLEDGE STATEMENTS SUBGROUP ANALYSIS: PRIMARY JOB TITLE

Knowledge Statements Subgroup Analysis: Primary Job Title													
Survey Position #	Knowledge Statement	Newly Licensed RN			RN Educator			RN Supervisor			New vs. Educator	New vs. Supervisor	Educator vs. Supervisor
		N	Avg.	Std. Err.	N	Avg.	Std. Err.	N	Avg.	Std. Err.	Difference	Difference	Difference
1	Abnormal Test Results	341	4.55	0.04	797	4.60	0.02	219	4.36	0.05	-0.04	0.19	0.24
2	Activities of Daily Living (ADL)	341	3.62	0.05	795	3.95	0.03	219	3.90	0.05	-0.33	-0.28	0.05
3	Advance Directives	339	3.78	0.06	795	3.83	0.03	218	3.98	0.06	-0.05	-0.20	-0.15
4	Adverse Reactions	341	4.58	0.04	795	4.69	0.02	217	4.51	0.04	-0.11	0.07	0.18
5	Airway Management	341	4.79	0.03	800	4.77	0.02	217	4.61	0.05	0.02	0.18	0.16
6	Allergic Reactions Interventions	340	4.54	0.04	793	4.68	0.02	219	4.52	0.05	-0.14	0.03	0.16
7	Allergies	339	4.32	0.04	792	4.35	0.03	216	4.17	0.06	-0.02	0.15	0.18
8	Allowable Activities for Interprofessional Team Members	338	3.55	0.05	794	3.77	0.03	218	3.53	0.06	-0.21	0.02	0.23
9	Alternatives to Restraints	338	3.52	0.05	795	3.86	0.03	217	3.88	0.06	-0.34	-0.36	-0.02
10	Anatomy and Physiology	337	4.17	0.04	794	4.14	0.03	218	4.20	0.05	0.02	-0.03	-0.05
11	Antepartum	335	3.13	0.07	793	3.29	0.04	217	2.92	0.08	-0.16	0.21	0.37
12	Arterial Blood Gas	339	3.97	0.05	796	3.82	0.03	220	3.33	0.08	0.15	0.64	0.48
13	Arterial Line Monitoring	340	3.68	0.07	796	3.11	0.04	218	3.04	0.09	0.58	0.64	0.07
14	Aseptic Technique	340	4.57	0.04	796	4.73	0.02	217	4.59	0.05	-0.16	-0.02	0.14
15	Aspiration Precautions	341	4.51	0.04	798	4.51	0.03	219	4.41	0.05	0.00	0.10	0.10
16	Assessment Tools	339	4.30	0.04	797	4.27	0.03	217	4.44	0.05	0.03	-0.14	-0.17
17	Assistive Devices	340	3.45	0.05	799	3.35	0.03	219	3.53	0.06	0.10	-0.08	-0.18
18	Awareness of Professional Limitations	340	4.24	0.04	795	4.53	0.02	218	4.58	0.04	-0.30	-0.34	-0.05
19	Barriers to Client Care	338	3.62	0.05	797	3.70	0.03	219	3.62	0.06	-0.08	0.00	0.08
20	Barriers to Learning	338	3.65	0.05	792	3.72	0.03	218	3.59	0.06	-0.07	0.06	0.13
21	Basic Cardiac Rhythms	340	4.11	0.05	797	3.75	0.03	219	3.63	0.07	0.36	0.49	0.13
22	Behavioral Health Issues	339	3.60	0.05	800	3.80	0.03	218	3.66	0.06	-0.20	-0.06	0.14
23	Behavioral Management Techniques	340	3.56	0.05	797	3.77	0.03	218	3.70	0.06	-0.21	-0.15	0.06
24	Biohazardous Material	338	3.73	0.06	797	3.78	0.03	216	3.69	0.07	-0.05	0.03	0.08
25	Blood Product Administration	341	4.46	0.05	799	4.16	0.03	219	3.66	0.09	0.30	0.80	0.50

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		N	Avg.	Std. Err.	N	Avg.	Std. Err.	N	Avg.	Std. Err.	Difference	Difference	Difference
26	Blood Specimen Collection Techniques	340	3.96	0.05	797	3.46	0.04	218	3.56	0.07	0.50	0.40	-0.10
27	Body Image	339	2.96	0.05	801	3.23	0.03	219	2.90	0.07	-0.27	0.06	0.33
28	Body Mass Index (BMI)	341	2.85	0.06	798	3.09	0.03	219	2.81	0.07	-0.23	0.05	0.28
29	Body Mechanics	340	3.79	0.05	799	4.11	0.03	219	4.11	0.06	-0.32	-0.31	0.01
30	Calculation and Conversions	341	4.18	0.05	798	4.47	0.03	219	3.96	0.07	-0.28	0.23	0.51
31	Caregiver Resources	340	3.45	0.05	796	3.37	0.03	220	3.30	0.07	0.08	0.15	0.07
32	Catheter Maintenance Care	341	4.18	0.04	798	4.11	0.03	218	4.15	0.05	0.08	0.03	-0.04
33	Changes in Client Condition	340	4.67	0.03	798	4.69	0.02	219	4.58	0.04	-0.02	0.09	0.11
34	Circulation Devices	341	3.81	0.05	796	3.51	0.03	215	3.45	0.07	0.30	0.37	0.06
35	Circulation Movement and Sensation Assessment	341	4.20	0.05	795	4.15	0.03	216	3.88	0.06	0.05	0.33	0.28
36	Client Activity Orders	340	3.54	0.05	797	3.69	0.03	219	3.42	0.06	-0.15	0.12	0.27
37	Client Admission, Transfer or Discharge	340	3.77	0.05	798	3.84	0.03	218	3.93	0.06	-0.07	-0.16	-0.09
38	Client Advocacy	341	4.26	0.04	798	4.27	0.03	220	4.05	0.05	0.00	0.21	0.21
39	Client Assessment	337	4.67	0.03	796	4.72	0.02	216	4.49	0.04	-0.05	0.18	0.23
40	Client Care for Adolescent	341	3.76	0.06	796	3.85	0.03	218	3.41	0.08	-0.09	0.34	0.44
41	Client Care for Adults	341	4.19	0.04	797	4.25	0.02	218	4.01	0.06	-0.06	0.18	0.23
42	Client Care for Infant	340	3.64	0.07	798	3.63	0.04	219	3.30	0.08	0.01	0.34	0.33
43	Client Care for Newborn	340	3.67	0.07	795	3.59	0.04	219	3.26	0.08	0.07	0.41	0.33
44	Client Care for Older Adults	341	4.24	0.04	796	4.18	0.03	218	4.08	0.05	0.05	0.15	0.10
45	Client Care for Preschool Aged Child	341	3.50	0.07	796	3.47	0.04	219	3.16	0.08	0.03	0.34	0.31
46	Client Care for School Aged Child	342	3.51	0.06	796	3.51	0.04	220	3.18	0.08	0.00	0.33	0.33
47	Client Care for Toddler	340	3.52	0.06	795	3.47	0.04	219	3.19	0.08	0.04	0.33	0.29
48	Client Centered Care	341	4.16	0.04	795	4.30	0.03	219	4.03	0.06	-0.13	0.14	0.27
49	Client Comfort	340	4.11	0.04	797	4.38	0.02	218	4.26	0.05	-0.27	-0.15	0.12
50	Client Confidentiality	341	4.55	0.04	797	4.73	0.02	219	4.66	0.04	-0.18	-0.12	0.06

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51	Client Consent	342	4.56	0.04	797	4.62	0.02	219	4.49	0.05	-0.06	0.07	0.13
52	Client Coping Mechanisms	339	3.85	0.04	797	3.97	0.03	220	3.90	0.05	-0.12	-0.05	0.07
53	Client Dignity	340	4.28	0.04	798	4.39	0.02	220	4.35	0.05	-0.11	-0.06	0.04
54	Client Education	341	4.31	0.04	795	4.39	0.02	218	4.13	0.05	-0.08	0.18	0.26
55	Client Environment Of Care	341	3.84	0.05	791	3.98	0.03	220	3.82	0.05	-0.14	0.02	0.16
56	Client Handoff Process	340	4.15	0.05	796	4.37	0.03	218	4.22	0.06	-0.22	-0.06	0.16
57	Client Health History	338	4.33	0.04	797	4.31	0.02	218	4.15	0.05	0.02	0.18	0.16
58	Client Identification	339	4.66	0.03	798	4.78	0.02	219	4.47	0.05	-0.12	0.19	0.31
59	Client Needs Assessment	341	4.26	0.04	797	4.35	0.02	217	4.24	0.05	-0.09	0.02	0.11
60	Client Plan of Care	341	4.17	0.04	794	4.30	0.02	217	4.23	0.05	-0.13	-0.06	0.07
61	Client Positioning and Mobilization Techniques	342	3.96	0.05	797	4.01	0.03	219	3.88	0.06	-0.05	0.08	0.13
62	Client Privacy	342	4.27	0.04	795	4.42	0.02	218	4.34	0.05	-0.14	-0.07	0.07
63	Client Response to Plan of Care	341	4.13	0.04	797	4.26	0.02	218	4.00	0.05	-0.12	0.13	0.26
64	Client Rights and Responsibilities	341	4.23	0.04	797	4.38	0.02	219	4.24	0.05	-0.15	-0.01	0.14
65	Client Risk Assessment	341	4.21	0.04	797	4.41	0.02	218	4.21	0.05	-0.20	0.00	0.20
66	Client Safety	339	4.70	0.03	797	4.79	0.02	218	4.50	0.05	-0.09	0.20	0.29
67	Client Self Determination	342	3.73	0.05	793	3.94	0.03	217	3.76	0.06	-0.21	-0.03	0.18
68	Client Sleep and Rest Requirements	340	3.66	0.05	795	3.81	0.03	219	3.63	0.06	-0.16	0.03	0.19
69	Client Surveillance	339	3.65	0.05	798	3.92	0.03	217	3.62	0.06	-0.27	0.03	0.30
70	Client'S Health Knowledge	340	3.77	0.05	796	3.81	0.03	217	3.67	0.06	-0.05	0.09	0.14
71	Communicable Diseases	339	4.23	0.04	796	4.03	0.03	219	3.93	0.06	0.20	0.30	0.11
72	Communication Barriers	341	3.90	0.05	796	4.00	0.03	217	3.81	0.05	-0.10	0.09	0.19
73	Communication Strategies	340	3.89	0.05	796	4.06	0.03	218	3.83	0.05	-0.17	0.05	0.23
74	Community Health Considerations	338	3.49	0.05	795	3.52	0.03	219	3.42	0.06	-0.04	0.07	0.11
75	Community Resources	339	3.47	0.05	798	3.47	0.03	217	3.35	0.06	0.00	0.12	0.12

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76	Complementary Therapies	340	3.34	0.06	794	3.18	0.03	218	3.14	0.07	0.15	0.20	0.05
77	Complications of Labor	341	3.68	0.07	794	3.47	0.04	219	3.22	0.09	0.21	0.46	0.25
78	Comprehensive Health Assessment	338	4.41	0.04	794	4.40	0.03	218	4.31	0.05	0.01	0.09	0.08
79	Comprehensive Health History	335	4.22	0.04	791	4.24	0.03	218	4.15	0.05	-0.02	0.07	0.09
80	Conflict Management and Resolution	340	3.71	0.05	793	3.89	0.03	219	3.91	0.06	-0.18	-0.20	-0.02
81	Controlled Substances	340	4.01	0.05	795	4.08	0.03	219	4.10	0.06	-0.07	-0.09	-0.02
82	Coordination of Client Care	339	3.99	0.04	797	4.00	0.03	219	3.93	0.05	-0.02	0.06	0.08
83	Coping Skills	341	3.68	0.04	795	3.87	0.03	218	3.77	0.06	-0.19	-0.09	0.11
84	Coping Strategies	339	3.66	0.05	798	3.86	0.03	219	3.75	0.06	-0.20	-0.09	0.11
85	Cost Effective Care	340	3.55	0.05	797	3.68	0.03	219	3.69	0.06	-0.13	-0.14	-0.01
86	Cultural Awareness	340	3.74	0.05	799	4.07	0.03	219	3.71	0.06	-0.33	0.03	0.36
87	Cultural Diversity	341	3.70	0.05	798	3.98	0.03	219	3.66	0.06	-0.28	0.04	0.32
88	Cultural Factors Affecting Care	341	3.80	0.05	796	4.07	0.03	218	3.72	0.06	-0.26	0.08	0.35
89	Death And Dying	341	4.02	0.05	797	4.03	0.03	218	4.02	0.06	-0.01	0.00	0.00
90	De-Escalation Techniques	342	3.84	0.05	800	3.92	0.03	218	3.93	0.06	-0.08	-0.09	-0.02
91	Developmental Stages And Milestones	342	3.23	0.06	802	3.53	0.03	223	3.00	0.07	-0.30	0.23	0.53
92	Device Assessment	342	3.41	0.05	798	3.22	0.03	223	3.15	0.06	0.19	0.26	0.07
93	Diagnostic Tests And Procedures	342	4.20	0.04	802	3.99	0.03	223	3.86	0.05	0.21	0.34	0.13
94	Discharge Planning	342	3.80	0.05	804	4.01	0.03	223	3.85	0.06	-0.22	-0.06	0.16
95	Disease Prevention And Treatment Techniques	342	4.18	0.05	804	4.09	0.03	223	3.90	0.05	0.09	0.28	0.20
96	Disease Process	342	4.22	0.04	802	4.18	0.03	223	4.11	0.05	0.04	0.11	0.07
97	Documentation Process	342	4.24	0.05	802	4.34	0.03	222	4.35	0.05	-0.09	-0.10	-0.01
98	Drainage Device Care	340	3.80	0.05	802	3.57	0.03	221	3.52	0.06	0.23	0.28	0.05
99	Dressing Changes	341	3.99	0.05	802	3.80	0.03	222	3.84	0.05	0.19	0.15	-0.04
100	Dressing Types	341	3.77	0.05	798	3.54	0.03	222	3.63	0.06	0.23	0.14	-0.09

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101	Drug And Medication Withdrawal Care	339	3.96	0.05	802	3.90	0.03	222	3.59	0.07	0.06	0.36	0.30
102	Early Client Mobilization	342	3.98	0.05	801	3.90	0.03	221	3.51	0.06	0.08	0.47	0.39
103	Emergency Care Procedures	341	4.38	0.05	801	4.24	0.03	223	4.19	0.06	0.13	0.19	0.05
104	Emergency Response Plans	341	4.20	0.05	802	3.92	0.03	223	3.93	0.06	0.28	0.27	-0.01
105	Emergency Response Roles And Responsibilities	342	4.17	0.05	799	3.86	0.03	223	3.97	0.06	0.31	0.19	-0.12
106	Enteral Feeding Tubes	341	3.87	0.05	803	3.66	0.03	223	3.58	0.06	0.21	0.30	0.08
107	Equipment Safety	340	4.04	0.05	803	4.03	0.03	223	3.83	0.06	0.01	0.21	0.19
108	Ethical Principles	341	4.07	0.04	802	4.39	0.03	222	4.16	0.05	-0.32	-0.09	0.23
109	Evidence-Based Practice	342	4.15	0.04	802	4.40	0.03	222	4.09	0.05	-0.25	0.06	0.31
110	Family Dynamics	340	3.47	0.05	803	3.66	0.03	223	3.42	0.06	-0.19	0.05	0.24
111	Fistula Care	342	3.54	0.06	799	3.13	0.04	223	3.26	0.06	0.42	0.29	-0.13
112	Fluid and Electrolytes	340	4.59	0.03	801	4.37	0.03	222	4.14	0.05	0.22	0.46	0.24
113	Focused Assessment	341	4.43	0.04	803	4.46	0.02	223	4.04	0.06	-0.03	0.38	0.42
114	Grieving Process	341	3.58	0.05	798	3.76	0.03	222	3.60	0.06	-0.18	-0.02	0.16
115	Handoff Communication	342	4.19	0.04	799	4.38	0.03	222	4.29	0.06	-0.19	-0.10	0.09
116	Hazardous Material	339	3.78	0.05	800	3.70	0.03	221	3.62	0.06	0.08	0.16	0.08
117	Hazardous Material Handling	341	3.83	0.05	803	3.76	0.03	221	3.61	0.06	0.07	0.22	0.15
118	Health Promotion Behaviors	340	3.81	0.05	796	3.94	0.03	222	3.44	0.06	-0.14	0.36	0.50
119	Hemodialysis Care	339	3.63	0.06	799	3.01	0.04	223	3.02	0.08	0.63	0.62	-0.01
120	Hemodynamics	340	4.13	0.05	800	3.84	0.03	223	3.68	0.07	0.29	0.46	0.16
121	High Risk Behaviors	340	3.81	0.05	800	3.87	0.03	222	3.70	0.06	-0.06	0.11	0.17
122	Incident And Error Reporting	341	4.02	0.05	799	4.09	0.03	223	4.04	0.06	-0.07	-0.02	0.05
123	Incontinence Care	341	3.76	0.05	804	3.60	0.03	223	3.62	0.06	0.16	0.14	-0.02
124	Infection Control	342	4.50	0.04	802	4.51	0.03	223	4.42	0.05	-0.01	0.08	0.09
125	Information Resources	342	3.60	0.05	801	3.57	0.03	222	3.36	0.06	0.03	0.24	0.21

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		N	Avg.	Std. Err.	N	Avg.	Std. Err.	N	Avg.	Std. Err.	Difference	Difference	Difference
126	Infusion Delivery Devices	339	3.94	0.05	802	3.68	0.03	219	3.64	0.07	0.26	0.30	0.04
127	Infusion Device Complications	342	3.98	0.05	804	3.79	0.03	222	3.73	0.07	0.19	0.26	0.06
128	Intake and Output	341	4.17	0.04	802	4.22	0.03	222	3.94	0.06	-0.05	0.23	0.28
129	Invasive Line Care	340	4.23	0.05	802	3.87	0.04	223	3.68	0.07	0.36	0.55	0.19
130	Irrigation Techniques	340	3.72	0.05	799	3.46	0.03	221	3.52	0.06	0.25	0.20	-0.06
131	Isolation Techniques	342	4.15	0.05	802	4.16	0.03	221	3.99	0.06	-0.01	0.16	0.17
132	Labor	340	3.42	0.07	800	3.22	0.04	221	2.96	0.08	0.20	0.46	0.26
133	Life Transitions	341	3.30	0.05	802	3.36	0.03	222	3.09	0.07	-0.06	0.21	0.27
134	Material Safety Data Sheet (Msds)	342	3.38	0.06	802	3.22	0.04	222	3.32	0.07	0.16	0.06	-0.10
135	Medical Equipment	342	3.85	0.05	802	3.41	0.03	222	3.52	0.06	0.44	0.33	-0.11
136	Medical Terminology	342	4.26	0.04	804	4.22	0.03	221	4.29	0.05	0.05	-0.03	-0.08
137	Medication Abuse	344	3.99	0.05	803	3.98	0.03	222	3.90	0.06	0.01	0.08	0.08
138	Medication Administration Activities	343	4.42	0.04	804	4.68	0.02	222	4.43	0.05	-0.26	-0.01	0.25
139	Medication Calculations	344	4.48	0.04	804	4.74	0.02	222	4.30	0.06	-0.26	0.18	0.44
140	Medication Error Prevention	343	4.74	0.03	805	4.85	0.01	221	4.59	0.04	-0.12	0.14	0.26
141	Medication Interactions	344	4.53	0.04	806	4.54	0.02	222	4.28	0.05	-0.01	0.25	0.26
142	Medication Orders	344	4.49	0.04	805	4.62	0.02	222	4.50	0.04	-0.14	-0.01	0.13
143	Medication Reconciliation	344	4.31	0.04	806	4.36	0.03	221	4.45	0.05	-0.05	-0.14	-0.09
144	Medication Safety	344	4.67	0.03	805	4.81	0.02	222	4.57	0.04	-0.14	0.09	0.24
145	Medication Side Effects	343	4.44	0.04	802	4.53	0.02	222	4.35	0.05	-0.09	0.10	0.18
146	Medication Storage	342	3.94	0.05	803	3.99	0.03	222	3.98	0.06	-0.05	-0.04	0.01
147	Medications	343	4.53	0.03	800	4.55	0.02	222	4.44	0.04	-0.01	0.10	0.11
148	Moderate Sedation	344	3.76	0.05	804	3.54	0.03	221	3.48	0.07	0.22	0.29	0.06
149	Modifiable And Non-Modifiable Risk Factors	343	3.64	0.05	804	3.65	0.03	222	3.32	0.06	-0.01	0.32	0.33
150	New Parent Education	343	3.45	0.07	805	3.37	0.04	222	2.95	0.08	0.08	0.50	0.42

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		N	Avg.	Std. Err.	N	Avg.	Std. Err.	N	Avg.	Std. Err.	Difference	Difference	Difference
151	Newborn Assessment	343	3.75	0.07	801	3.51	0.04	222	3.08	0.09	0.24	0.67	0.43
152	Nonpharmacological Comfort Measures	344	3.82	0.05	804	3.99	0.03	222	3.86	0.06	-0.17	-0.04	0.12
153	Nonprescribed Drugs	342	3.71	0.05	805	3.79	0.03	219	3.55	0.07	-0.08	0.16	0.24
154	Nonverbal Cues	344	3.80	0.05	805	3.94	0.03	222	3.64	0.06	-0.13	0.16	0.29
155	Nurse Self Awareness	344	4.03	0.05	806	4.10	0.03	221	3.80	0.06	-0.07	0.23	0.30
156	Nursing Process	343	4.20	0.05	804	4.39	0.03	222	4.24	0.05	-0.20	-0.05	0.15
157	Nutritional Assessment	342	3.75	0.05	805	3.80	0.03	222	3.63	0.06	-0.05	0.12	0.17
158	Obtaining Orders	343	4.17	0.04	804	4.13	0.03	222	4.18	0.05	0.04	-0.01	-0.05
159	Occupational Factors Affecting Care	344	3.50	0.05	803	3.29	0.03	221	3.30	0.06	0.21	0.20	-0.01
160	Orthopedic Devices	344	3.34	0.06	805	3.08	0.03	222	3.20	0.06	0.26	0.13	-0.12
161	Ostomy Care	343	3.69	0.05	804	3.34	0.03	222	3.41	0.06	0.35	0.28	-0.07
162	Oxygen Delivery Systems	343	4.34	0.04	804	4.15	0.03	221	3.92	0.06	0.19	0.43	0.24
163	Pacing Devices	344	3.88	0.05	804	3.19	0.04	222	3.30	0.07	0.69	0.58	-0.11
164	Pain Assessment	344	4.39	0.04	804	4.63	0.02	222	4.50	0.04	-0.24	-0.11	0.13
165	Pain Management	344	4.40	0.04	798	4.59	0.02	221	4.51	0.04	-0.19	-0.11	0.08
166	Palliative Care	344	3.88	0.05	804	3.77	0.03	220	3.84	0.06	0.11	0.04	-0.06
167	Pathophysiology	342	4.16	0.04	801	4.26	0.03	220	4.07	0.06	-0.11	0.09	0.20
168	Performance Improvement/Quality Improvement Process	343	3.74	0.05	802	3.59	0.03	221	3.81	0.06	0.15	-0.07	-0.22
169	Peripheral Intravenous Line Insertion Techniques	344	4.13	0.05	802	3.62	0.04	222	3.70	0.08	0.51	0.43	-0.09
170	Peritoneal Dialysis Care	343	3.50	0.06	800	2.93	0.04	221	2.80	0.08	0.57	0.70	0.13
171	Personal Protective Equipment	344	4.26	0.04	799	4.40	0.03	221	4.23	0.06	-0.13	0.04	0.17
172	Pharmacologic Comfort Measures	341	4.06	0.04	798	4.23	0.03	221	3.87	0.06	-0.17	0.20	0.36
173	Phototherapy	342	3.00	0.06	800	2.87	0.04	221	2.54	0.08	0.13	0.46	0.33
174	Physical Stressors	342	3.52	0.05	798	3.57	0.03	220	3.26	0.06	-0.05	0.26	0.31

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		N	Avg.	Std. Err.	N	Avg.	Std. Err.	N	Avg.	Std. Err.	Difference	Difference	Difference
175	Plan of Care	344	4.06	0.05	802	4.16	0.03	221	4.10	0.05	-0.10	-0.04	0.06
176	Population Specific Health Risks	344	3.49	0.05	803	3.51	0.03	218	3.19	0.07	-0.03	0.29	0.32
177	Post Mortem Care	342	3.36	0.06	804	3.07	0.04	221	3.16	0.07	0.29	0.20	-0.09
178	Postoperative Care	341	4.13	0.05	804	4.02	0.03	222	3.62	0.07	0.11	0.52	0.41
179	Post-Partum Care	344	3.59	0.07	796	3.39	0.04	222	3.04	0.08	0.20	0.55	0.35
180	Practice Errors	343	4.10	0.05	801	4.26	0.03	221	3.90	0.06	-0.16	0.19	0.35
181	Prenatal Care	344	3.49	0.06	802	3.28	0.04	222	2.92	0.08	0.20	0.57	0.36
182	Preoperative Care	342	3.85	0.05	801	3.83	0.03	221	3.29	0.08	0.01	0.56	0.54
183	Pressure Relieving Support Surfaces	344	3.89	0.05	803	3.67	0.03	221	3.73	0.07	0.22	0.16	-0.06
184	Principles of Delegation And Assignment	344	4.03	0.05	801	4.11	0.03	223	3.85	0.06	-0.08	0.17	0.26
185	Principles of Leadership	344	3.71	0.05	800	3.78	0.03	223	3.77	0.06	-0.07	-0.06	0.01
186	Prioritization of Care	343	4.56	0.03	799	4.62	0.02	223	4.47	0.04	-0.06	0.09	0.15
187	Procedure and Treatment Complications	344	4.35	0.04	799	4.22	0.03	222	4.02	0.05	0.13	0.33	0.20
188	Professional Communication	344	4.21	0.04	800	4.39	0.02	222	4.24	0.05	-0.18	-0.04	0.14
189	Professional Competency	344	4.33	0.04	801	4.39	0.03	223	4.30	0.05	-0.06	0.03	0.09
190	Professional Resources	344	3.86	0.04	800	3.78	0.03	222	3.66	0.06	0.08	0.20	0.12
191	Promotion of Circulation Techniques	344	4.01	0.04	800	3.78	0.03	222	3.50	0.06	0.23	0.50	0.27
192	Psychological Stressors	343	3.69	0.04	800	3.81	0.03	223	3.44	0.06	-0.12	0.24	0.36
193	Psychological/Psychosocial Assessment	344	3.89	0.04	801	4.08	0.03	223	3.68	0.06	-0.19	0.21	0.40
194	Psychosocial Factors Affecting Care	343	3.77	0.05	800	3.88	0.03	223	3.56	0.06	-0.12	0.21	0.32
195	Pulmonary Hygiene Techniques	343	4.09	0.05	799	3.79	0.03	223	3.49	0.06	0.30	0.60	0.30
196	Reduction of Client Risk	343	4.13	0.04	800	4.16	0.03	223	3.65	0.06	-0.03	0.48	0.51
197	Reference Materials	344	3.59	0.05	799	3.53	0.03	220	3.36	0.06	0.06	0.23	0.18
198	Regulatory Guidelines and Standards	343	3.85	0.05	797	3.85	0.03	221	3.92	0.06	0.00	-0.07	-0.07
199	Renal Replacement Therapy	342	3.59	0.06	797	2.97	0.04	223	2.85	0.07	0.62	0.74	0.12

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		N	Avg.	Std. Err.	N	Avg.	Std. Err.	N	Avg.	Std. Err.	Difference	Difference	Difference
200	Reporting Process/Chain of Command	342	3.94	0.05	801	4.00	0.03	222	4.00	0.05	-0.06	-0.06	0.00
201	Reporting Requirements for Client Conditions	340	4.11	0.04	796	4.21	0.03	222	4.05	0.06	-0.09	0.06	0.15
202	Restraints	343	3.64	0.06	794	3.87	0.03	223	3.65	0.07	-0.23	-0.02	0.21
203	Scope of Practice	344	4.35	0.04	800	4.61	0.02	222	4.56	0.04	-0.25	-0.20	0.05
204	Screening Assessments	344	3.92	0.04	798	3.84	0.03	223	3.78	0.06	0.09	0.14	0.06
205	Screening Tools	342	3.78	0.05	798	3.65	0.03	223	3.63	0.06	0.13	0.15	0.03
206	Security Plans	341	3.53	0.06	800	3.61	0.03	222	3.39	0.07	-0.07	0.15	0.22
207	Seizure Protocols	342	4.06	0.05	799	3.96	0.03	223	3.76	0.06	0.10	0.30	0.20
208	Setting Limits	340	3.67	0.05	796	3.73	0.03	223	3.51	0.06	-0.06	0.16	0.22
209	Signs And Symptoms of Chemical Dependencies	340	3.83	0.05	800	3.74	0.03	223	3.48	0.07	0.09	0.35	0.26
210	Site Assessment	343	4.10	0.05	798	3.96	0.03	222	3.67	0.06	0.14	0.43	0.29
211	Site Selection	342	3.87	0.05	792	3.76	0.03	220	3.61	0.06	0.11	0.27	0.15
212	Skin Assessment	343	4.29	0.04	797	4.30	0.03	223	4.12	0.05	-0.01	0.17	0.18
213	Skin Care	343	4.16	0.04	799	4.10	0.03	223	4.02	0.05	0.06	0.14	0.08
214	Skin Preparation	344	3.96	0.05	797	3.81	0.03	222	3.75	0.06	0.15	0.21	0.06
215	Specimen Collection	344	4.11	0.04	798	3.80	0.03	223	3.81	0.05	0.31	0.30	-0.01
216	Specimen Handling	342	4.02	0.05	796	3.81	0.03	222	3.77	0.05	0.21	0.25	0.04
217	Spiritual Factors Affecting Care	344	3.39	0.05	798	3.71	0.03	222	3.41	0.06	-0.32	-0.01	0.31
218	Staff Safety	344	4.14	0.04	797	4.21	0.03	221	4.05	0.06	-0.07	0.09	0.16
219	Stages of Death And Dying	344	3.58	0.05	799	3.60	0.03	222	3.59	0.06	-0.02	-0.01	0.01
220	Stages of Pregnancy	342	3.41	0.06	799	3.23	0.04	222	3.02	0.08	0.17	0.39	0.22
221	Standard Precautions	344	4.42	0.04	797	4.55	0.02	223	4.36	0.05	-0.14	0.06	0.19
222	Standards of Care	344	4.36	0.04	800	4.45	0.02	223	4.30	0.05	-0.09	0.06	0.15
223	Sterile Technique	343	4.59	0.03	797	4.52	0.03	221	4.24	0.06	0.06	0.35	0.28
224	Substance Abuse	344	3.76	0.05	799	3.77	0.03	222	3.44	0.06	-0.01	0.32	0.33

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		N	Avg.	Std. Err.	N	Avg.	Std. Err.	N	Avg.	Std. Err.	Difference	Difference	Difference
225	Suctioning Techniques	343	4.10	0.05	800	3.84	0.03	223	3.79	0.06	0.25	0.30	0.05
226	Suicide Precautions	344	4.05	0.06	798	4.10	0.03	221	3.86	0.06	-0.06	0.18	0.24
227	Supervision of Assistive Personnel	344	3.92	0.05	800	4.05	0.03	223	3.91	0.05	-0.12	0.01	0.14
228	Symptoms of Abuse And Neglect	342	4.05	0.05	799	4.16	0.03	222	4.00	0.06	-0.12	0.05	0.17
229	Teaching and Learning Strategies	344	3.89	0.05	800	3.93	0.03	222	3.62	0.06	-0.04	0.27	0.31
230	Therapeutic Communication	344	4.14	0.04	801	4.43	0.02	223	3.77	0.06	-0.29	0.37	0.66
231	Therapeutic Effects	344	3.92	0.04	801	4.05	0.03	223	3.55	0.05	-0.14	0.37	0.50
232	Therapeutic Environment	344	3.75	0.05	801	3.89	0.03	223	3.46	0.06	-0.14	0.29	0.43
233	Therapeutic Interventions	344	3.90	0.04	798	4.06	0.03	222	3.57	0.06	-0.16	0.33	0.49
234	Thermoregulation Techniques	343	3.81	0.05	801	3.70	0.03	223	3.22	0.07	0.11	0.59	0.48
235	Time Management	344	4.50	0.04	801	4.29	0.03	223	4.35	0.05	0.21	0.15	-0.06
236	Tissue Perfusion	343	4.41	0.04	800	4.19	0.03	223	3.80	0.06	0.22	0.61	0.39
237	Total Parenteral Nutrition (TPN) Administration	343	3.94	0.06	800	3.51	0.04	222	3.30	0.07	0.43	0.64	0.21
238	Tracheostomy Care	343	4.02	0.06	799	3.63	0.04	221	3.48	0.07	0.39	0.54	0.15
239	Treatments and Procedures	344	4.26	0.04	797	3.98	0.03	223	3.84	0.06	0.28	0.42	0.14
240	Tube Feedings	344	3.92	0.05	799	3.63	0.03	223	3.55	0.06	0.29	0.37	0.09
241	Tube Insertion Techniques	344	3.91	0.06	800	3.57	0.04	223	3.47	0.07	0.34	0.44	0.10
242	Tube Removal Techniques	344	3.88	0.06	801	3.55	0.04	223	3.48	0.07	0.33	0.41	0.08
243	Unsafe Practice	344	4.46	0.04	799	4.60	0.02	223	4.35	0.05	-0.14	0.11	0.25
244	Urinary Catheter Care	343	4.29	0.04	800	4.10	0.03	222	4.00	0.06	0.19	0.28	0.10
245	Urinary Catheter Insertion Technique	344	4.35	0.04	797	4.18	0.03	222	4.08	0.06	0.17	0.28	0.10
246	Vaccinations	344	3.93	0.05	798	3.70	0.03	223	3.54	0.07	0.23	0.38	0.15
247	Venous Access Devices	344	4.14	0.04	800	3.83	0.03	222	3.79	0.06	0.31	0.35	0.04
248	Venous Thromboembolism Prophylaxis	343	4.37	0.04	801	4.05	0.03	223	3.90	0.06	0.32	0.47	0.15
249	Ventilator Management Techniques	344	3.90	0.06	800	3.15	0.04	221	3.12	0.08	0.75	0.78	0.03

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250	Vital Signs	343	4.72	0.03	800	4.71	0.02	220	4.58	0.04	0.00	0.14	0.14
251	Vulnerable Populations	340	3.65	0.05	797	3.83	0.03	223	3.48	0.07	-0.18	0.17	0.35
252	Wound Assessment	343	4.31	0.04	801	4.16	0.03	223	4.13	0.05	0.14	0.17	0.03
253	Wound Care	342	4.28	0.04	801	4.04	0.03	223	4.05	0.06	0.24	0.23	-0.01

APPENDIX I: KNOWLEDGE STATEMENTS SUBGROUP ANALYSIS: FACILITY

Knowledge Statements Subgroup Analysis: Facility													
Survey Position #	Knowledge Statement	Hospital			Long-term Care			Community-based Facility			Other		
		N	Avg.	Std. Err.	N	Avg.	Std. Err.	N	Avg.	Std. Err.	N	Avg.	Std. Err.
1	Abnormal Test Results	886	4.55	0.02	128	4.38	0.07	152	4.60	0.05	115	4.64	0.05
2	Activities of Daily Living (ADL)	885	3.80	0.03	128	4.02	0.07	151	3.85	0.06	115	3.97	0.07
3	Advance Directives	882	3.79	0.03	127	4.21	0.08	152	3.74	0.07	115	3.91	0.08
4	Adverse Reactions	884	4.62	0.02	128	4.50	0.06	152	4.69	0.04	114	4.77	0.04
5	Airway Management	888	4.76	0.02	128	4.69	0.06	151	4.70	0.06	115	4.73	0.06
6	Allergic Reactions Interventions	884	4.62	0.02	128	4.47	0.07	150	4.64	0.05	115	4.68	0.06
7	Allergies	884	4.31	0.02	127	4.13	0.07	148	4.41	0.06	114	4.36	0.06
8	Allowable Activities for Interprofessional Team Members	882	3.70	0.03	127	3.48	0.09	151	3.64	0.07	115	3.83	0.07
9	Alternatives to Restraints	885	3.76	0.03	128	3.95	0.08	149	3.72	0.08	114	3.83	0.08
10	Anatomy and Physiology	882	4.15	0.03	126	4.08	0.07	150	4.18	0.07	115	4.17	0.08
11	Antepartum	880	3.16	0.04	127	2.83	0.12	151	3.33	0.09	113	3.35	0.10
12	Arterial Blood Gas	886	3.81	0.03	128	3.38	0.11	151	3.73	0.09	114	3.82	0.10
13	Arterial Line Monitoring	887	3.21	0.04	128	3.19	0.12	149	3.36	0.10	115	3.23	0.12
14	Aseptic Technique	884	4.67	0.02	127	4.60	0.06	151	4.70	0.05	115	4.72	0.06
15	Aspiration Precautions	887	4.48	0.03	128	4.60	0.06	152	4.38	0.07	115	4.57	0.07
16	Assessment Tools	886	4.29	0.03	125	4.46	0.06	152	4.18	0.07	114	4.38	0.06
17	Assistive Devices	889	3.32	0.03	128	3.75	0.08	152	3.55	0.08	114	3.31	0.08
18	Awareness of Professional Limitations	883	4.47	0.02	128	4.39	0.06	151	4.40	0.06	115	4.56	0.06
19	Barriers to Client Care	886	3.62	0.03	128	3.72	0.08	152	3.66	0.07	113	3.88	0.07
20	Barriers to Learning	882	3.66	0.03	127	3.61	0.08	151	3.64	0.07	113	3.88	0.07
21	Basic Cardiac Rhythms	886	3.86	0.03	128	3.52	0.09	152	3.72	0.08	115	3.82	0.09
22	Behavioral Health Issues	888	3.66	0.03	127	3.91	0.07	151	3.86	0.07	115	3.82	0.07
23	Behavioral Management Techniques	884	3.63	0.03	128	3.98	0.07	152	3.74	0.07	115	3.82	0.07
24	Biohazardous Material	886	3.69	0.03	126	3.87	0.09	152	3.88	0.08	115	3.85	0.08
25	Blood Product Administration	889	4.26	0.03	128	3.52	0.13	152	4.01	0.10	114	4.18	0.11
26	Blood Specimen Collection Techniques	888	3.54	0.03	127	3.71	0.09	152	3.69	0.08	113	3.63	0.09
27	Body Image	889	3.05	0.03	127	3.00	0.10	152	3.22	0.07	115	3.35	0.08
28	Body Mass Index (BMI)	889	2.93	0.03	128	2.86	0.09	151	3.12	0.08	114	3.18	0.09
29	Body Mechanics	890	4.00	0.03	128	4.21	0.07	151	3.94	0.08	114	4.16	0.08
30	Calculation and Conversions	887	4.32	0.03	128	4.03	0.09	152	4.34	0.07	115	4.46	0.08
31	Caregiver Resources	888	3.30	0.03	127	3.54	0.09	151	3.58	0.07	115	3.43	0.08
32	Catheter Maintenance Care	887	4.13	0.03	127	4.20	0.06	152	4.11	0.07	115	4.09	0.09
33	Changes In Client Condition	887	4.69	0.02	128	4.59	0.06	152	4.58	0.06	115	4.70	0.06

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34	Circulation Devices	885	3.54	0.03	127	3.49	0.10	151	3.65	0.08	114	3.64	0.09
35	Circulation Movement and Sensation Assessment	885	4.15	0.03	127	3.89	0.08	151	4.17	0.07	114	4.06	0.08
36	Client Activity Orders	887	3.59	0.03	128	3.59	0.09	151	3.60	0.08	114	3.75	0.07
37	Client Admission, Transfer Or Discharge	888	3.80	0.03	128	4.12	0.07	150	3.80	0.07	114	3.79	0.08
38	Client Advocacy	888	4.24	0.03	128	4.16	0.08	151	4.24	0.06	116	4.17	0.07
39	Client Assessment	882	4.69	0.02	124	4.57	0.06	152	4.65	0.04	115	4.66	0.06
40	Client Care for Adolescent	887	3.77	0.03	127	3.30	0.11	151	3.88	0.08	114	3.86	0.08
41	Client Care for Adults	889	4.22	0.02	127	4.12	0.08	151	4.11	0.07	114	4.15	0.07
42	Client Care for Infant	887	3.57	0.04	128	3.20	0.12	151	3.79	0.09	115	3.65	0.10
43	Client Care for Newborn	886	3.54	0.04	128	3.20	0.12	151	3.74	0.09	113	3.66	0.10
44	Client Care for Older Adults	887	4.17	0.03	128	4.31	0.07	151	4.19	0.07	114	4.17	0.07
45	Client Care for Preschool Aged Child	889	3.41	0.04	128	3.07	0.11	150	3.63	0.09	114	3.56	0.10
46	Client Care for School Aged Child	890	3.45	0.03	128	3.09	0.11	150	3.65	0.09	115	3.57	0.10
47	Client Care for Toddler	889	3.42	0.04	127	3.08	0.11	150	3.67	0.09	114	3.54	0.11
48	Client Centered Care	887	4.23	0.03	128	4.09	0.07	150	4.25	0.06	115	4.27	0.07
49	Client Comfort	890	4.28	0.02	127	4.33	0.07	150	4.26	0.06	113	4.29	0.07
50	Client Confidentiality	890	4.68	0.02	128	4.63	0.05	150	4.58	0.05	114	4.72	0.05
51	Client Consent	890	4.59	0.02	128	4.54	0.06	150	4.49	0.06	115	4.60	0.06
52	Client Coping Mechanisms	889	3.87	0.03	128	4.00	0.07	150	4.01	0.06	114	4.07	0.06
53	Client Dignity	890	4.34	0.02	128	4.43	0.06	150	4.31	0.06	115	4.38	0.06
54	Client Education	888	4.34	0.02	127	4.15	0.08	150	4.30	0.06	114	4.39	0.05
55	Client Environment of Care	885	3.89	0.03	128	3.88	0.07	150	3.97	0.06	114	4.05	0.07
56	Client Handoff Process	889	4.34	0.02	127	4.16	0.08	150	4.06	0.08	113	4.34	0.07
57	Client Health History	887	4.27	0.02	128	4.23	0.07	149	4.36	0.06	114	4.32	0.06
58	Client Identification	888	4.72	0.02	127	4.54	0.06	150	4.61	0.06	116	4.76	0.05
59	Client Needs Assessment	889	4.29	0.02	126	4.37	0.07	150	4.32	0.06	115	4.33	0.06
60	Client Plan of Care	886	4.25	0.02	127	4.30	0.06	148	4.23	0.07	116	4.25	0.06
61	Client Positioning and Mobilization Techniques	890	3.97	0.03	127	4.08	0.07	150	3.88	0.08	116	3.94	0.08
62	Client Privacy	888	4.38	0.02	127	4.38	0.06	149	4.28	0.07	116	4.33	0.06
63	Client Response to Plan of Care	889	4.18	0.02	127	4.12	0.07	151	4.11	0.07	116	4.24	0.06
64	Client Rights and Responsibilities	890	4.33	0.02	127	4.22	0.07	150	4.23	0.06	115	4.36	0.06
65	Client Risk Assessment	890	4.32	0.02	126	4.32	0.06	149	4.35	0.06	116	4.34	0.07
66	Client Safety	886	4.75	0.02	126	4.60	0.06	151	4.64	0.05	116	4.66	0.06
67	Client Self Determination	887	3.82	0.03	126	3.89	0.08	148	3.85	0.07	116	3.99	0.07
68	Client Sleep and Rest Requirements	887	3.71	0.03	127	3.78	0.09	149	3.74	0.07	116	3.84	0.08

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69	Client Surveillance	889	3.78	0.03	126	3.75	0.09	149	3.78	0.08	115	4.03	0.07
70	Client'S Health Knowledge	889	3.76	0.03	125	3.73	0.09	150	3.73	0.07	116	3.93	0.07
71	Communicable Diseases	888	4.02	0.03	127	4.04	0.09	149	4.12	0.07	115	4.15	0.07
72	Communication Barriers	887	3.91	0.03	126	3.93	0.08	150	3.99	0.07	116	4.07	0.07
73	Communication Strategies	887	3.94	0.03	127	3.95	0.08	150	4.03	0.06	116	4.17	0.06
74	Community Health Considerations	884	3.40	0.03	127	3.48	0.09	150	3.74	0.07	116	3.68	0.08
75	Community Resources	887	3.37	0.03	127	3.39	0.09	150	3.69	0.07	116	3.66	0.07
76	Complementary Therapies	887	3.13	0.03	127	3.31	0.09	148	3.38	0.08	116	3.33	0.08
77	Complications of Labor	888	3.45	0.04	126	3.18	0.13	149	3.56	0.10	116	3.65	0.12
78	Comprehensive Health Assessment	884	4.37	0.03	127	4.40	0.07	150	4.41	0.06	115	4.37	0.07
79	Comprehensive Health History	879	4.20	0.03	127	4.24	0.07	150	4.21	0.07	114	4.26	0.07
80	Conflict Management and Resolution	887	3.81	0.03	127	3.91	0.08	149	3.87	0.07	115	3.96	0.07
81	Controlled Substances	888	4.07	0.03	127	4.11	0.08	149	3.95	0.07	115	4.17	0.07
82	Coordination of Client Care	888	3.95	0.03	127	4.13	0.06	150	3.95	0.07	115	4.07	0.07
83	Coping Skills	887	3.78	0.03	126	3.88	0.08	150	3.77	0.07	116	3.91	0.07
84	Coping Strategies	889	3.77	0.03	127	3.89	0.08	150	3.74	0.07	116	3.91	0.07
85	Cost Effective Care	889	3.60	0.03	127	3.83	0.08	149	3.57	0.07	116	3.79	0.09
86	Cultural Awareness	889	3.91	0.03	127	3.77	0.08	150	3.90	0.07	116	4.14	0.07
87	Cultural Diversity	890	3.84	0.03	127	3.71	0.09	150	3.85	0.07	116	4.03	0.06
88	Cultural Factors Affecting Care	889	3.93	0.03	125	3.82	0.09	150	3.91	0.07	116	4.13	0.06
89	Death and Dying	892	3.99	0.03	126	4.23	0.07	150	4.01	0.07	114	4.05	0.07
90	De-Escalation Techniques	892	3.85	0.03	126	4.03	0.08	150	3.89	0.07	116	4.06	0.07
91	Developmental Stages and Milestones	890	3.34	0.03	129	3.04	0.10	152	3.56	0.08	119	3.50	0.09
92	Device Assessment	888	3.20	0.03	128	3.26	0.09	152	3.38	0.08	118	3.31	0.09
93	Diagnostic Tests And Procedures	891	4.01	0.03	129	4.02	0.07	152	4.05	0.07	118	3.97	0.07
94	Discharge Planning	892	3.93	0.03	129	3.85	0.08	152	3.86	0.08	119	4.11	0.07
95	Disease Prevention and Treatment Techniques	891	4.05	0.03	129	3.98	0.08	153	4.17	0.06	119	4.18	0.06
96	Disease Process	890	4.17	0.02	129	4.02	0.07	152	4.28	0.05	119	4.24	0.06
97	Documentation Process	890	4.30	0.03	129	4.41	0.07	152	4.27	0.07	119	4.39	0.06
98	Drainage Device Care	888	3.59	0.03	128	3.72	0.08	151	3.64	0.09	119	3.61	0.09
99	Dressing Changes	889	3.81	0.03	128	4.10	0.07	152	3.82	0.08	119	3.84	0.09
100	Dressing Types	887	3.54	0.03	128	3.87	0.07	150	3.65	0.08	119	3.56	0.09
101	Drug and Medication Withdrawal Care	888	3.84	0.03	129	3.76	0.10	151	3.87	0.08	118	3.98	0.08
102	Early Client Mobilization	889	3.88	0.03	128	3.65	0.09	151	3.76	0.08	119	3.91	0.08

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103	Emergency Care Procedures	889	4.25	0.03	129	4.27	0.08	153	4.25	0.08	119	4.31	0.08
104	Emergency Response Plans	888	3.93	0.03	129	4.15	0.08	153	4.06	0.08	119	4.15	0.08
105	Emergency Response Roles and Responsibilities	887	3.90	0.03	129	4.14	0.08	153	3.97	0.08	118	4.03	0.09
106	Enteral Feeding Tubes	889	3.66	0.03	129	3.94	0.07	153	3.63	0.08	119	3.66	0.09
107	Equipment Safety	889	3.97	0.03	129	3.94	0.08	152	3.98	0.08	119	4.18	0.08
108	Ethical Principles	889	4.28	0.03	129	4.15	0.07	153	4.25	0.06	119	4.35	0.07
109	Evidence-Based Practice	890	4.31	0.03	128	4.02	0.07	153	4.28	0.06	119	4.35	0.07
110	Family Dynamics	890	3.53	0.03	129	3.57	0.08	153	3.64	0.08	119	3.72	0.08
111	Fistula Care	890	3.16	0.03	129	3.53	0.09	151	3.31	0.09	119	3.34	0.09
112	Fluid and Electrolytes	891	4.40	0.02	128	4.23	0.07	152	4.34	0.06	118	4.35	0.08
113	Focused Assessment	891	4.42	0.02	129	4.13	0.08	151	4.28	0.06	119	4.37	0.06
114	Grieving Process	886	3.68	0.03	128	3.68	0.08	151	3.57	0.07	119	3.78	0.08
115	Handoff Communication	887	4.36	0.02	129	4.17	0.08	152	4.09	0.08	119	4.42	0.07
116	Hazardous Material	885	3.64	0.03	127	3.74	0.09	152	3.80	0.08	119	3.87	0.08
117	Hazardous Material Handling	889	3.70	0.03	128	3.73	0.09	153	3.81	0.08	119	3.96	0.08
118	Health Promotion Behaviors	887	3.81	0.03	126	3.59	0.08	152	3.82	0.07	118	4.08	0.07
119	Hemodialysis Care	885	3.09	0.04	128	3.33	0.11	153	3.29	0.08	119	3.18	0.10
120	Hemodynamics	887	3.92	0.03	129	3.74	0.09	153	3.84	0.08	118	3.81	0.10
121	High Risk Behaviors	887	3.79	0.03	129	3.80	0.09	153	3.88	0.07	117	3.98	0.07
122	Incident and Error Reporting	886	4.01	0.03	129	4.19	0.08	153	4.07	0.07	118	4.15	0.07
123	Incontinence Care	890	3.61	0.03	129	3.93	0.08	153	3.62	0.08	119	3.56	0.09
124	Infection Control	890	4.48	0.02	129	4.53	0.06	153	4.42	0.06	118	4.58	0.06
125	Information Resources	888	3.51	0.03	129	3.50	0.09	153	3.54	0.07	119	3.75	0.07
126	Infusion Delivery Devices	885	3.72	0.03	128	3.77	0.09	153	3.63	0.08	118	3.81	0.09
127	Infusion Device Complications	890	3.83	0.03	129	3.74	0.10	153	3.73	0.08	119	3.85	0.10
128	Intake and Output	888	4.20	0.03	128	3.95	0.08	153	4.04	0.07	119	4.09	0.09
129	Invasive Line Care	890	3.96	0.03	129	3.77	0.10	153	3.78	0.09	119	3.91	0.10
130	Irrigation Techniques	886	3.48	0.03	129	3.73	0.08	152	3.55	0.08	118	3.53	0.10
131	Isolation Techniques	889	4.15	0.03	129	4.07	0.08	152	4.01	0.08	119	4.08	0.08
132	Labor	885	3.16	0.04	129	3.09	0.12	152	3.37	0.09	119	3.41	0.11
133	Life Transitions	888	3.25	0.03	129	3.26	0.09	152	3.34	0.08	119	3.53	0.09
134	Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS)	888	3.19	0.03	129	3.40	0.09	153	3.36	0.09	119	3.45	0.08
135	Medical Equipment	889	3.52	0.03	129	3.65	0.09	153	3.50	0.08	118	3.49	0.09
136	Medical Terminology	889	4.27	0.03	129	4.16	0.07	153	4.21	0.06	119	4.17	0.07
137	Medication Abuse	892	3.90	0.03	130	3.95	0.09	153	4.08	0.07	118	4.17	0.07
138	Medication Administration Activities	892	4.60	0.02	130	4.45	0.06	152	4.43	0.06	119	4.65	0.05
139	Medication Calculations	892	4.61	0.02	130	4.36	0.07	152	4.58	0.06	119	4.76	0.06

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140	Medication Error Prevention	892	4.80	0.02	130	4.59	0.05	152	4.74	0.05	119	4.85	0.04
141	Medication Interactions	893	4.47	0.02	130	4.32	0.06	153	4.56	0.05	119	4.66	0.05
142	Medication Orders	892	4.55	0.02	130	4.48	0.06	153	4.55	0.06	119	4.70	0.05
143	Medication Reconciliation	893	4.33	0.03	129	4.33	0.07	153	4.39	0.07	119	4.43	0.06
144	Medication Safety	893	4.74	0.02	130	4.57	0.06	153	4.70	0.05	119	4.85	0.04
145	Medication Side Effects	890	4.46	0.02	130	4.32	0.06	153	4.52	0.06	119	4.61	0.05
146	Medication Storage	890	3.89	0.03	130	4.07	0.08	152	4.09	0.07	119	4.21	0.07
147	Medications	887	4.52	0.02	130	4.44	0.06	152	4.54	0.05	119	4.55	0.06
148	Moderate Sedation	892	3.55	0.03	130	3.48	0.09	152	3.55	0.08	118	3.72	0.08
149	Modifiable And Non-Modifiable Risk Factors	891	3.55	0.03	130	3.48	0.09	152	3.67	0.07	119	3.77	0.07
150	New Parent Education	891	3.30	0.04	130	3.02	0.11	153	3.34	0.09	119	3.53	0.10
151	Newborn Assessment	889	3.47	0.04	130	3.25	0.13	152	3.61	0.09	118	3.59	0.11
152	Nonpharmacological Comfort Measures	892	3.88	0.03	130	4.05	0.07	152	3.88	0.07	119	4.08	0.07
153	Nonprescribed Drugs	890	3.71	0.03	129	3.67	0.09	152	3.76	0.07	119	3.91	0.07
154	Nonverbal Cues	892	3.84	0.03	130	3.82	0.09	153	3.84	0.07	119	4.02	0.07
155	Nurse Self Awareness	893	4.02	0.03	129	3.84	0.09	153	4.08	0.07	119	4.21	0.06
156	Nursing Process	890	4.29	0.03	130	4.31	0.07	153	4.36	0.06	119	4.47	0.06
157	Nutritional Assessment	891	3.73	0.03	130	3.80	0.08	153	3.73	0.06	118	3.88	0.07
158	Obtaining Orders	890	4.10	0.03	130	4.33	0.06	153	4.12	0.07	119	4.22	0.07
159	Occupational Factors Affecting Care	891	3.28	0.03	129	3.46	0.09	152	3.41	0.07	119	3.50	0.07
160	Orthopedic Devices	892	3.10	0.03	130	3.36	0.09	153	3.20	0.08	119	3.16	0.07
161	Ostomy Care	892	3.39	0.03	129	3.80	0.08	153	3.42	0.08	118	3.38	0.09
162	Oxygen Delivery Systems	892	4.21	0.03	129	4.05	0.08	152	3.99	0.08	119	4.03	0.09
163	Pacing Devices	892	3.34	0.04	130	3.58	0.09	152	3.39	0.09	119	3.35	0.10
164	Pain Assessment	892	4.56	0.02	130	4.43	0.06	153	4.50	0.06	118	4.58	0.05
165	Pain Management	887	4.54	0.02	130	4.48	0.06	153	4.44	0.06	118	4.58	0.06
166	Palliative Care	891	3.74	0.03	130	4.09	0.07	153	3.89	0.08	118	3.86	0.09
167	Pathophysiology	890	4.20	0.03	128	4.04	0.07	150	4.21	0.07	118	4.31	0.07
168	Performance Improvement/Quality Improvement Process	888	3.59	0.03	129	3.85	0.08	153	3.64	0.08	119	3.90	0.07
169	Peripheral Intravenous Line Insertion Techniques	889	3.78	0.04	130	3.81	0.10	153	3.66	0.10	119	3.62	0.10
170	Peritoneal Dialysis Care	889	2.96	0.04	130	3.20	0.11	149	3.21	0.10	119	3.11	0.10
171	Personal Protective Equipment	886	4.35	0.03	130	4.25	0.07	152	4.19	0.07	119	4.45	0.07
172	Pharmacologic Comfort Measures	882	4.13	0.03	130	4.02	0.07	152	4.12	0.07	119	4.25	0.07
173	Phototherapy	890	2.80	0.04	130	2.72	0.11	150	2.95	0.09	117	2.99	0.10
174	Physical Stressors	887	3.47	0.03	128	3.41	0.09	151	3.63	0.07	119	3.65	0.08

Knowledge Statements Subgroup Analysis: Facility													
Survey Position #	Knowledge Statement	Hospital			Long-term Care			Community-based Facility			Other		
		N	Avg.	Std. Err.	N	Avg.	Std. Err.	N	Avg.	Std. Err.	N	Avg.	Std. Err.
175	Plan of Care	890	4.12	0.03	129	4.09	0.07	153	4.11	0.07	118	4.29	0.06
176	Population Specific Health Risks	890	3.41	0.03	128	3.32	0.10	152	3.61	0.08	119	3.61	0.08
177	Post Mortem Care	891	3.10	0.04	129	3.51	0.09	151	3.13	0.09	119	3.16	0.10
178	Postoperative Care	892	4.01	0.03	129	3.71	0.10	151	3.94	0.08	118	4.05	0.09
179	Post-Partum Care	886	3.35	0.04	130	3.15	0.12	152	3.48	0.09	118	3.55	0.11
180	Practice Errors	888	4.14	0.03	130	4.01	0.08	151	4.16	0.08	119	4.39	0.07
181	Prenatal Care	891	3.22	0.04	130	3.10	0.12	152	3.42	0.09	119	3.44	0.11
182	Preoperative Care	889	3.77	0.03	130	3.45	0.11	151	3.70	0.09	117	3.87	0.10
183	Pressure Relieving Support Surfaces	892	3.72	0.03	129	4.01	0.08	152	3.65	0.08	119	3.69	0.09
184	Principles of Delegation And Assignment	892	4.04	0.03	129	3.98	0.07	152	4.03	0.08	119	4.11	0.07
185	Principles of Leadership	892	3.69	0.03	129	4.04	0.07	151	3.79	0.07	119	3.87	0.07
186	Prioritization of Care	890	4.60	0.02	129	4.48	0.06	152	4.49	0.05	118	4.61	0.06
187	Procedure and Treatment Complications	890	4.23	0.02	129	4.07	0.08	151	4.17	0.07	119	4.25	0.07
188	Professional Communication	892	4.31	0.02	129	4.23	0.06	151	4.32	0.06	118	4.46	0.06
189	Professional Competency	892	4.34	0.02	129	4.36	0.06	152	4.36	0.06	119	4.55	0.05
190	Professional Resources	890	3.75	0.03	129	3.77	0.08	152	3.74	0.07	119	3.97	0.07
191	Promotion of Circulation Techniques	890	3.80	0.03	129	3.71	0.09	152	3.68	0.08	119	3.78	0.08
192	Psychological Stressors	891	3.69	0.03	129	3.62	0.08	152	3.73	0.06	118	3.95	0.07
193	Psychological/Psychosocial Assessment	892	3.96	0.03	129	3.76	0.08	152	3.94	0.06	119	4.18	0.06
194	Psychosocial Factors Affecting Care	891	3.76	0.03	129	3.71	0.08	152	3.85	0.07	119	4.01	0.06
195	Pulmonary Hygiene Techniques	890	3.81	0.03	129	3.85	0.08	152	3.76	0.08	118	3.79	0.09
196	Reduction of Client Risk	892	4.05	0.03	129	3.91	0.08	151	4.15	0.07	118	4.16	0.07
197	Reference Materials	887	3.48	0.03	129	3.52	0.09	152	3.50	0.08	119	3.71	0.07
198	Regulatory Guidelines and Standards	885	3.82	0.03	129	3.97	0.07	152	3.84	0.08	119	3.96	0.07
199	Renal Replacement Therapy	889	3.06	0.04	129	3.17	0.11	150	3.22	0.09	119	3.15	0.10
200	Reporting Process/Chain of Command	889	3.94	0.03	129	4.09	0.07	152	3.93	0.07	119	4.09	0.07
201	Reporting Requirements for Client Conditions	884	4.16	0.03	129	4.07	0.07	152	4.06	0.07	118	4.23	0.07
202	Restraints	885	3.77	0.03	129	3.74	0.09	151	3.66	0.08	119	3.83	0.09
203	Scope of Practice	890	4.53	0.02	129	4.51	0.06	152	4.49	0.06	119	4.58	0.06
204	Screening Assessments	890	3.82	0.03	129	3.78	0.07	152	3.93	0.07	118	3.95	0.06
205	Screening Tools	889	3.63	0.03	129	3.66	0.08	151	3.81	0.07	118	3.78	0.07
206	Security Plans	890	3.49	0.03	129	3.50	0.09	151	3.60	0.08	117	3.84	0.08
207	Seizure Protocols	890	3.92	0.03	129	3.97	0.07	151	3.97	0.08	118	4.01	0.07

Knowledge Statements Subgroup Analysis: Facility													
Survey Position #	Knowledge Statement	Hospital			Long-term Care			Community-based Facility			Other		
		N	Avg.	Std. Err.	N	Avg.	Std. Err.	N	Avg.	Std. Err.	N	Avg.	Std. Err.
208	Setting Limits	887	3.65	0.03	129	3.65	0.08	151	3.64	0.07	117	3.85	0.07
209	Signs And Symptoms of Chemical Dependencies	891	3.69	0.03	129	3.53	0.09	150	3.82	0.07	117	3.85	0.08
210	Site Assessment	888	3.96	0.03	129	3.80	0.09	152	3.88	0.07	118	3.90	0.09
211	Site Selection	880	3.75	0.03	129	3.68	0.09	152	3.74	0.08	118	3.81	0.08
212	Skin Assessment	889	4.26	0.03	129	4.26	0.07	151	4.21	0.07	118	4.24	0.07
213	Skin Care	889	4.09	0.03	129	4.16	0.07	152	4.06	0.07	119	4.08	0.08
214	Skin Preparation	889	3.80	0.03	129	3.91	0.08	152	3.85	0.08	118	3.84	0.08
215	Specimen Collection	890	3.86	0.03	129	3.90	0.07	152	3.86	0.07	119	3.87	0.08
216	Specimen Handling	889	3.83	0.03	129	3.81	0.08	151	3.89	0.07	116	3.92	0.08
217	Spiritual Factors Affecting Care	889	3.56	0.03	129	3.39	0.08	151	3.56	0.07	119	3.82	0.07
218	Staff Safety	889	4.16	0.03	129	4.13	0.07	151	4.10	0.07	118	4.28	0.08
219	Stages of Death and Dying	891	3.55	0.03	127	3.77	0.08	152	3.55	0.08	119	3.65	0.08
220	Stages of Pregnancy	887	3.20	0.04	129	3.05	0.11	152	3.41	0.09	119	3.29	0.10
221	Standard Precautions	888	4.49	0.02	129	4.39	0.07	152	4.44	0.06	119	4.55	0.06
222	Standards of Care	892	4.40	0.02	129	4.34	0.06	152	4.38	0.06	118	4.47	0.06
223	Sterile Technique	889	4.54	0.02	128	4.31	0.07	150	4.47	0.07	119	4.35	0.09
224	Substance Abuse	890	3.68	0.03	129	3.51	0.09	152	3.86	0.07	119	3.81	0.08
225	Suctioning Techniques	891	3.88	0.03	129	3.97	0.08	152	3.86	0.08	119	3.82	0.10
226	Suicide Precautions	889	4.02	0.03	128	3.90	0.09	152	4.12	0.07	119	4.18	0.08
227	Supervision of Assistive Personnel	891	3.99	0.03	129	4.09	0.06	152	3.89	0.07	119	4.05	0.07
228	Symptoms of Abuse and Neglect	889	4.07	0.03	129	4.12	0.08	151	4.13	0.07	118	4.25	0.06
229	Teaching and Learning Strategies	891	3.85	0.03	129	3.71	0.08	152	3.98	0.07	118	3.97	0.06
230	Therapeutic Communication	892	4.27	0.03	129	3.93	0.08	152	4.26	0.07	119	4.34	0.06
231	Therapeutic Effects	891	3.93	0.03	129	3.73	0.08	152	3.95	0.06	119	4.08	0.06
232	Therapeutic Environment	891	3.77	0.03	129	3.63	0.08	152	3.82	0.06	119	3.91	0.07
233	Therapeutic Interventions	890	3.95	0.03	128	3.74	0.08	150	3.90	0.06	119	4.03	0.07
234	Thermoregulation Techniques	890	3.65	0.03	129	3.36	0.10	152	3.63	0.07	119	3.72	0.09
235	Time Management	891	4.36	0.02	129	4.35	0.06	152	4.26	0.07	119	4.33	0.06
236	Tissue Perfusion	890	4.21	0.03	129	3.94	0.08	151	4.20	0.07	119	4.11	0.09
237	Total Parenteral Nutrition (TPN) Administration	889	3.57	0.04	129	3.50	0.10	151	3.54	0.09	119	3.61	0.10
238	Tracheostomy Care	888	3.66	0.04	128	3.80	0.10	152	3.72	0.09	118	3.71	0.10
239	Treatments and Procedures	887	4.01	0.03	129	4.06	0.07	152	4.07	0.06	119	3.95	0.08
240	Tube Feedings	889	3.65	0.03	129	3.87	0.08	152	3.64	0.08	119	3.68	0.09
241	Tube Insertion Techniques	890	3.61	0.03	129	3.67	0.09	152	3.61	0.09	119	3.71	0.10
242	Tube Removal Techniques	891	3.58	0.03	129	3.70	0.09	152	3.64	0.09	119	3.68	0.09
243	Unsafe Practice	889	4.53	0.02	129	4.37	0.07	152	4.53	0.06	119	4.61	0.06

Knowledge Statements Subgroup Analysis: Facility													
Survey Position #	Knowledge Statement	Hospital			Long-term Care			Community-based Facility			Other		
		N	Avg.	Std. Err.	N	Avg.	Std. Err.	N	Avg.	Std. Err.	N	Avg.	Std. Err.
244	Urinary Catheter Care	889	4.14	0.03	129	4.12	0.07	152	4.02	0.08	119	4.06	0.09
245	Urinary Catheter Insertion Technique	887	4.20	0.03	128	4.24	0.07	152	4.13	0.08	119	4.14	0.09
246	Vaccinations	888	3.68	0.03	129	3.81	0.09	152	3.80	0.08	119	3.74	0.09
247	Venous Access Devices	889	3.91	0.03	129	3.84	0.09	152	3.88	0.07	119	3.86	0.09
248	Venous Thromboembolism Prophylaxis	892	4.13	0.03	129	3.99	0.08	152	4.01	0.08	117	4.11	0.09
249	Ventilator Management Techniques	891	3.28	0.04	128	3.35	0.13	152	3.46	0.10	118	3.31	0.11
250	Vital Signs	890	4.70	0.02	128	4.66	0.06	152	4.69	0.04	117	4.68	0.06
251	Vulnerable Populations	885	3.69	0.03	129	3.58	0.09	151	3.87	0.07	118	3.81	0.08
252	Wound Assessment	891	4.17	0.03	129	4.34	0.07	152	4.22	0.07	118	4.08	0.08
253	Wound Care	891	4.06	0.03	129	4.37	0.07	151	4.13	0.07	118	3.99	0.08

APPENDIX J: KNOWLEDGE SURVEY NONRESPONDER STUDY

Introduction

The National Council of State Boards of Nursing (NCSBN®) conducted a knowledge statement survey to assess the knowledge newly licensed nurses needed to possess for safe and effective professional practice. The purpose of the study was to inform NCLEX® item development. The overall analyzable response rate for the 2014 Knowledge of Newly Licensed Registered Nurses Survey was 22.9%. Of the 6,350 Newly Licensed RNs, RN Educators and RN Supervisors who were invited to take the survey, 1,375 completed and returned a valid survey. NCSBN made the decision to contact a sample of the nurses who did not respond to the survey in order to determine if the results of the 2014 knowledge survey could be biased. If there is a systematic difference in the ratings of the knowledge statement between responders and nonresponders, then the results could potentially be biased. Ruling out the potential for systematic differences among raters, supports the validity of the results. Additionally, NCSBN wanted to assess the reasons nonresponders did not return the survey in order to increase response rates in future studies.

Methodology

Sample Selection

A random sample of Newly Licensed RNs, RN Educators and RN Supervisors who were invited, but did not respond to the 2014 Knowledge of Newly Licensed Registered Nurses Survey were contacted via telephone. The sample selected for this study was proportionally equivalent to the population of nonresponders.

Telephone Interview Process

Nonresponders were contacted via telephone by a vendor, using telephone numbers provided by NCSBN. Initially, these nonresponders were asked about their reasons for not completing the 2014 Knowledge of Newly Licensed Registered Nurses Survey. To facilitate the gathering of data from nonresponders, NCSBN developed a list

of possible reasons why invitees may not have responded to the survey from prior research. These reasons included: "too busy," "did not care," "do not like/trust surveys," "did not receive it," or they were asked to provide another response. Next, in order to provide background on nonresponders, individuals were asked for employment setting/specialty and length of time in their current position. In addition, responders were asked to rate 10 knowledge statements that were listed in the 2014 Knowledge of Newly Licensed Registered Nurses Survey. Responders were thanked for their time and responses were recorded in a Microsoft Excel® 2010 spreadsheet.

Return Rates

Of the nonresponders who were potential contacts, 92 individuals participated in the study: 31 Newly Licensed RNs, 31 RN Educators and 30 RN Supervisors.

Nonresponder Results

Reasons for Not Responding

In general, reasons for not responding were listed as "did not receive" the survey (43 responses or 47.3%), "too busy" (30 responses or 33.0%), or "other" (15 responses or 16.5%). Two individuals (2.2%) provided "did not care" as a response. One (1.1%) provided "do not like/trust surveys" as a reason for not returning the survey. One person did not answer this question. See Figure 1.

Time at Current Position

Responders were asked how many months they had been in their current position. Nonresponders who were Newly Licensed RNs averaged 11.5 months (1.0 year) at their job compared to responders, who were asked months since graduation and averaged 8.5 months (0.7 year). Nonresponder supervisors spent an average of 251.7 months (21.0 years) at their job compared to responders who spent an average of 127.0 months (10.6 years). Nonresponder educators spent an average of 352.3 months (29.4

Figure J.1. Reasons for Not Responding

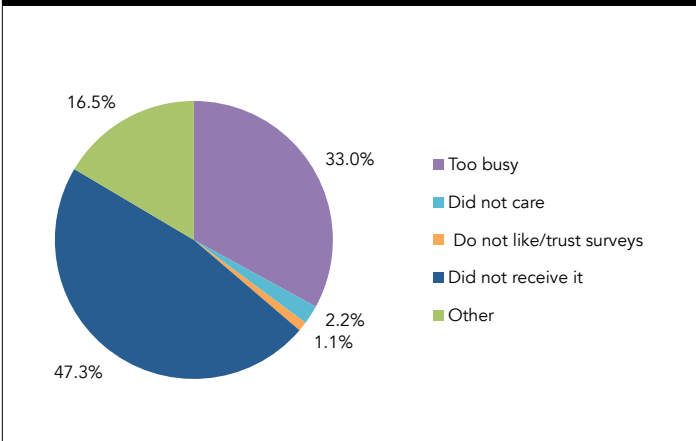
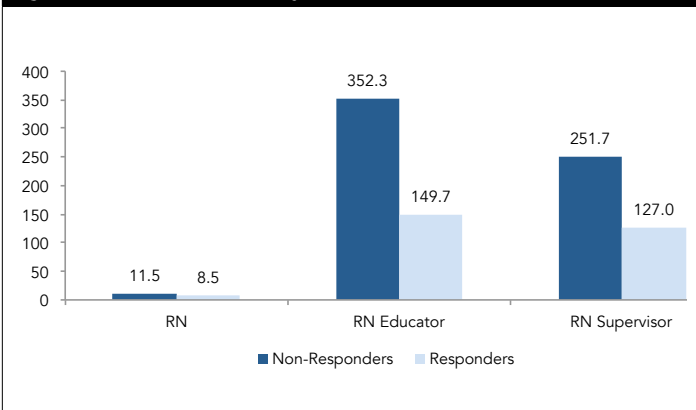


Figure J.2. Months at Position by Job Title



years) at their position compared to responders who averaged and 149.7 months (12.5 years) at their current position. See Figure 2.

Employment Setting/Specialty

Nonresponders were asked to provide their employment setting/specialty area. The different specialties were well represented in this sample. Similar to responders, the largest percentage of Newly Licensed RN nonresponders listed their field as Medical-Surgical unit (25.8% for nonresponders and 32.8% for responders) and Critical Care (25.8% for nonresponders and 25.3% for responders). Both responding and non-responding RN Supervisors listed nursing home as the most frequent employment setting (35.6% and 35.5%, respectively). More than half of the non-responding RN Educators

(54.8% or N=17) replied “academia” as their employment setting whereas the remaining Educators answered “student/school health.” The most frequent employment setting among responding RN Educators was Medical-Surgical unit (39.3%). See Table 1.

Importance Ratings

Importance ratings of the knowledge statements were provided by the nonresponders and compared to the average rating of the same knowledge statements by survey responders. Overall, nonresponders and responders had very similar ratings of knowledge statements. See Table 2.

Summary

This study found that the responders and nonresponders rated the importance of 10 knowledge statements quite similarly. These findings suggest that there are no systematic differences in ratings between the two groups that could bias the results of the study. This lends support to the validity of the findings from the 2014 knowledge survey. Additionally, the findings suggest that individuals did not complete the study because they either “did not receive the survey”, or were “too busy”, or in other situations. Overall, these results provide important information on the validity of the 2014 knowledge survey and why individuals do not complete surveys.

Table J.1. Employment Setting/Specialty for Responders and Nonresponders

Employment Setting	Responders						Nonresponders					
	Newly Licensed RN		RN Educator		RN Supervisor		Newly Licensed RN		RN Educator		RN Supervisor	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
Critical Care	87	25.3	160	19.9	46	20.4	8	25.8	0	0.0	6	19.4
Medical-surgical Unit	113	32.8	317	39.3	75	33.3	8	25.8	0	0.0	1	3.2
Pediatrics	18	5.2	92	11.4	7	3.1	1	3.2	0	0.0	0	0.0
Nursery	10	2.9	91	11.3	7	3.1	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Labor and Delivery	11	3.2	130	16.1	11	4.9	2	6.5	0	0.0	0	0.0
Postpartum Unit	12	3.5	134	16.6	6	2.7	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Psychiatry	23	6.7	187	23.2	18	8.0	2	6.5	0	0.0	1	3.2
Assisted Living	3	0.9	2	0.2	3	1.3	1	3.2	0	0.0	2	6.5
Operating Room	9	2.6	17	2.1	6	2.7	2	6.5	0	0.0	0	0.0
Nursing Home	47	13.7	27	3.3	80	35.6	1	3.2	0	0.0	11	35.5
Other Long-term Care	9	2.6	10	1.2	9	4.0	1	3.2	0	0.0	1	3.2
Rehabilitation	26	7.6	11	1.4	36	16.0	3	9.7	0	0.0	4	12.9
Subacute Unit	2	0.6	7	0.9	10	4.4	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	3.2
Transitional Care Unit	5	1.5	9	1.1	4	1.8	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Physician/dentist's Office	9	2.6	30	3.7	1	0.4	1	3.2	0	0.0	0	0.0
Occupational Health	0	0.0	2	0.2	1	0.4	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Outpatient Clinic	8	2.3	20	2.5	3	1.3	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Home Health	20	5.8	17	2.1	18	8.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Public Health	3	0.9	28	3.5	8	3.6	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Student/school Health	0	0.0	20	2.5	2	0.9	1	3.2	14	45.2	0	0.0
Hospice Care	10	2.9	13	1.6	14	6.2	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	3.2
Prison/correctional facility/jail	4	1.2	6	0.7	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Short Stay	4	1.2	6	0.7	8	3.6	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Step-down Care	18	5.2	20	2.5	6	2.7	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Other*	23	6.7	96	11.9	20	8.9	0	0.0	17	54.8	2	6.5

*Other included nonresponders answering their employment setting as "academia" which was not listed on the survey.

Table J.2. Importance Ratings for Knowledge Statements

Knowledge Statement	Responder Rating	Nonresponder Rating
1. Alternatives to Restraints	3.78 (N = 1350)	4.41 (N = 92)
2. Body Mass Index (BMI)	2.98 (N = 1358)	3.23 (N = 92)
3. Conflict Management and Resolution	3.84 (N = 1352)	4.32 (N = 92)
4. Drug and Medication Withdrawal Care	3.86 (N = 1363)	4.34 (N = 91)
5. Evidence-based Practice	4.29 (N = 1366)	4.64 (N = 92)
6. Moderate Sedation	3.58 (N = 1369)	3.92 (N = 90)
7. Palliative Care	3.81 (N = 1368)	4.13 (N = 92)
8. Professional Competency	4.36 (N = 1368)	4.74 (N = 92)
9. Thermoregulation Techniques	3.65 (N = 1367)	3.64 (N = 91)
10. Ventilator Management Techniques	3.33 (N = 1365)	3.51 (N = 91)

APPENDIX K: LINKING OF KNOWLEDGE STATEMENTS AND ACTIVITY STATEMENTS

Appendix K was developed by the SME panelists and does not reflect the final knowledge statement and categorization

Linking of Knowledge Statements and Activity Statements
1. Management of Care
Perform procedures necessary to safely admit, transfer or discharge a client
Client Assessment
Medication
Client Admission
Discharge Planning
Handoff Communication
Client Environment of Care
Provide and receive handoff of care (report) on assigned clients
Handoff Communication
Documentation Process
Client Assessment
Client Health History
Scope of Practice
Medical Terminology
Assign and supervise care provided by others (e.g., LPN/VN, assistive personnel, other RNs)
Scope of Practice
Principles of Delegation
Supervision of Assistive Personnel
Client Assessment
Advocate for client rights and needs
Client Rights and Responsibilities
Client Assessment
Advance Directives
Client Advocacy
Regulatory Guidelines
Caregiver Resources
Prioritize the delivery of client care
Prioritization of Client Care
Client Assessment
Nursing Process
Client Risk Assessment
Pathophysiology
Principles of Delegation
Participate in performance improvement/quality improvement process
Performance Improvement/Quality Improvement Process
Regulatory Guidelines
Documentation Process
Standards of Care

Linking of Knowledge Statements and Activity Statements
Evidence-based Practice
Collaborate with interprofessional team members when providing client care (e.g., language interpreter, health care professionals)
Client Confidentiality
Professional Resources
Cultural Diversity
Conflict Management and Resolution
Coordination of Client Care
Scopes of Practice for Interprofessional Team Members
Receive and/or transcribe health care provider orders
Medical Terminology
Scope of Practice
Documentation Process
Appropriate Use of Abbreviations
Disease Process
Medications
Client Plan of Care
Integrate advance directives into client plan of care
Scope of Practice
Advance Directives
Client Plan of Care
Regulatory Guidelines for Advanced Directives
Self Determination
Client Rights and Responsibilities
Ethical Principles
Client Advocacy
Report unsafe practice of health care personnel and intervene as appropriate (e.g., substance abuse, improper care, staffing practices)
Scope of Practice
Regulatory Guidelines
Conflict Management and Resolution
Substance Abuse
Unsafe Practice
Reporting Process/Chain of Command
Ethical Principles
Incident Reporting
Client Advocacy
Verify that the client received proper information, comprehends and consents to care and procedures
Client Consent
Teaching and Learning Strategies
Disease Process
Client Plan of Care
Communication Barriers
Documentation Process
Provide education to clients and staff about client rights and responsibilities

Linking of Knowledge Statements and Activity Statements
Client Rights and Responsibilities
Ethical Principles
Teaching and Learning Strategies
Communication Barriers
Client Confidentiality
Recognize the need for referrals and obtain necessary orders
Disease Process
Plan of Care
Discharge Planning
Documentation Processes
Obtaining Orders
Scope of Practice
Client Advocacy
Scopes of Practice for Interprofessional Team Members
Client Assessment
Initiate, evaluate, and update plan of care (e.g., care map, clinical pathway)
Client Plan of Care
Scope of Practice
Disease Process
Client Assessment
Documentation Processes
Client Response to Plan of Care
Maintain client confidentiality and privacy
Client Confidentiality
Client Privacy
Client Rights and Responsibilities
Ethical Principles
Cultural Diversity
Recognize limitations of self and others and seek assistance
Scope of Practice
Professional Resources
Principles of Delegation
Risk Reduction
Awareness of Professional Limitations
Report client conditions as required by law (e.g., abuse/neglect and communicable disease)
Reporting Requirements for Client Conditions
Symptoms of Abuse and Neglect
Communicable Diseases
Documentation of Processes
Types of Abuse and Neglect
Manage conflict among clients and health care staff
Conflict Management and Resolution
Communication Strategies
Client Advocacy

Linking of Knowledge Statements and Activity Statements
Principles of Leadership
Client Safety
Staff Safety
Utilize valid information resources to enhance the care provided to a client (e.g., evidenced-based research, information technology, policies and procedures)
Information Resources
Evidence-based Practice
Recognize ethical dilemmas and take appropriate action
Ethical Principles
Chain of Command
Conflict Management and Resolution
Client Advocacy
Professional Resources
Use approved abbreviations and standard terminology when documenting care
Medical Terminology
Documentation Processes
Organize workload to manage time effectively
Time Management Techniques
Principles of Delegation
Prioritization of Client Care
Nursing Process
Practice in a manner consistent with a code of ethics for registered nurses
Ethical Principles
Scope of Practice
Provide care within the legal scope of practice
Scope of Practice
Regulatory Guidelines
Delegation
Provide cost effective care
Cost Effective Care
Professional Resources
Documentation Process
Client Plan of Care
Delegation
2. Safety and Infection Control
Apply principles of infection control (e.g., hand hygiene, surgical asepsis, isolation, sterile technique, universal/standard precautions)
Standard Precautions
Isolation Process
Disease Processes
Client Safety
Staff Safety
Documentation Process
Protect client from injury (e.g., falls, electrical hazards)
Client Assessment

Linking of Knowledge Statements and Activity Statements
Client Safety
Staff Safety
Disease Processes
Discharge Planning
Reduction of Client Risk
Equipment Safety
Assistive Devices
Client Education Methods
Verify appropriateness and/or accuracy of a treatment order
Medical Terminology
Disease Processes
Client Plan of Care
Medication
Documentation Process
Client Identification
Professional Resources
Follow procedures for handling biohazardous and hazardous materials
Staff Safety
Infection Control
Hazardous Material
Client Safety
Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS)
Hazardous Material Handling
Specimen Collection
Standard Precautions
Follow security plan and procedures (e.g., newborn nursery security, violence, controlled access)
Security Plans
Staff Safety
Conflict Management and Resolution
Client Safety
Professional Resources
Regulatory Standards
Use ergonomic principles when providing care (e.g., safe patient handling, proper lifting)
Body Mechanics
Client Safety
Regulatory Standards
Staff Safety
Equipment Safety
Assistive Devices
Acknowledge and document practice errors (e.g., incident report for medication error)
Practice Errors
Medication Administration
Documentation Process
Client Rights and Responsibilities

Linking of Knowledge Statements and Activity Statements
Error Disclosure
Performance Improvement/Quality Improvement Process
Ethical Principles
Incident Reporting
Ensure proper identification of client when providing care
Client Identification
Client Advocacy
Professional Communication
Facilitate appropriate and safe use of equipment
Equipment Safety
Staff Safety
Client Safety
Delegation Principles
Teaching and Learning Strategies
Educate client on safety issues (e.g., home, school, transportation)
Teaching and Learning Strategies
Client Rights and Responsibilities
Client Risk Assessment
Client Risk Reduction
Client Safety
Community Resources
Discharge Planning
Implement emergency response plans (e.g., internal/external disaster, bomb threat, community planning)
Community Resources
Emergency Response Plans
Emergency Response Roles and Responsibilities
Scope of Practice
Follow requirements for use of restraints and/or safety devices (e.g., least restrictive restraints, timed client monitoring)
Regulatory Guidelines
Client Rights and Responsibilities
Disease Process
Equipment Safety
Documentation Processes
Client Assessment
Behavioral Management Techniques
Client Advocacy
Ethical Principles
Conflict Management and Resolution
Client Safety
Types of Client Restraints
Staff Safety
Educate client and staff regarding infection control measures
Infection Control Standards

Linking of Knowledge Statements and Activity Statements
Infection Transmission
Teaching and Learning Strategies
Client Safety
Documentation Processes
Staff Safety
Standard Precautions
Assess client for allergies and intervene as needed (e.g., food, latex, environmental allergies)
Allergic Reaction Interventions
Professional Resources
Client Assessment
Documentation Processes
Medication Side Effects
Client Safety
Types of Allergic Reactions
3. Health Promotion and Maintenance
Provide prenatal care and education
Prenatal Care
Stages of Pregnancy
Disease Processes
Client Assessment
Teaching and Learning Strategies
Professional Resources
Documentation Processes
Plan and/or participate in community health education
Teaching and Learning Strategies
Vaccinations
Community Resources
Community Health
Population Specific Health Risks
Disease Prevention and Treatment Techniques
Screening Assessments
Cultural Awareness
Perform targeted screening assessments (e.g., vision, breast self examination, nutrition)
Screening Tools
Types of Screening Assessments
Community Resources
Focused Physical Assessments
Regulatory Guidelines
Documentation Processes
Stages of Development
Evidence-based Guidelines
Provide information for prevention and treatment of high risk health behaviors (e.g., smoking cessation, safe sexual practice, needle exchange)
High Risk Health Behaviors

Linking of Knowledge Statements and Activity Statements
Teaching and Learning Strategies
Client Confidentiality
Risk Reduction
Community Resources
Client Assessment
Disease Processes
Health Promotion Behaviors
Provide information about health promotion and maintenance recommendations (e.g., physician visits, immunizations)
Health Promotion Behaviors
Client Education
Health Risk Behaviors
Client Rights and Responsibilities
Client Centered Care
Teaching and Learning Strategies
Evidence-based Guidelines
Barriers to Client Care
Provide care and education to a client in labor or antepartum client
Labor
Fetal Monitoring
Antepartum
Stages of Labor
Complications of Labor
Pain Management
New Parent Education
Client Identification
Client Assessment
Client Safety
Consent
Privacy
Medication
Ethical Principles
Client Centered Care
Evidence-based Guidelines
Client Rights and Responsibilities
Family Dynamics
Professional Resources
Scope of Practice
Documentation Processes
Provide post-partum care and education
Post-Partum Care
Client Assessment
Teaching and Learning Strategies
Disease Processes
New Parent Education

Linking of Knowledge Statements and Activity Statements
Professional Resources
Documentation Processes
Community Resources
Evidence-based Guidelines
Client Identification
Emergency Plans
Client Safety
Newborn Screening
Perform comprehensive health assessments
Comprehensive Health Assessment
Anatomy and Physiology
Pathophysiology
Assessment Tools
Documentation Processes
Developmental Stages
Scope of Practice
Professional Communication
Diagnostic Tests
Comprehensive Health History
Client's Health Knowledge
Assess client's readiness to learn, learning preferences and barriers to learning
Barriers to Learning
Teaching and Learning Strategies
Nonverbal Cues
Client's Health Knowledge
Client Centered Care
Professional Resources
Provide care and education for the newborn less than 1 month old through the infant or toddler client through 2 years
Client Care for Newborn
Client Assessment
Client Care for Infant
Client Care for Toddler
Developmental Milestones
Developmental Stages
New Parent Education
Risk Reduction Interventions
Provide care and education for the preschool, school age and adolescent client ages 3 through 17 years
Client Care for Preschool Aged Child
Client Care for School Aged Child
Client Care for Adolescent
Developmental Stages
Developmental Milestones
Risk Reduction Interventions
Teaching and Learning Strategies

Linking of Knowledge Statements and Activity Statements
High Risk Health Behaviors
Health Promotion Behaviors
Consent
Client Centered Care
Provide care and education for the adult client ages 18 through 64 years
Client Care for Adults
Risk Reduction Interventions
Teaching and Learning Strategies
High Risk Health Behaviors
Health Promotion Behaviors
Client Centered Care
Provide care and education for the adult client ages 65 through 85 years and over
Client Care for Older Adults
Aging Process
Risk Reduction Interventions
Teaching and Learning Strategies
High Risk Health Behaviors
Health Promotion Behaviors
Client Centered Care
Assess client ability to manage care in home environment and plan care accordingly (e.g., equipment, community resources)
Client Assessment
Client Safety
Community Resource
Discharge Planning
Equipment Safety
Teaching and Learning Strategies
Client Centered Care
Medication Safety
Disease Processes
Assess and teach clients about health risks based on family, population, and/or community characteristics
Teaching and Learning Strategies
Client's Health Knowledge
Modifiable and Nonmodifiable Risk Factors
Client Assessment
Client Centered Care
Community Resources
Cultural Awareness
Client Plan of Care
4. Psychosocial Integrity
Assess psychosocial, spiritual and occupational factors affecting care, and plan interventions
Client Assessment
Professional Resources
Psychosocial Factors Affecting Care
Occupational Factors Affecting Care

Linking of Knowledge Statements and Activity Statements

Spiritual Factors Affecting Care
Therapeutic Communication
Client Centered Care
Client Rights and Responsibilities
Discharge Planning
Cultural Diversity
Client Plan of Care
Advocacy
Assess client for abuse or neglect and intervene as appropriate
Client Assessment
Client Safety
Staff Safety
Symptoms of Abuse and Neglect
Regulatory Guidelines
Professional Resources
Ethical Principles
Assess client for drug/alcohol dependencies, withdrawal, or toxicities and intervene as appropriate
Client Assessment
Professional Resource
High Risk Behaviors
Withdrawal Care
Diagnostic Tests
Client Safety
Medications
Signs and Symptoms of Chemical Dependencies
Non Pharmacological Comfort Measures
Restraint Use
Nutritional Assessment
Seizure Protocols
Staff Safety
Disease Process
Provide care and education for acute and chronic psychosocial health issues (e.g., addictions/dependencies, depression, dementia, eating disorders)
Client Centered Care
Discharge Planning
Regulatory Guidelines
Professional Resources
Disease Process
Client Privacy
Client Coping Mechanisms
Medications
Nonverbal Cues
Client Advocacy
Nutritional Assessment

Linking of Knowledge Statements and Activity Statements
Teaching and Learning Strategies
Vulnerable Populations
Client Safety
Family Dynamics
Psychosocial Assessment
Provide a therapeutic environment
Client Centered Care
Nonpharmacological Measures
Therapeutic Communication
Confidentiality
Time Management Techniques
Privacy
Therapeutic Environment
Incorporate client cultural practice and beliefs when planning and providing care
Cultural Factors Affecting Care
Spiritual Factors Affecting Care
Client Centered Care
Ethical Principles
Professional Resources
Cultural Awareness
Client Assessment
Regulatory Guidelines
Provide end of life care and education to clients
Client Centered Care
Therapeutic Environment
Pharmacologic Comfort Measures
Cultural Factors Affecting Care
Teaching and Learning Techniques
Professional Resources
Advance Directives
Client Advocacy
Discharge Planning
Nurse Self Awareness
Spiritual Factors Affecting Care
Palliative Care
Nonpharmacological Comfort Measures
Death and Dying
Life Transitions
Grieving Process
Family Dynamics
Assess the potential for violence and use safety precautions (e.g., suicide, homicide, self-destructive behavior)
Client Assessment
Psychological Assessment

Linking of Knowledge Statements and Activity Statements

Client Safety
Client Surveillance
Professional Resources
Family Dynamics
Client Advocacy
Risk Reduction
Vulnerable Populations
Emergency Plans
Community Resources
Staff Safety
Regulatory Guidelines
Suicide Precautions
Restraints
Medications
Therapeutic Communication
Disease Process
Assess family dynamics to determine plan of care (e.g., structure, bonding, communication, boundaries, coping mechanisms)
Client Assessment
Family Dynamics
Coping Mechanisms
Therapeutic Communication
Risk Reduction
Community Resources
Professional Resources
Client Centered Care
Client Plan of Care
Nursing Process
Assess client in coping with life changes and provide support (e.g., palliative, amputation, new diagnosis)
Client Assessment
Coping Mechanisms
Cultural Diversity
Developmental Stages
Discharge Planning
Client Centered Care
Palliative Care
Nonpharmacological Comfort Measures
Pharmacologic Comfort Measures
Stages of Death and Dying
Grieving Process
Professional Resources
Community Resources
Disease Process
Therapeutic Communication
Assistive Devices

Linking of Knowledge Statements and Activity Statements
Use therapeutic communication techniques to provide client support
Therapeutic Communication Techniques
Nonverbal Cues
Staff Safety
Client Safety
Coping Mechanisms
Developmental Stages
Cultural Factors Affecting Care
Therapeutic Environment
Incorporate behavioral management techniques when caring for a client (e.g., positive reinforcement, setting limits, de-escalation techniques)
Behavioral Management Techniques
Nurse Self Awareness
Documentation Processes
Risk Reduction Strategies
Ethical Principles
Developmental Stages
Behavioral Health Issues
Restraints
Barriers to Learning
Teaching and Learning Techniques
De-Escalation Techniques
Client Centered Care
Setting Limits
Client Safety
Staff Safety
Therapeutic Communication
Recognize non-verbal cues to physical and/or psychological stressors
Nonverbal Cues
Client Assessment
Client Safety
Disease Processes
Physical Stressors
Psychological Stressors
High Risk Behaviors
Provide care for a client experiencing visual, auditory or cognitive distortions (e.g., hallucinations)
Vulnerable Populations
Psychosocial Assessment
Staff Safety
Client Centered Care
Medication Side Effects
Professional Resources
Client Safety
Therapeutic Communication

Linking of Knowledge Statements and Activity Statements

Alternatives to Restraints
Client Assessment
Medications
Disease Processes
5. Basic Care and Comfort
Assess and intervene in client performance of activities of daily living
Client Assessment
Activities of Daily Living (ADL)
Client Safety
Assistive Devices
Professional Resources
Client Plan of Care
Discharge Planning
Community Resources
Provide client nutrition through continuous or intermittent tube feedings
Anatomy and Physiology
Enteral Feeding Tubes
Documentation Process
Client Assessment
Professional Resources
Fluid and Electrolytes
Intake and Output
Aspiration Precautions
Client Diet Types
Diagnostic Procedures
Coping Mechanisms
Teaching and Learning Techniques
Evidence Based Practice
Client Safety
Perform post-mortem care
Post Mortem Care
Client Dignity
Documentation Process
Cultural Factors Affecting Care
Professional Resources
Nurse Self Awareness
Family Dynamics
Regulatory Guidelines
Spiritual Factors Affecting Care
Community Resources
Perform irrigations (e.g., of bladder, ear, eye)
Irrigation Techniques
Sterile Technique

Linking of Knowledge Statements and Activity Statements
Anatomy and Physiology
Client Assessment
Drainage Device Care
Medical Equipment
Documentation Process
Fluid and Electrolytes
Client Education
Biohazardous Materials
Specimen Collection
Standard Precautions
Assist client to compensate for a physical or sensory impairment (e.g., assistive devices, positioning, compensatory techniques)
Assistive Devices
Coping Skills
Teaching and Learning Techniques
Professional Resources
Client Positioning Techniques
Body Mechanics
Risk Reduction
Client Safety
Client Assessment
Client Advocacy
Perform skin assessment and implement measures to maintain skin integrity and prevent skin breakdown (e.g., turning, repositioning, pressure-relieving support surfaces)
Client Assessment
Client Safety
Client Skin Assessment
Nutritional Assessment
Documentation Processes
Evidence Based Practice
Professional Resources
Wound Assessment
Wound Care
Client Positioning
Pressure Relieving Support Surfaces
Medical Equipment
Assistive Devices
Assess and manage client with an alteration in elimination (e.g., bowel, urinary)
Ostomy Care
Client Assessment
Drainage Device Care
Drainage Device Insertion Techniques
Specimen Collection
Risk Reduction Strategies
Evidence Based Practice

Linking of Knowledge Statements and Activity Statements

Aseptic Technique

Client Dignity

Disease Processes

Professional Resources

Delegation

Standard Precautions

Client Safety

Infection Control Standards

Intake and Output

Fluid and Electrolytes

Incontinence Care

Client Education

Medications

Medical Equipment

Apply, maintain or remove orthopedic devices (e.g., traction, splints, braces, casts)

Orthopedic Devices

Professional Resources

Pain Management

Teaching and Training Techniques

Circulation Movement and Sensation Assessment

Plan of Care

Medical Equipment

Body Image

Disease Processes

Risk Reduction Strategies

Body Mechanics

Client Positioning

Assistive Devices

Skin Assessments

Client Safety

Discharge Planning

Apply and maintain devices used to promote venous return (e.g., anti-embolic stockings, sequential compression devices)

Promotion of Circulation Techniques

Client Education

Tissue Perfusion

Medical Equipment

Client Assessment

Delegation

Anatomy and Physiology

Nursing Process

Venous Thromboembolism Prophylaxis

Risk Reduction Strategies

Evidence Based Practice

Provide non-pharmacological comfort measures (e.g., light dimming, warm blanket)

Linking of Knowledge Statements and Activity Statements
Non-Pharmacological Comfort Measures
Therapeutic Interventions
Professional Resources
Coping Mechanisms
Therapeutic Environment
Client Advocacy
Recognize complementary therapies and identify potential contraindications (e.g., aromatherapy, acupuncture, supplements)
Complementary Therapies
Client Health History
Professional Resources
Risk Reduction
Disease Processes
Medication Reconciliation
Client Centered Care
Cultural Diversity
Medication Interactions
Non-Pharmacological Comfort Measures
Nurse Self Awareness
Ethical Principles
Manage the client's nutritional intake (e.g., adjust diet, monitor height and weight)
Professional Resources
Intake and Output
Cultural Awareness
Disease Processes
Nutritional Assessment
Client Needs Assessment
Diagnostic Tests
Body Image
Normal Vital Signs
Client Diet Types
Documentation Processes
Client Education
Body Mass Index Scale
Fluid and Electrolytes
Assess client need for sleep/rest and intervene as needed
Time Management Techniques
Medications
Client Advocacy
Psychosocial Factors Affecting Care
Therapeutic Interventions
Professional Resources
Therapeutic Environment
Client Assessment
Client Sleep and Rest Requirements

Linking of Knowledge Statements and Activity Statements

Non-Pharmacological Comfort Measures
Evaluate client intake and output and intervene as needed
Intake and Output
Documentation Processes
Disease Processes
Client Assessment
Medications
Fluid and Electrolytes
Professional Resources
Client Centered Care
Cultural Awareness
Implement measures to promote circulation (e.g., active or passive range of motion, positioning and mobilization)
Circulation Movement and Sensation Assessment
Tissue Perfusion
Early Client Mobilization
Circulation Devices
Client Activity Orders
Client Education
Evidence Based Practice
Client Positioning and Mobilization Techniques
Professional Resources
Body Mechanics
Assess client need for pain management
Client Assessment
Nonverbal Cues
Pain Assessment
Pain Management Techniques
Non-Pharmacological Comfort Measures
Pharmacologic Comfort Measures
Disease Processes
Risk Reduction
Conflict Management and Resolution
Cultural Awareness
Client Centered Care
6. Pharmacological and Parenteral Therapies
Evaluate appropriateness and accuracy of medication order for client
Medication Orders
Client Assessment
Treatment Regimens
Professional Resources
Allergies
Client Safety
Order Accuracy and Timeliness
Transcription Process

Linking of Knowledge Statements and Activity Statements
Medical Terminology
Medication Reconciliation
Disease Processes
Medications
Client Plan of Care
Prepare and administer medications, using rights of medication administration
Rights of Medication Administration
Medication Preparation
Medication Classifications
Aseptic Technique
Medical Equipment
Medical Terminology
Medications
Error Disclosure
Incident Reporting
Documentation Processes
Professional Resources
Client Safety
Staff Safety
Medication Safety
Medication Calculations
Client Identification
Client Education
Medication Administration Techniques
Scope of Practice
Regulatory Guidelines
Adverse Medication Reactions
Medication Error Prevention
Medication Side Effects
Perform calculations needed for medication administration
Medication Calculations
Client Data Collection
Metric Conversions
Medication Therapeutic Ranges
Professional Resources
Rights of Medication Administration
Monitor intravenous infusion and maintain site (e.g., central, PICC, epidural and venous access devices)
Infusion Device Types
Infusion Site Assessment
Fluids and Electrolytes
Medications
Client Safety
Medical Equipment
Evidence Based Practice

Linking of Knowledge Statements and Activity Statements
Emergency Care
Infusion Device Complications
Catheter Maintenance Care
Infection Control Techniques
Aseptic Technique
Pain Management
Administer controlled substances within regulatory guidelines (e.g., witness, waste)
Controlled Substances
Regulatory Guidelines
Rights of Medication Administration
Incident Reporting
Professional Resources
Ethical Principles
Substance Abuse
Handle and maintain medication in a safe and controlled environment
Aseptic Technique
Regulatory Guidelines
Proper Medication Storage
Medication Safety
Medication Security
Rights of Medication Administration
Medical Equipment
Documentation Processes
Hazardous Material
Review pertinent data prior to medication administration (e.g., contraindications, lab results, allergies, potential interactions)
Rights of Medication Administration
Client Assessment
Vital Signs
Medication Reconciliation
Allergies
Diagnostic Tests
Medication Interactions
Medication Reference Material
Medication Therapeutic Ranges
Order Accuracy
Titrate dosage of medication based on assessment and ordered parameters (e.g., giving insulin according to blood glucose levels, titrating medication to maintain a specific blood pressure)
Diagnostic Tests
Medication Calculations
Client Assessment
Vital Signs
Medical Equipment
Medication Therapeutic Ranges
Scope of Practice

Linking of Knowledge Statements and Activity Statements
Medication Titration
Medication Reference Material
Order Accuracy
Nursing Process
Disease Processes
Hemodynamics
Administer blood products and evaluate client response
Consent
Adverse Blood Product Reaction
Client Assessment
Blood Product Types
Blood Product Administration
Client Identification
Cultural Factors Affecting Care
Spiritual Factors Affecting Care
Emergency Care
Diagnostic Tests
Client Safety
Reporting Process
Vital Signs
Blood Product Handling
Biohazardous Material Handling
Regulatory Guidelines
Infusion Delivery Devices
Access venous access devices, including tunneled, implanted and central lines
Venous Access Devices
Aseptic Technique
Client Safety
Emergency Care
Infusion Delivery Devices
Evidence Based Practice
Teaching and Learning Strategies
Site Assessment
Dressing Change Techniques
Infection Control
Educate client about medications
Client Education
Medication Interactions
Community Resources
Medication Reference Materials
Medication Error Prevention
Medication Administration
Client Safety
Teaching and Learning Strategies

Linking of Knowledge Statements and Activity Statements

Medications

Client Centered Care

Medication Side Effects

Evaluate client response to medication (e.g., therapeutic effects, side effects, adverse reactions)

Client Assessment

Vital Signs

Documentation Processes

Nonverbal Cues

Pain Assessment

Types of Allergic Reactions

Medication Therapeutic Effects

Diagnostic Tests

Adverse Medication Reaction

Client Education

Administer parenteral nutrition and evaluate client response (i.e., TPN)

Disease Process

Professional Resources

Nutritional Assessment

Client Assessment

Diagnostic Tests

Vital Signs

Client Advocacy

Infection Control

Infusion Delivery Devices

Site Assessment

Evidence Based Practice

TPN Administration

Administer pharmacological measures for pain management

Pain Management

Medications

Controlled Substances

Rights of Medication Administration

Medication Side Effects

Client Education

Medication Therapeutic Ranges

Medication Abuse

Client Assessment

Pain Scales

Scope of Practice

Medication Calculations

Participate in medication reconciliation process

Medication Reconciliation

Documentation Processes

Linking of Knowledge Statements and Activity Statements

Client Health History

Client Handoff Process

Medication Contraindications

Medical Terminology

Discharge Planning

Client Admission, Transfer Or Discharge

Complimentary Therapies

Professional Resources

Client Safety

Nonprescribed Drugs

Generic and Trade Medication Names

7. Reduction of Risk Potential

Assess and respond to changes in client vital signs

Vital Signs

Client Assessment

Emergency Care

Delegation

Professional Resources

Documentation Processes

Hemodynamics

Disease Processes

Specimen Collection

Temperature Regulation Techniques

Medications

Scope of Practice

Nursing Process

Perform focused assessment

Focused Assessment

Anatomy and Physiology

Client Plan of Care

Disease Processes

Documentation Processes

Client Positioning

Provide intraoperative care

Vital Signs

Aseptic Technique

Intraoperative Care

Invasive Procedures

Regulatory Guidelines

Client Data Collection

Documentation Processes

Medications

Emergency Plans

Client Positioning

Linking of Knowledge Statements and Activity Statements

Skin Integrity

Monitor the results of diagnostic testing and intervene as needed

Diagnostic Tests

Abnormal Test Results

Critical Value Reporting

Disease Processes

Medications

Emergency Plans

Client Assessment

Client Data Collection

Documentation Processes

Prioritization of Care

Perform diagnostic testing (e.g., electrocardiogram, oxygen saturation, glucose monitoring)

Diagnostic Tests

Specimen Collection

Basic Cardiac Rhythms

Vital Signs

Client Assessment

Client Education

Anatomy and Physiology

Client Safety

Client Comfort

Medical Equipment

Prioritization of Care

Evidence Based Practice

Client Identification

Evaluate responses to procedures and treatments

Client Assessment

Disease Processes

Client Plan of Care

Procedure and Treatment Complications

Client Safety

Therapeutic Effects

Client Advocacy

Vital Signs

Provide preoperative and postoperative education

Disease Processes

Preoperative Care

Postoperative Care

Teaching and Learning Strategies

Client Education

Barriers to Learning

Consent

Provide preoperative care

Linking of Knowledge Statements and Activity Statements
Consent
Coping Mechanisms
Preoperative Care
Specimen Collection
Evidence Based Practice
Professional Communication
Client Identification
Skin Preparation
Infection Control
Aseptic Technique
Pain Management
Diagnostic Tests
Manage client during and/or following a procedure with moderate sedation
Moderate Sedation
Vital Signs
Airway Management
Basic Cardiac Rhythms
Client Identification
Client Assessment
Client Education
Medications
Oxygen Delivery Systems
Emergency Response
Scope of Practice
Documentation Processes
Obtain blood specimens peripherally or through central line
Aseptic Technique
Blood Specimen Collection Techniques
Biohazardous Material Handling
Client Identification
Delegation
Specimen Handling
Professional Competency Limitations
Use precautions to prevent injury and/or complications associated with a procedure or diagnosis
Client Safety
Standard Precautions
Evidence Based Practice
Biohazardous Material Handling
Client Identification
Risk Reduction
Client Education
Staff Safety
Body Mechanics
Delegation

Linking of Knowledge Statements and Activity Statements
Educate client about treatments and procedures
Client Education
Teaching and Learning Strategies
Barriers to Learning
Consent
Disease Processes
Treatments and Procedures
Client Centered Care
Professional Resources
Obtain specimens other than blood for diagnostic testing (e.g., wound, stool, urine)
Specimen Collection Techniques
Standard Precautions
Client Identification
Disease Processes
Diagnostic Tests
Specimen Handling
Biohazardous Material Handling
Delegation
Insert, maintain or remove a gastric tube
Enteral Tubes
Tube Feedings
Anatomy and Physiology
Tube Insertion Techniques
Tube Removal Techniques
Diagnostic Tests
Client Assessment
Aspiration Precautions
Suctioning Techniques
Skin Assessment
Device Assessment
Insert, maintain or remove a urinary catheter
Urinary Catheter Care
Aseptic Technique
Skin Assessment
Privacy
Client Education
Intake and Output
Infection Control
Urinary Catheter Insertion Technique
Evidence Based Practice
Drainage Devices
Insert, maintain or remove a peripheral intravenous line
Venous Site Assessment
Peripheral Intravenous Line Insertion Techniques

Linking of Knowledge Statements and Activity Statements
Medical Equipment
Staff Safety
Infection Control
Anatomy and Physiology
Site Selection
Venous Complications
Venous Access Device Type
Client Education
Regulatory Guidelines
Client Comfort
Recognize trends and changes in client condition and intervene as needed
Client Assessment
Vital Signs
Client Data Collection
Changes In Client Condition
Emergency Response
Professional Communication
Disease Processes
Client Plan of Care
Diagnostic Tests
8. Physiological Adaptation
Monitor and maintain devices and equipment used for drainage (e.g., surgical wound drains, chest tube suction, negative pressure wound therapy)
Drainage Devices
Medical Equipment
Client Assessment
Wound Assessment
Emergency Response
Pain Management
Professional Resources
Skin Integrity
Infection Control
Intake and Output
Suctioning Techniques
Documentation Processes
Perform emergency care procedures (e.g., cardio-pulmonary resuscitation, respiratory support, automated external defibrillator)
Emergency Care Procedures
Regulatory Guidelines
Basic Cardiac Rhythms
Oxygen Delivery Systems
Medications
Advance Directives
Professional Resources
Documentation Processes

Linking of Knowledge Statements and Activity Statements

Ethical Principles
Client Assessment
Medical Equipment
Monitor and care for clients on a ventilator
Restraints
Oxygen Delivery Systems
Diagnostic Tests
Suctioning Techniques
Medications
Client Safety
Evidence Based Practice
Coping Mechanisms
Client Comfort
Professional Resources
Client Positioning
Client Assessment
Disease Processes
Ventilator Management
Infection Control
Medical Equipment
Skin Assessment
Perform wound care or dressing change
Wound Care
Client Assessment
Infection Control
Order Accuracy and Timeliness
Aseptic Technique
Regulatory Guidelines
Client Education
Professional Resources
Pain Management
Dressing Types
Dressing Change Techniques
Medical Equipment
Evidence Based Practice
Assist with invasive procedures (e.g., central line, thoracentesis, bronchoscopy)
Invasive Procedures
Professional Resources
Pain Management
Client Positioning
Client Identification
Standard Precautions
Specimen Handling
Medical Procedures

Linking of Knowledge Statements and Activity Statements
Order Accuracy and Timeliness
Scope of Practice
Consent
Medical Equipment
Aseptic Technique
Documentation Processes
Provide ostomy care and education (e.g., tracheal, enteral)
Ostomy Care
Tracheostomy Care
Skin Assessment
Suctioning Techniques
Client Assessment
Infection Control
Disease Processes
Teaching and Learning Strategies
Oxygen Delivery Systems
Dressing Change Techniques
Site Assessment
Body Image
Barriers to Learning
Provide postoperative care
Postoperative Care
Vital Signs
Pain Management
Client Assessment
Client Education
Dressing Changes
Invasive Line Care
Client Positioning
Sedation Care
Oxygen Delivery Systems
Intake and Output
Diagnostic Tests
Cardiac Rhythms
Client Mobilization
Wound Care
Perform and manage care of client receiving peritoneal dialysis
Peritoneal Dialysis Care
Drainage Device Care
Intake and Output
Body Image
Documentation Processes
Client Safety
Biohazardous Material Handling

Linking of Knowledge Statements and Activity Statements

Infection Control

Fluid and Electrolytes

Vital Signs

Aseptic Technique

Wound Care

Client Education

Discharge Planning

Medical Equipment

Disease Process

Medications

Perform hemodialysis or continuous renal replacement therapy

Hemodialysis Care

Renal Replacement Therapy

Hemodynamics

Blood Product Administration

Anatomy and Physiology

Professional Resources

Medical Equipment

Disease Process

Site Assessment

Invasive Line Care

Cardiac Rhythms

Fluid and Electrolytes

Emergency Care

Medications

Risk Reduction

Circulation Movement and Sensation Assessment

Fistula Care

Client Assessment

Vital Signs

Perform suctioning (e.g., oral, nasopharyngeal, endotracheal, tracheal)

Suctioning Techniques

Medical Equipment

Professional Resources

Oxygen Delivery Systems

Pain Management

Airway Management

Standard Precautions

Personal Protective Equipment

Client Assessment

Client Comfort

Client Positioning

Specimen Collection

Anatomy and Physiology

Linking of Knowledge Statements and Activity Statements
Biohazardous Material Handling
Provide pulmonary hygiene (e.g., chest physiotherapy, incentive spirometry)
Client Education
Medical Equipment
Professional Resources
Pulmonary Hygiene Techniques
Suctioning Techniques
Medications
Oxygen Delivery Systems
Barriers to Learning
Pain Management
Teaching and Learning Strategies
Client Assessment
Manage the care of a client on telemetry
Cardiac Rhythms
Client Assessment
Medical Equipment
Skin Assessment
Cardiac Lead Placement
Vital Signs
Emergency Care
Medications
Professional Resources
Scope of Practice
Delegation
Manage the care of a client with impaired ventilation/oxygenation
Oxygen Delivery Systems
Vital Signs
Skin Care
Emergency Care
Airway Management
Ventilator Management Techniques
Restraints
Medications
Disease Process
Client Assessment
Medical Equipment
Diagnostic Tests
Client Positioning
Pulmonary Hygiene Techniques
Professional Resources
Client Comfort
Maintain optimal temperature of client (e.g., cooling and/or warming blanket)
Vital Signs

Linking of Knowledge Statements and Activity Statements
Thermoregulation Techniques
Medical Equipment
Infection Control
Client Safety
Professional Resources
Client Assessment
Disease Process
Diagnostic Tests
Medications
Client Comfort
Client Plan of Care
Complications of Hypo/Hyperthermia
Implement and monitor phototherapy
Phototherapy
Client Assessment
Medical Equipment
Diagnostic Tests
Disease Process
Client Safety
Teaching and Learning Techniques
Client Education
New Parent Education
Discharge Planning
Intake and Output
Skin Care
Manage the care of a client with a pacing device (e.g., pacemaker, vagus nerve stimulator)
Pacing Devices
Cardiac Rhythms
Emergency Care
Disease Process
Medications
Client Assessment
Professional Resources
Client Safety
Anatomy and Physiology
Client Education
Pain Management
Medical Equipment
Monitor and maintain arterial lines
Arterial Line Complications
Arterial Line Monitoring
Client Assessment
Professional Resources
Infection Control

Linking of Knowledge Statements and Activity Statements
Specimen Collection
Diagnostic Testsing
Tissue Perfusion
Hemodynamics
Invasive Line Care
Arterial Blood Gas
Site Assessment
Client Safety
Manage the care of the client with a fluid and electrolyte imbalance
Fluid and Electrolyte
Disease Process
Diagnostic Testsing
Basic Cardiac Rhythms
Client Safety
Professional Resources
Client Assessment
Vital Signs
Intake and Output
Medications
Emergency Care
Client Education
Hemodynamics
Manage the care of a client with alteration in hemodynamics, tissue perfusion and hemostasis (e.g., cerebral, cardiac, peripheral)
Hemodynamics
Basic Cardiac Rhythms
Tissue Perfusion
Intake and Output
Hemostasis
Sepsis
Infection Control
Cerebral Vascular Accident
Anatomy and Physiology
Types of Physiologic Shock
Invasive Line Care
Medications
Client Assessment
Vital Signs
Diagnostic Tests
Evidence Based Practice
Client Education
Evaluate the effectiveness of the treatment regimen for a client with an acute or chronic diagnosis
Client Assessment
Client Plan of Care

Linking of Knowledge Statements and Activity Statements
Client Comfort
Client Centered Care
Nursing Process
Diagnostic Tests
Family Dynamics
Coping Skills
Medications
Disease Process
Cultural Awareness
Professional Resources
Medical Equipment
Anatomy and Physiology
Community Resources
Teaching and Learning Techniques
Evidence Based Practice
Identify pathophysiology related to an acute or chronic condition (e.g., signs and symptoms)
Disease Process
Pathophysiology
Client Assessment
Diagnostic Tests
Medical Reference Materials
Professional Resources
Anatomy and Physiology
Client Data Collection
Manage the care of a client receiving hemodialysis
Client Assessment
Hemodialysis Care
Vital Signs
Discharge Planning
Hemodynamics
Disease Process
Anatomy and Physiology
Client Rights and Responsibilities
Ethical Principles
Infection Control
Time Management
Coping Strategies
Invasive Line Care
Client Education
Scope of Practice
Intake and Output
Medical Equipment
Medications
Delegation

Linking of Knowledge Statements and Activity Statements
Professional Resources
Fistula Care
Client Safety
Circulation Movement and Sensation Assessment
Recognize signs and symptoms of complications and intervene appropriately when providing client care
Client Assessment
Client Plan of Care
Disease Process
Basic Cardiac Rhythms
Vital Signs
Emergency Response
Diagnostic Tests
Therapeutic Interventions
Medications
Pathophysiology
Anatomy and Physiology
Professional Resources
Educate client regarding an acute or chronic condition
Client Assessment
Teaching and Learning Techniques
Client Education
Barriers to Learning
Community Resources
Cultural Awareness
Coping Strategies
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