CLINICAL JUDGMENT IN CRITICAL CARE SETTINGS

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PROFESSIONAL NURSES IN CRITICAL CARE SETTINGS

- Some believe that expert nurse is some one who has sound clinical judgment
- Senior nurse's importance as role models to improve the quality of care
- How fast a nurse can gain this ability is highly dependent of previous knowledge and experiences
Based on current clinical setting demands, attention to the elements in nursing practice which directly affect patient outcome is crucial.

Synergy model developed by AACN in late 1990 as the foundation of certified practice and has been used by a variety of clinical settings.

This model describing nursing practice based on the needs and characteristics of patients.

When patient characteristics and nurse competencies match optimal patient outcome will be gained.
NURSE COMPETENCIES IMPORTANT TO PATIENT CARE

- Clinical judgment
- Advocacy/moral agency
- Caring practice
- Facilitator of learning
- Collaboration
- System thinking
- Response to diversity
- Clinical inquiry
NURSE’S COMPETENCIES FOR CLINICAL JUDGMENT

- Pay attention to available informations and observation
- Reasoning and deduction based on observations
- Summarizing to reach an reasoning deduction

- Observation ability
- Detecting relative information
- Detecting the relationship between different elements
- Reasoning
Clinical judgment is clinical reasoning that includes clinical decision making, critical thinking, and global grasp of the situation, coupled with nursing skills acquired through a process of integrating formal and experiential knowledge.
HOW TO THINK AS A NURSE?
THINK AS AN EXPERT NURSE

- Oversee of what has not happened yet
- Fast and on time response when something happens or going to be happen
- Using knowledge and previous experiences
- Thinking forward; thinking in action; thinking back