National profiles for Nursing



Profile Suite and Label	Nursing: Band 5		
Job Statement	 Responsibility for managing of patients/clients within a defined clinical service/area, providing evidence based care and advice. Provides a nursing assessment of patients/clients; plans, develops and/or implements and evaluates programmes of care; Provide clinical supervision to other staff, students May be responsible for routine work allocation and checking of tasks of support staff and/or less experienced staff. Provide health promotion information, advice 		

Factor		Level descriptor and example job information	JE Level	JE Score
1.	Communication & Relationship Skills	Providing and receiving complex, sensitive or contentious information, where persuasive, motivational, negotiating, training, empathic or re-assurance skills are required. This may be because agreement or cooperation is required or because there are barriers to understanding	4a	32
		Communicates sensitive, confidential information, including condition related information (e.g. cognitive impairment) to patients/clients requiring empathy, persuasion and reassurance. Some patients/clients/relatives/carers may have additional learning needs/adult learning difficulties or there may be barriers to understanding.		
2.	Knowledge, Training & Experience	Understanding of a range of work procedures and practices, which require expertise within a specialism or discipline, underpinned by theoretical knowledge or relevant practical experience.	5	120
		Professional, clinical knowledge acquired through training to degree level		
3.	Analytical & Judgemental Skills	Judgements involve a range of facts or situations requiring comparison of a range of options	3	27
		Judgements on problems requiring investigation, analysis, e.g. initial assessment of patient condition; Carry out clinical risk assessments within sphere of competence and identify and escalate any issues relating to poor clinical standards or clinical risk.		
4.	Planning & Organisational Skills	Plan and organise straightforward activities, some ongoing Plans provision of care for patients/clients/children, e.g. clinics, health education; May organise staff and allocate duties during a shift to support staff and/or less experienced staff; Participates in discharge planning	2	15
5.	Physical Skills	2- The post requires physical skills which are normally obtained through practice over a period of time or during practical training e.g. standard driving or keyboard skills, use of some tools and types of equipment.	2-3ab	15-27

		3(a) The post requires developed physical skills to fulfil duties where there is a specific requirement for speed or accuracy. This level of skill may be required for advanced or high-speed driving; advanced keyboard use; advanced sensory skills or manipulation of objects or people with narrow margins for error, And/or 3b) the post requires highly developed physical skills, where accuracy is important, but there is no specific requirement for speed. This level of skill may be required for manipulation of fine tools or materials. 2 Manoeuvring wheel chairs/trolleys in confined spaces; using hoists or similar lifting equipment to move patients/clients; carry out intramuscular immunisations/injections; Driving 3a Restraint of patients/clients using approved techniques; 3b Dexterity and accuracy required for, e.g. intravenous injections, syringe pumps and infusion, insertion of catheters and removal of		
		sutures		
6.	Patient/Client Care	5a Develop programmes of care/care packages; And/or 5c Provide specialised advice in relation to care of patients/clients 5a Assesses, plans, implements and evaluates clinical care of patients/clients:	5ac	30
		patients/clients; 5c gives specialist advice to patients/clients/carers; Provides health education and advice on health promotion to patients/clients/relatives/carers		
7.	Policy/Service Development	Follows policies in own role which are determined by others; no responsibility for service development, but may be required to comment on policies, procedures or possible developments Follows policies, makes comments on proposals for changes to e.g. working practices, service improvements, patient/client feedback	1	5
8.	Financial & Physical	1 Observes personal duty of care in relation to equipment and resources used in course of work.	1- 2abcd	5-12
	Resources	or 2 (a) Regularly handles or processes cash, cheques, patients' valuables, And/or		
		2(b) responsible for the safe use of equipment other than equipment which they personally use, And/or 2(c) responsible for maintaining stock control and/or security of		
		stock, And/or 2(d) Authorised signatory for small cash/financial payments, or		
		. 1 Responsible for equipment used personally / 2a Handles patient valuables;		
		2b Responsible for equipment used by others e.g. assembling surgical equipment, patient mobility aids		



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		2c Re-Orders stocks and supplies; Responsible for the safe custody		
		and storage of drugs		
		2d Authorises/signs timesheets up to the value of £1000 per month		
9.	Human Resources	2a Provides advice or demonstrate own activities to new or less experienced employees in own work area And/or 2b Responsible for day to day supervision or co-ordination of staff within a service; Regularly responsible for profession/clinical supervision of a small number of qualified staff or students And/or 2c Regularly provide training in own discipline/practical training or undertaking basic workplace assessments 2a Participates in local induction of others. 2b Provide guidance and supervision of less experienced staff, students ensuring HR and other organisational procedures are followed e.g. responsible for clinical supervision of new/less experienced staff, students; Allocate and/or delegate tasks to appropriate staff 2c Supports on- the job learning of less experienced/new staff e.g. complete workplace assessments to ensure compliance with organisational policies and other requirements e.g. health and safety, patient safety	2abc	5-12
10.	Information Resources	Record personally generated information Maintains work-related records	1	4
11.	Research & Development	Undertakes surveys or audits, as necessary to own work; may occasionally participate in R & D, clinical trials or equipment testing Occasional participation in R&D activity e.g. participation in audits,	1	5
12.	Freedom to Act	Is guided by precedent and clearly defined occupational policies, protocols, procedures or codes of conduct. Work is managed, rather than supervised, and results/outcomes are assessed at agreed intervals Acts independently within organisational and professional guidelines and established professional parameters; Work is managed rather than supervised; has access to management support when needs to escalate issues or problems.	3	21
13.	Physical Effort	2(b) there is a frequent requirement for light physical effort for several short periods during a shift or 3(c) there is a frequent requirement to exert moderate physical effort for several short periods during a shift or 4(c) there is an occasional requirement to exert intense physical effort for several short periods during a shift 2b Walks and stands most of shift; kneels and crouches to e.g. dress wounds	2b-3c - 4b	3-7-12- 18



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