

Minutes of Meeting between Bedford College/Middlesex Hospital:
Nursing Studies - 18th October 1983.

Present: Cynthia Clamp (Middlesex)
Marion Ferguson
Elizabeth Meerabeau

PROGRESS TO DATE

1. Ward Reports:

Year I. On the whole satisfactory except to keep an eye on Sarah Smith as a potential difficult nursing candidate in terms of practical ability.

Year II. The one candidate of concern is Claire Wright whose ward reports identify lack of interest and lack of theoretical and practical knowledge in relation to nursing practice.

Decisions: MF to talk with both students.
CC to work with both students and to report on impressions formed.

2. Nursing Care of the Adult Sick

The course covered common areas of knowledge which were treated partially from the point of view of a biological system analysis and partially from the point of view of nursing themes, i.e. pain, mobility, etc.

3. Areas that need strengthening:

Students' problem-solving abilities in terms of being able to recognise patients' (nursing) problems; how to work out priorities and suggestions as to alternative methods.

The nursing professional world expects nursing students to be capable of handling comfortably problem-solving situations as they occur in daily practice.

Decisions: To ask students to produce one comprehensive patient care study in the first term of the 2nd Year while on practical placements at the Middlesex.
LM to work individually with two students on patient care studies per week; additionally, CC and LM to work with students on the wards quite specifically in relation to total patient care, that is problem-solving for an individual patient's concern.
(As some Nurse Tutors are very good at teaching problem-solving, it might be an idea to ask to attend their classes.)

4. Practical Nursing Assessments:

Year II: all drug and all aseptic technique assessments are complete and filed.

Year I: all drug assessments are complete and filed - but aseptic technique assessment yet to be completed.

5. Paediatric:

MF to contact Miss Baker to ascertain -

- (i) nature and timing of patient-care studies.
- (ii) dates of hospital practical placements.
- (iii) dates for possible visits.

6. Second Term Psychiatric Placement (2nd Year students)

MF to get in touch with Ron Hoy re details.

7. 3rd-Year Students

Obstetric placement:- MF to contact Ron Hoy.

Next meeting - 2nd November, at 3.00 p.m. Fraser Lodge.

A G E N D A

1. Progress report on work up to date as per minutes. (Matters Arising).
2. Community Module - 3rd Year, second term.
Obstetric Module - 3rd Year, third term.
Further summer work - 3rd Year, third term.
NURSES' ASSESSMENTS
3. 2nd Year students: Psychiatric and summer work.
4. Outline plan for fourth year.

4th year practical.