

Gerontological Nursing Learning Activity Overview

Topic:	Falls Prevention Project
Focus:	Nursing approaches to prevent falls in older adults who have sustained a fall within the past year
Benefit for students:	Practical clinical application of assessment tools.
Brief Description:	Students visit an older adult over one quarter or semester, conduct falls risk assessment and other relevant assessments for older adults, identify risk factors and make nursing recommendations based on research
Clinical Site:	Any setting where the older person lives—home, nursing home, assisted living, etc.
Location in Curriculum/Type of Course:	This learning activity could fit into many courses after the basic assessment and nursing fundamentals courses are completed.
Documents Included:	Rubric for grading Falls Paper Full description of Learning Activity
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