

TIMELINE FOR 7-WEEK CLINICAL

WEEK 1

Day 1 – Day 3 : observe, develop radar for initiating interaction

Day 4 – Day 5 : participate in treatment sessions, explore underlying clinical reasoning, practice elements of documentation

WEEK 2

- TREATMENT PROGRESSION - Increase participation in treatment sessions, with goal to do the following by the end of the week :
 - Initiate treatment session
 - Propose treatment session “agenda” (what will be done w/ pt. during full tx time)
 - Propose a “new” treatment technique for a treatment session
 - To either vary current regimen or progress specific activity
- COMMUNICATION PROGRESSION
 - Observe PT/PTA communication
 - Participate in patient education
 - With guidance and feedback, perform documentation of full session

WEEK 3

- TREATMENT PROGRESSION - Increase participation in treatment sessions, with goal to do the following by the end of the week :
 - Be “lead clinician” for half of the patient caseload for the day
 - The SPTA treats patient for majority of session, including initiating treatment
 - Propose “new” treatment techniques for each patient SPTA is lead clinician for
 - To either vary current regimen or progress specific activity
 - Participate in a “first day” treatment planning, for newly-evaluated patient
- COMMUNICATION PROGRESSION
 - With guidance, identify and perform PT/PTA communication regarding a patient SPTA is “lead clinician” for
 - Perform patient education over topic previously observed
 - With feedback, perform documentation of all treatments that student served as “lead clinician”

WEEK 4

- TREATMENT PROGRESSION - Increase participation in treatment sessions, with goal to do the following by the end of the week :
 - Be “lead clinician” for all patients on caseload (CI is “technician”)
 - Be sole clinician for 50% of a full caseload
 - Propose “new” treatment techniques for all patients on caseload
 - To vary current regimen AND progress specific activities
 - With guidance, propose a “first day” treatment plan for newly-evaluated patient
- COMMUNICATION PROGRESSION
 - Independently identify and perform PT/PTA communication regarding a patient SPTA is “lead clinician” for
 - With guidance, perform patient education over applicable topics (observed or not)
 - With minimal corrections, produce documentation of all treatment sessions performed
 - With guidance and feedback, produce “progress note”-type documentation

WEEK 5

- TREATMENT PROGRESSION - Increase participation in treatment sessions, with goal to do the following by the end of the week :
 - Be sole clinician for 75% of a full caseload (CI no longer “technician”; just supervising)
 - Propose “new” treatment techniques for all patients on caseload
 - To vary current regimen AND progress specific activities
 - Independently construct a “first day” treatment plan for newly-evaluated patient
- COMMUNICATION PROGRESSION
 - Independently identify and perform PT/PTA communication regarding more than one patient on the SPTA’s caseload
 - Independently identify appropriate patient education topics and deliver that patient education
 - Independently produce documentation of all treatment sessions
 - With minimal corrections, produce “progress note”-type documentation on all applicable patients

WEEK 6

- TREATMENT PROGRESSION - Increase participation in treatment sessions, with goal to do the following by the end of the week :
 - Be sole clinician for 100% of a full caseload
 - Propose “new” treatment techniques for all patients on caseload
 - To vary current regimen AND progress specific activities
 - Independently construct and deliver a “first day” treatment plan for newly-evaluated patient
- COMMUNICATION PROGRESSION
 - Independently identify and perform PT/PTA communication regarding all appropriate patients on SPTA’s caseload
 - Independently identify appropriate patient education topics and deliver that patient education
 - Independently perform all documentation-related activities

WEEK 7

- Independently maintain 100% of a full caseload for 3 consecutive days
- Perform “hand-off” communication in preparation for absence after end of clinical