

Course Outcome #3 Competency:

- b. Demonstrate at a fundamental level tolerance for ambiguity and unpredictability and its effect on patient care.

Tool: Parameters for Patient Care

What are the patient's vital signs:

Blood pressure:

Pulse:

Respirations:

Temperature:

What were the highs and lows for the past 24 hours?

What is the patient's activity level?

What medications is the patient taking that affect the vital sign readings?

What medical/nursing interventions is the patient experiencing that may affect the patient's vital signs?

What other factors are influencing this patient's vital sign readings?

How low can each of the readings go before you would intervene? Give your rationale.

How high can each of the readings go before you would intervene? Give your rationale.

Rubric for Parameters for Patient Care

Performance Criteria	S	NI	U
Able to identify all factors influencing the patient's vital signs.	Clearly identifies all factors influencing the patient's vital signs.	Description of all factors influencing the patient's vital signs is scant.	Unable to identify all factors influencing the patient's vital signs.
Able to identify reasonable parameters for vital signs and rationales.	Clearly identifies reasonable parameters for vital signs and rationales.	Superficially discusses reasonable parameters for vital signs and rationales.	Unable to discuss reasonable parameters for vital signs and rationales