

Course Outcome #2 Competency:

c. Explain the nurse's role in decision making related to patient care in the medical/surgical and maternal-newborn environments.

Tool: Making Decisions

Activity:

Locate the staff job description for the RN.

Review the California Board of Registered Nursing's scope of practice

Review the ANA's Standards of Practice

Identifies how these three documents relate to the nurse's role in making decisions related to patient care.

Complete the following:

RN Job Description related to decision making for patient care in the medical-surgical unit and the maternal-newborn unit.	Types of decisions made by the RN on the medical-surgical unit and the maternal-newborn unit.	Ways the decision making on both units is the same.	Ways the decision making on both units is different.

Rubric for Making Decisions

Performance Level	S	NI	U
Completes all area of the tool.	Accurately addresses all areas of the tool.	Able to address some, but not all, all areas of the tool.	Unable to address all areas of the tool.
Compares the medical/surgical unit with the maternal-newborn unit.	Completely and accurately compares the medical/surgical unit with the maternal-newborn unit.	Makes some comparisons but misses some important aspects.	Unable to compare the medical/surgical unit with the maternal-newborn unit.