

Course Outcome #4 Competency:

f. Describe the use of National Patient Safety Goals in the clinical setting to maintain a safe environment for all patients.

**Tool: National Patient Safety Goal Activity**

Access the NPSGs for 2012 that relate to the clinical area: acute care, long term care, and home care.

1. What precautions should the nurse take relative to each safety goal for each patient?
2. For each patient, is there a safety goal that is the most important for each of these patients?
3. What information about each of these patients is most important to communicate to the nurse on the next shift?
4. What factors about the environment indicate these safety goals are being met?
5. Gap Analysis: What factors about the environment indicate a need for change so the safety goals can be met?

### Rubric for National Patient Safety Goal Activity

Performance Criteria	S	NI	U
Identifies the NPSG most applicable to this patient.	Clearly identifies the NPSG most applicable to this patient.	Scantly identifies the NPSG most applicable to this patient.	Unable to identify the NPSG most applicable to this patient.
Explains if the safety goals are being met, and if not, explains what to do to correct the situation.	Able to explain if the safety goals are being met, and if not, explains what to do to correct the situation.	Superficially explains if the safety goals are being met, and if not, superficially explains what to do to correct the situation.	Unable to explain if the safety goals are being met, and if not, explains what to do to correct the situation.