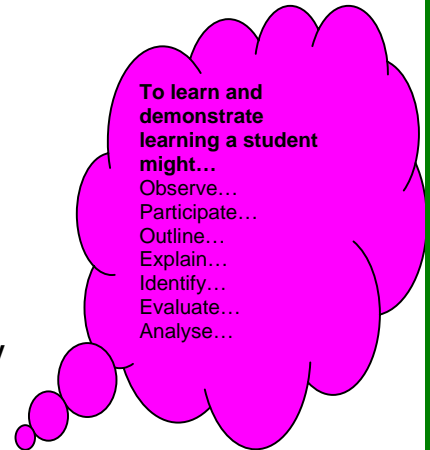




## Antenatal Clinic Learning Opportunities

*Whilst on placement in the antenatal clinic midwifery students will be given the opportunity to do the following at the appropriate level of learning:*

- Participate in the assessment of women at the initial booking visit
- Communicate effectively and appropriately with the woman, partner, family and multidisciplinary team
- Consider the cultural needs of women and their families
- Undertake a detailed review of a woman's chart and her history
- Undertake a holistic antenatal assessment of the woman, plan, implement and evaluate the ongoing care
- Work in partnership with women providing information and facilitate informed decision making
- Assess fetal wellbeing with pinard/ sonicaid
- Where necessary apply and effectively interpret CTG findings
- Participate in the care of women attending the midwives clinic and main obstetric clinic
- Recognise deviations from normal, emergency and high risk situations and respond appropriately
- Participate in the planning of care for women with high risk pregnancies and pregnancy complications
- Participate in the appropriate referral of women



1. Professional /Ethical practice
2. Holistic Midwifery Practice
3. Interpersonal relationships
4. Organisational and co-ordination of midwifery care
5. Personal and professional development

- Provide health promotion and education
- Discuss the birth plan with the woman/partner
- Review blood results- be aware of normal and abnormal results and the midwife's role re: referral
- Gain an understanding of the medication a woman may be taking antenatally
- Access computer systems - Apex, PASS systems

- Attend multidisciplinary meetings
- Care for a family experiencing bereavement and loss
- Be informed by multidisciplinary clinical guidelines, policies and procedures
- Document the care provided under supervision-all entries to be countersigned by midwife.

Let's not forget the domains of competence  
They represent the functions of a registered midwife

Year 1 BSc Midwifery Observer Participant.	Year 2 BSc Midwifery/ level 1 Higher Diploma Midwifery Novice Participant	Year 3 BSc Midwifery/ level 2 Higher Diploma Midwifery Supervised practitioner	Year 4 BSc Midwifery/ level 3 Higher Diploma Midwifery Competent practitioner
Please assess midwifery students recognising that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• She/he is a novice to midwifery</li> <li>• Will require exposure to all aspects of midwifery care</li> <li>• Will be expected to participate in all aspects of care</li> <li>• Will be able to discuss basic concepts of care</li> <li>• Will need continuous prompting and considerable direction.</li> </ul>	Please assess midwifery students recognising that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• She/he will have had some exposure and participation in the provision of care</li> <li>• She/he will still need assistance and direct supervision</li> <li>• She/he may require frequent prompting</li> <li>• She/he should begin to identify his/her learning needs.</li> </ul>	Please assess midwifery students recognising that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• She/he can identify the needs of women and their families</li> <li>• Can begin to adopt a problem solving approach to care</li> <li>• Actively participate in the care of women and babies</li> <li>• Provide rationale for his/her actions</li> </ul> Please understand it might be difficult for the midwifery student to prioritise care, but should demonstrate the awareness of the need for best practice and can identify their own learning needs.	Please assess midwifery students recognising that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• She/he can apply a systematic approach to care</li> <li>• Can demonstrate evidence based practice and critical thinking</li> <li>• Is capable of supporting and monitoring women, families and junior colleagues</li> <li>• She/he possesses many attributes including- practical and technical skills, communication and interpersonal skills organizational and managerial skills</li> <li>• Has the ability to perform as part of the health care team</li> <li>• Demonstrates a professional attitude, accepting responsibility for their own practice.</li> </ul>

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