Articulating Clinical Reasoning – Evaluation

1. Problem.
   1. Given the diagnosis, what did you expect to see?
   2. Given the chart review, evaluation, observation, interviews and interactions you had with the client and those who support him/her, what did you actually see?
   3. How are those expectations the same and different?
2. Intervention
   1. What evaluation did you choose to do? Why?
   2. What were the results of the evaluation (including observation, interview, standardized assessment and other interactions)?
   3. How do the results of the evaluation affect the client’s ability to participate in life? What is supportive and what is disruptive? How does this relate to the big picture of the client’s life?
3. Comparison of Alternative Interventions
   1. What recommendations are you considering?
   2. Why choose one recommendation over another?
   3. What recommendations for the client should be made based on the findings of the evaluation?
   4. Why should these recommendations be made?
   5. What evidence is available to support the recommendations you made? Why did you not choose other strategies/recommendations? (What is your thinking?)
   6. What is the source of the evidence you chose?
4. Outcome
   1. What are your recommendations?
   2. Why are you making those recommendations?
   3. What evidence is available to support the recommendations you made?

Articulating Clinical Reasoning – Intervention and Treatment

1. Problem.
   1. Given the diagnosis, what did you expect to see?
   2. Given the chart review, evaluation, observation, interviews and interactions you had with the client and those who support him/her, what did you actually see?
   3. How are these the same and different?
   4. How are these deficits impacting the client’s ability to learn?
   5. What goals are you working on today?
2. Intervention
   1. What interventions did you choose to do? What will you do to grade the activity so that it is at the ‘just right challenge’ level specific to the goal(s) you are working on?
3. Comparison of Alternative Interventions
   1. What interventions did you choose from?
   2. Why did you choose this intervention over another?
   3. What evidence is available to support the interventions you chose? Why did you not choose other strategies/recommendations? (What is your thinking?)
   4. What is the source for your recommendations?
4. Outcome
   1. How did the intervention work? What needs to change next time or could have been different this time for the client to be successful?

**Articulating Clinical Reasoning – A PICO Method**

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| **Problem**: |
| **Intervention**: |
| **Comparison of Alternative Interventions**: |
| **Outcome**: |