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An Evidence-Based Practice (EBP) Learning & Assessment

Framework for Clinical Placement Supervisors



	FACILITATING students' EBP learning	ASSESSING students' EBP learning
Asking	 What is it you are unsure about in this situation? Does this uncertainty affect your (client's) decision-making? Why? Is it possible that helpful information exists? What precisely do you need to find out to make the best decision? What is the specific question you need to answer? 	 What situations of uncertainty have you encountered? What specific EBP questions have you asked? Take one example: Why did you need to answer that EBP question? How was it important for your decision making?
Acquiring	 What kind(s) of information might assist? Where might you find that information? Who might be able to help? How will you find the information in the most efficient way? 	 What types of information have you acquired to inform your practice? Where or how did you source that information? Did you have any difficulties? How did you try to overcome the difficulty?
Appraising	 How relevant to your situation is the information you've acquired? How are you judging the relevance? How trustworthy is the information you've acquired? How are you judging the trustworthiness? Would a critical appraisal tool be helpful for appraising this information? Why or why not? 	 Why did you judge the information was relevant enough? Why did you judge the information was trustworthy enough? Alternatively, why were you sure there <i>was no</i> relevant or trustworthy evidence to answer your question? If you used a critical appraisal tool, what conclusion did you reach about the quality of the evidence? What were the main factors you considered?
Applying	 What situational factors, resources, and constraints need to be considered in deciding how to act on the information? Whose perspectives do you need to consider when deciding how to proceed? What aspects of the information need to be explained to each stakeholder? When and how will you explain the information to each stakeholder? 	 How did you act on the information you acquired, and why? How did you inform and collaborate with others (e.g. clients, other practitioners, managers, other stakeholders) in deciding how to act? Can you give an example of where you have integrated evidence with <i>client</i> perspectives in determining care?
Analysing	 What strengths and weaknesses are you showing in this EBP process? What will you consider a positive outcome, and why? How will you know the outcome? Who and how might it help, to share your EBP learnings? Are there any new questions arising from this EBP process? 	 What have you learned as a result of this EBP process? How will this new knowledge inform your future clinical practice? How have you shared your new practice knowledge for wider benefit?