

Ethical Dilemmas in Nursing

Student Name:

Date:

Instructions: Identify a nursing skill or intervention that you noticed in clinical practice today that was different than what you expected.

Skill/ Nursing Intervention	What did I learn is the textbook expectation? Why is this the expectation?	What is the agency or hospital policy or guideline?	What did I see in practice?	Was there a deviation from what was expected? What was the deviation?
	<i>Noticing:</i>	<i>Noticing:</i>	<i>Noticing:</i>	<i>Noticing:</i>
Why was there a deviation?	What is the potential impact on the patient?	Is there an alternative that falls within expected guidelines? What is it? Is this safer? Why or why not?	Was the deviation from expected practice isolated or is it common within the department? Explain.	How did I handle the deviation from practice?
<i>Interpreting:</i>	<i>Interpreting:</i>	<i>Interpreting:</i>	<i>Interpreting:</i>	<i>Responding/Reflection:</i>

Reflecting: Reflect on your response to this situation. Is there anything you wanted to do differently?