Module 1: Assignment 1: Self-assessment

Overview:

This assignment is designed for you to assess your competency in nursing informatics. You will complete the Pretest for Attitudes towards Computers in Health care (P.A.T.C.H.) and complete a self-assessment of your informatics competencies.

Objectives:

The student will:

- Complete the P.A.T.C.H. Assessment Scale
- Complete a self-assessment of nursing informatics competencies.
- Analyze student competencies and areas for improvement.

Instructions:

1. Complete the P.A.T.C.H. Assessment Scale v.3. Click on the link found in “Multimedia: Nursing Informatics Self-Assessment: Pretest for Attitudes towards Computers in Health Care”. Click in the middle of the page where it says: 

   ![You can Take the P.A.T.C.H. Scale Online Now! Click to Begin!][1]
2. On the next page, download a print version of the P.A.T.C.H. Scale and Personal Plan, along with the interpretation guide.

**PRINT VERSION OF P.A.T.C.H. SCALE**

- P.A.T.C.H. Scale v.3 and Personal Plan for download (pdf)  
  Downloadable version of the P.A.T.C.H. Scale and Personal Self Assessment and Plan in pdf for saving or printing.
- P.A.T.C.H. Attitude Scale v.3 Interpretation Guide  
  Use this guide to interpret your final result on the P.A.T.C.H. Scale.

3. On the Nursing Informatics Competencies: Self-Assessment website (you can find this in Module 1: Multimedia: Nursing Informatics Self Assessment: Nursing Informatics Competencies: Self-Assessment), review the essential competencies and literacy skills for nurses. Assess your own skills and competencies that you have. You can also use the recommended competencies found in the appendices of the Informatics competencies for every practicing nurse: Recommendations from the TIGER collaborative.

4. After assessing your competency and skill level, write two to three paragraphs about the following: 1) your strengths and weaknesses as related to nursing informatics, 2) your knowledge level, and 3) your learning needs. Identify your top three items that you want to learn in this course. You should also include a personal development plan for obtaining computer literacy, information literacy and informatics theory and practice. You may use the personal plan found on the Nursing Informatics Competencies: Self-Assessment website.

5. This paper does not have to have a title page, running head, or page numbers. It should contain proper grammar and punctuation.

**Evaluation**

**Grading Criteria**

**Resources:**

Purdue Online Writing Lab (OWL) [http://owl.english.purdue.edu/](http://owl.english.purdue.edu/)

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