System Development Plan: Patient & Nurse Management System

Project Goal: To create a simple, user-friendly web application to streamline appointment booking for nurses and centralize patient history and information.

1. Core Technology Stack

• Front-end: React

• Back-end & Database: Supabase (PostgreSQL)

2. Database Schema

The core of the system is built on four key tables.

patients table

- id (UUID, Primary Key)
- first_name (Text)
- last_name (Text)
- date_of_birth (Date)
- address (Text)
- phone_number (Text)
- assigned_caretaker_id (UUID, Nullable, Foreign Key)

nurses table

- id (UUID, Primary Key, linked to Supabase Auth)
- first_name (Text)
- last_name (Text)
- email (Text, Unique)

appointments table

- id (UUID, Primary Key)
- patient_id (UUID, Foreign Key to patients)
- nurse_id (UUID, Foreign Key to nurses)
- appointment_date (Date)
- appointment_time (Time)
- status (Enum: Scheduled, Completed, Cancelled)

patient_records table

• id (UUID, Primary Key)

- appointment_id (UUID, Foreign Key to appointments)
- notes (Text)
- vitals (JSONB)
- recorded_at (Timestamp)

3. Key User Flows (Nurse)

Flow 1: Authentication & Dashboard View

- 1. Access: Nurse navigates to the application URL.
- 2. **Login:** Enters email and password on the login screen. Supabase Auth handles the process.
- 3. **Dashboard:** On successful login, the nurse is directed to a personalized dashboard.
 - Upcoming Appointments List: Displays a chronological list of their scheduled visits for the day and week.
 - Action Buttons: Prominent buttons for "Book New Appointment" and "Search Patients."

Flow 2: Booking a New Appointment

- 1. **Initiate:** The nurse clicks "Book New Appointment" from the dashboard.
- 2. Patient Selection:
 - **Existing Patient:** Nurse searches for a patient by name or ID using a type-ahead search bar.
 - New Patient: Nurse clicks "Add New Patient" and fills out a form.
- 3. **Schedule:** Nurse selects a date from a calendar interface and a time from a list of available slots.
- 4. **Confirm:** A summary screen shows the patient's name, date, and time. The nurse confirms to create the appointment.

Flow 3: Viewing & Managing Patient Information

- 1. Search: Nurse uses the "Search Patients" function on the dashboard.
- 2. **Select:** Nurse clicks on a patient's name to view their detailed profile.
- 3. Patient Profile View:
 - Personal Information: Displays the patient's core details (name, DOB, address, etc.).
 - Visit History: Shows a chronological list of all past appointments. Each entry provides a summary and can be expanded to view full notes and vitals from the patient_records table.

Flow 4: Recording Patient Data (Post-Appointment)

- Complete Appointment: After a visit, the nurse can mark an appointment as "Completed."
- 2. **Data Capture:** A form appears, linked to that specific appointment.

- 3. **Enter Information:** The nurse inputs the visit notes and vitals (e.g., blood pressure, temperature, etc.) into the form.
- 4. **Save:** The data is submitted and stored in the patient_records table, automatically linked to the completed appointment.