Medication Administration Skill

Advanced Nursing Skills (VNSG-2331)

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Have You Witnessed Nurses Give Medications?

What steps were or were not performed?

Medication Errors... How Bad are They?

7,000 - 9,000 die in U.S. medication error

100,000's adverse reaction or complications

Medication errors costs over \$40 billion annually

Pain and suffering from medication errors

Decreased satisfaction and trust

Decrease Risk of Medication Errors

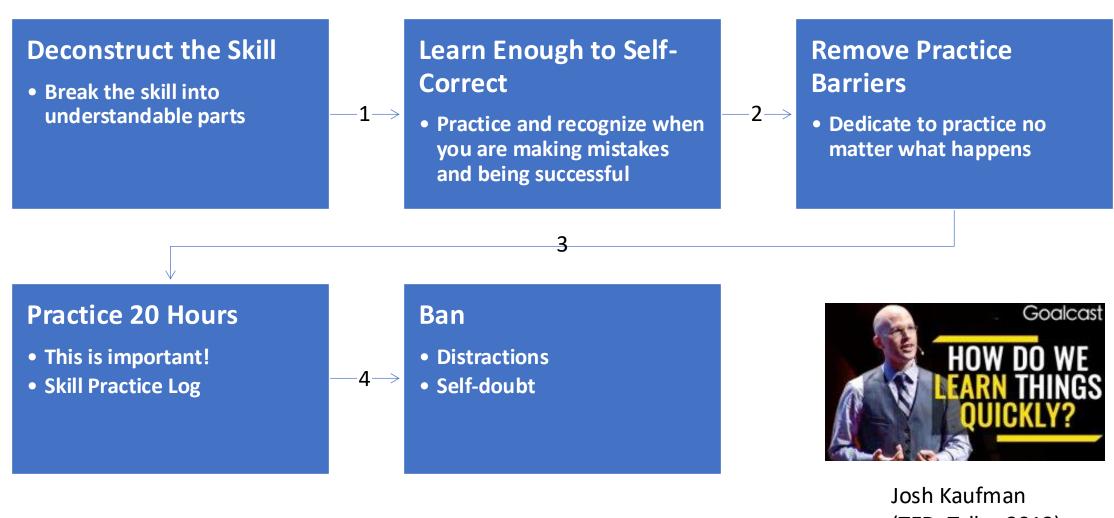
3 Checks:

Pre & 1st Accuracy Check

2nd Accuracy Check

3rd Accuracy Check

How to Learn a New Skill



(TEDxTalks, 2013)

Skill Practice Time Log

Goal: 20 Hours Per Skill

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Skill Practice Time Log

- Bring to class
- Add hours
 - In class
 - Out of class
 - Simulation Lab Open Lab
- Monitoring progress
- Dedicate to reach goal!

Medication Administration Checklist & Check-off

You must pass the Medication Administration Skill to pass the course

3 attempts to be successful

Remediation in Simulation Lab is required before attempting again

Starred (*) items **must be performed** correctly or will be a **failure Two unstarred** (*) items will indicate a **failure**

Open Lab is encouraged!Schedule with Simulation Lab Faculty

Practice is the key to success!

"Do not practice until you get it right...
practice until you can't possibly get it wrong"

Medication Administration Checkoff List

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Medication Administration Checkoff

Critical elements are indicated by an asterisk (*) and must be performed satisfactorily to pass the check-off.

Students missing more than 2 non-asterisk items will result in not passing the skill.

	SKILLS TO BE ASSESSED	s	U	COMMENTS
•	*Verify client chart by name and date of birth (in ATI).	c	C	
•	* Verify allergies (in ATI).	0	0	
•	*Check that Healthcare Provider (HCP) prescription is complete (medication, dose, frequency/time, route) and active (in Orders).	c	c	
•	* Wash hands.	c	C	
•	*Perform – 1st accuracy medication label check with MAR when removing medications from client drawer.	c	C	
•	Recognize the need to hold medications based on medication order if applicable.	С	0	
•	*Perform – 2 nd accuracy medication label check with MAR and medications. Place medications to be given in disposable tray.	С	С	
•	*Calculate correct dosages.	C	0	
•	Take medications and necessary supplies to client's bedside.	С	0	
•	*Wash hands.	С	0	
•	Identify self to the client as a student nurse.	С	c	
•	*Verify client using two client verifiers and scan the client's armband.	С	c	

Medication
Administration
Checkoff
Types
of Errors



Most Common Errors

Not Aspirating

Documenting incorrectly

Incorrect dosage calculations

Holding medications incorrectly

Using Orders accuracy checks

Not scanning



Not verifying patient correctly

Not washing hands

Transfer Skill to Clinical Practice Setting

NO Student May Pass ANY Medications UNTIL

- Successfully Pass Medication Checkoff!
- Pass Medication Dosage Exam!
- Is with Clinical Instructor!

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