

**Temple College**  
**Vocational Nursing Program**  
**VNSG 1409: Nursing in Health and Illness II**  
**Module IV: Musculoskeletal Assessment and Disorders**

Upon completion of this module the student will be able to:

**Musculoskeletal Assessment and Function: Williams/Hopper Chapter 45**

1. Describe the pathophysiology, diagnostic test, and therapeutic measures pertaining to the musculoskeletal system.
2. Know how to perform an assessment of the musculoskeletal system, collecting subjective and objective data.

**Nursing Care of Clients with Musculoskeletal and Connective Tissue Disorders: Williams/ Hopper Chapter 46**

1. Discuss the pathophysiology , etiology, signs and symptoms, treatment of musculoskeletal and connective tissue disorders
2. Describe the nursing care related to disorders of the musculoskeletal system

**Promoting Musculoskeletal Function: DeWit Chapter 39**

1. Discuss the effects of inactivity on respiratory exchange and airway clearance.
2. Describe appropriate care of a cast as it dries.
3. Name at least four pressure relief devices that help prevent skin injury in immobile clients.
4. Correctly care for the client undergoing skin traction