



Transitioning to Distance Education

Tips for Incorporating Clinical Judgment, Skills, and Clinical Application into Distance Education

Because the ability to attend clinical or visit the simulation lab is not an option, put any possible resources to use to help fill the gap. We recommend using these activities as the basis for discussion and participation, as traditional grading rules often are not appropriate. As with simulations, they are a place to make mistakes and learn.

- Remember that clinical judgment is a combination of strong nursing knowledge, assessment of the situation, critical thinking, and clinical decision-making. Many of the resources that come with your texts support these individual skills and foster clinical judgment as an outcome. Use any resources at your disposal to reinforce and expand skills. Resources to consider include case studies, in-text or Davis Edge application level and higher NCLEX®-style questions, critical-thinking exercises, Interactive Clinical Scenarios, and Clinical Simulations.
- Many instructor resources include Case Studies. Case studies are an excellent way to foster clinical judgment and help students apply concepts. Use these as assignments or post to discussion boards and have students' comment.
- If you are using Davis Advantage, about a quarter of the online student activities are patient case studies! In addition, the Personalized Teaching Plans include many activities that ask students to apply concepts to patient situations, analyze data, and make decisions or predictions. These include, but are not limited to Case Studies, Patient Education, Worst Case Scenario, and Great Expectations.
- Interactive Clinical Scenarios walk students through patient cases. Following the nursing process, student can answer questions and analyze data. In response to the COVID-19 situation, F.A. Davis has given free access to its RN and LPN Interactive Clinical Scenarios. Please take advantage and share with students!
See [Using Interactive Clinical Scenarios for Distance Education](#).
- While simulation labs are closed, instructors can still put sim scripts to use. In response to the COVID-19 situation, F.A. Davis has given free access to a variety of simulation scripts and student participation guides.
See [Using Clinical Simulations for Distance Education](#).
- Skills videos are a great way to remotely demonstrate skills. In response to the COVID-19 situation, F.A. Davis has given free access to RN and LPN skills videos. Please take advantage and share with students!
See [Using Skills Videos for Distance Education](#)

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