

Regis College, School of Nursing: Case Study Rubric

Case Study Rubric – 100 Points

Rubric Criteria	20 points	15 points	10 point	0 points	Total Points
Symptom Identification	Key symptoms are identified and targeted in treatment plan.	Key symptoms are identified but do not correlate to treatment choices.	Focus is on secondary symptoms.	Key symptoms are not identified and/or target symptoms lack focus or clarity.	20
Decision Making	Prescriptive decision making is appropriate and within standard of care. Decision making is congruent with evidence-based practice.	Prescriptive decision making is appropriate and within standard of care.	Prescriptive decision making is adequate but second-line choices are utilized without explanation.	Prescriptive decision making is inappropriate or unsafe.	20
Critical Thinking	Rationale is well-explained and justifies treatment choices. Rationale is evidence-based and supported with references.	Rationale is well-explained and justifies treatment choices. Rationale is evidence-based but appropriate references are missing.	Explanation of treatment choices is rudimentary and/or does not justify treatment choices. Links are not made to evidence-base.	Rationale demonstrates a lack of understanding of the evidence.	20
Patient Safety	Patient safety is addressed, including suicidality, impaired judgment. Health monitoring is complete including any necessary lab screening or monitoring.	Patient safety is addressed. Health screening/monitoring is incomplete.	Patient safety is addressed. Necessary health screening/monitoring is omitted.	Patient safety is not addressed.	20
Treatment Goals	Goals of treatment are well outlined and realistic. Goals meet SMART criteria. Pharmacologic and non-pharmacologic interventions support attainment of treatment goals.	Goals of treatment are outlined and appropriate but interventions do not support attainment of stated treatment goals.	Goals of treatment are outlined but aspects are not explained or confused.	Goals of treatment are not included in plan of care.	20
Total points					100