Incoming Q4 Info & Reminders:

Welcome to Quarter 4! Here’s some information you need to read carefully before the current quarter is over. Some of your clinical paperwork for Q4 is due by **March 1st.**

**There is a lot of pre-work that must be completed in advance. Please be aware of assigned due date of no later than March 1, 2018.**

• Your clinical rotation will be sent to your group site before the end of the current quarter. You will rotate hospitals at midterm. The rotation is non-negotiable.

• When registering, register for Nurs 84, 84C, and N84L. For N84L, register for either section, it does not matter (if you are an Advanced Standing student, check with Director as to what courses you should register for).

• You must have a valid Quantiferon test; because you probably had your last TB test in Q1, this means you’ll probably need to do it again before Q4 begins. You must also have documentation of an annual Flu shot, all vaccinations, and a 2-year AHA CPR card that is good through at least the end of 4th quarter. Nothing can expire during 4th quarter. You cannot attend clinical without up-to-date QFT, Flu shot, all other immunizations and/or CPR documentation; and, per department policy, failure to have this documentation in place in the Nursing Department Office by the department deadlines will result in Withdrawal without Penalty (see Nursing Student Handbook for policy and deadlines). You will also have to provide hard copies of flu shots to RMC, so get them handy. (Students do NOT have to submit copies of flu shot to ECH, unless you are an Advance Standing student.) **ALL** students must bring updates to the Resource Room Coordinator by the due date for the Nursing Department files.

• Do a background check/drug screen 2-3 weeks prior to the start of your 4th quarter. See Student Handbook for details, instructions, etc. Please try to not overhydrate before going in for the test (this is a common reason to have to re-do the urine sample).

• Reading list for theory is on Lead Instructor’s college web site. To accommodate students who have various editions of textbooks, there are several reading lists – be sure you use the one that corresponds with the editions of the textbooks you have!

• Your theory class will be a hybrid course, using Canvas. You will watch videostreamed lectures each week prior to coming to the “live” class session. The Canvas site will be ready for you to access approximately 3 weeks prior to the first Monday of 4th quarter **FOR STUDENTS WHO ARE ENROLLED IN THE CLASS.** You will not have access ahead of time if you are not enrolled. Please be patient with Canvas, as I am making the switch from Catalyst to Canvas and there may be glitches. Once school starts, you must sign in **EVERY WEEK** to stream videos. Most live class sessions will be approximately 2 hours in length and will begin at 6:30am on Thursdays. All course documents will be on the Lead Instructor website or Canvas – there is no paper syllabus for theory or clinical.

**CLINICAL INFORMATION:**

• The 1st day of school is an orientation day (attendance is mandatory). **YOU MUST CARPOOL!** You will orient on this day to the hospital you are assigned to attend FIRST. See instructions below for BOTH clinical sites and complete all paperwork & emails for BOTH sites by March 1st. **You will all come to/remain on campus for the All-Student Assembly on Day 1, so please plan in terms of transportation (you will be allowed ample travel time to get there).** Wear uniforms to orientation if orienting in the hospital. Make sure you wear your DAC photo ID badge. Bring: Driver’s license, Q4 skills sheets, scavenger hunt, paperwork templates, and your questions. There is no place to refrigerate lunches and we may move around during the day, so suggest you not bring a lot of extra items (you do not need stethoscopes, bandage scissors, penlights, textbooks, med books, clipboards, etc. on Day 1).

o **El Camino Hospital (ECH - Mountain View campus) students:** Will orient on campus (not the hospital!) in room S81 on Day 1. Business casual street clothes or uniforms are acceptable. For the rest of the rotation, full uniforms, and you **must** carpool to ECH (this is non-negotiable!), and can **ONLY** park in the employee carpool area on the 2nd floor of the parking in the garage near Orchard & Melchor Pavilions (corner of North and Hospital Drives, where you parked in Q3). You may **NOT** park in ANY visitor parking area, unless you are disabled and have a disabled plate or placard. **There is required paperwork that must be completed, printed out, and physically brought to your ECH orientation DAY 1.**

o **San Jose Regional Medical Center (RMC) students**: Will orient at RMC on Day 1. You must carpool! Meet your instructor in the main lobby (McKee Road) at 7am. **There is required paperwork that must be completed and e-mailed in PDF format to Lead Instructor by March 1st. Email to Sherri:**

**cozzenssherri@fhda.edu****.**

• **ECH pre-orientation paperwork:** on Lead instructor website. Even though you did most of it last quarter, *you must do it again*. Plan an hour or so to complete this. You must PRINT your documents and bring to your ECH Orientation Day 1. Failure to bring your paperwork = inability to stay in clinical = withdrawal from the quarter. **Be sure to give the Resource Room Coordinator a copy of any health/CPR updates prior to the start of the quarter, too**. *Instructors will not do this.*

• **RMC pre-orientation paperwork:** on Lead instructor website. Even though many of you did most of it in Quarter 2, *you must do it again*. Plan an hour or so to complete this. Some you will print and bring with you to Orientation Day 1 (if you’re coming into Q4 for Fall or Winter quarter, bring a copy of your flu shot, too). Other paperwork you will email to Lead Instructor by the due date of March 1st. You must **email** your documents **in PDF format** to Lead instructor at cozzenssherri@fhda.edu no later than March 1st. **Be sure to give the Resource Room Coordinator a copy of any health/CPR updates prior to the start of the quarter, too**. *Instructors will not do this.*

• **NOTE:** Each agency has their own policies, procedures, and processes that include many regulations we all must follow (which often change with no notice!), so please be patient. **There may be additional items required, often on very short notice.** This is outside of our control. We will let you know if this is the case. Please keep an eye out for emails from us.

• **Things can change pretty quickly in our clinical agencies, including shifts and/or days of the week we will go for clinical!** Please check your email periodically for instructor emails, including posts to your class group emails/site. These may be from our DAC or personal email accounts, or through the Portal or Canvas system. *Please remember to check the email account you use* *for the school in addition to the email account attached to* *your group site, if different.*

Please email the Lead Instructor if you have questions; please put something in the subject line so I know it’s from a student. **BEST email during break is *NOT* De Anza’s email. Please use home (aol) email address for questions only *(BUT: for protection of your privacy,******no private or pre-clinical paperwork submissions***  *to this email address, please! Use school email when communicating private/personal information)***:**

SherriRN1@aol.com.

For those “emergencies” when you feel you need to speak with me, you can try me on my cell phone. If I don’t answer, leave me a voicemail. You can also leave me a brief text – be sure to tell me who you are. I may be out of range for a time during break, but I will get back to you as soon as I can. **408-858-5845**. Emergencies only during break, please.

***Note****: I will only check my school email once or twice a week during break and will not be listening to voicemail. I want to be responsive to your questions and concerns. Emailing my school address will likely cause a less than timely response! However, students should only use my school address to submit their clinical documents or any email containing private or confidential information.*

**Lead Instructor web site:**

deanza.edu/faculty/cozzenssherri/

*(this can also be found via list of faculty websites on the De Anza College website).* **Most of the above referenced information is on the Nurs 84L page.**

**Part-time Instructor is Janice Valadez.** If you have RMC questions for Janice before the quarter begins, please contact her via text: 408-693-7397. Be sure to tell her who you are.

We look forward to meeting and working with you!

Cheers,

Sherri Cozzens (@ ECH; Lead instructor), S91k

Janice Valadez (@RMC; part-time instructor)

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