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Core Nursing Essentials Clinical Scales & Assessment Tools

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Study guide

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How to revise this category

1. Choose a topic and explain its purpose.
2. Identify the observations, equipment or information needed.
3. Connect the findings to documentation, reassessment and escalation.
4. Practise under qualified supervision and review the current local protocol.

Curriculum coverage

- Glasgow Coma Scale
- APGAR Score
- Braden Scale
- Morse Fall Scale
- AVPU Scale
- Numerical Rating Scale
- Wong-Baker FACES
- FLACC Scale
- NEWS2
- Glasgow-Blatchford Score
- MMSE
- Bishop Score
- RASS
- PHQ-9
- GAD-7

Quick Revision

Use this curriculum guide to organize study. Published summaries are listed separately. Detailed drafts remain in the private content studio until source and clinical checks are recorded.

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