

Best Practice (2021-2022)

BEST PRACTICE 1

Title: Mini Reference Library in the classrooms (4 Class rooms)

Objective of the Practice

Libraries in the classrooms are integral to successful teaching and learning. Extensive research has shown that students who have immediate and ongoing access to engaging books in their classrooms exhibit higher reading achievement, better comprehension and an increased vocabulary. Enable the teacher and students for quick reference.

The Context

Making books available in the classroom is an effective way of promoting literacy because it:

- ✓ Encourages learners to learn to read so that they can read to learn;
- ✓ Encourage students and teacher for easy and quick reference
- ✓ Inculcates the reading habit
- ✓ Makes books easily accessible to learners; it also allows children to spend more time browsing and looking at books
- ✓ Creates a conducive environment for literacy development that will promote engagement, excitement as well as encourage readers of all age groups and ability levels to explore books;
- ✓ Encourages an enquiring mind through the provision of relevant information sources
- ✓ Supports the curriculum; and
- ✓ Promotes the acquisition of information literacy skills and digital literacy skills where digital literacy resources are available.

The Practice

Once the Classroom library is started, it enables & create time for students to interact and read the books. Encourage them to use the classroom library resources to support their learning processes; i.e. making use of reference material The classroom library is a good source for learners to read for pleasure. Students are encouraged to use their free time meaningfully. Students can clarify their doubts instantly enabling them to do assignments. This can always be a free time activity to do after other assignments are finished to inculcate the culture of leisure reading.

Evidence of Success

Creating an engaging reading experience in the classroom ensure that students not only continue to enjoy books and reading, but will hopefully pass this down to their own children. Easy to access even when the College library is closed. Students are often seen referring to and reading books in the classroom

Relevant as all textbooks related to each Semester are kept in the library

Most assignments are submitted on time.

Saves time searching

Problems Encountered and Resources Required

The major challenges of this initiative are:

- Storage problems
- Access to libraries may be limited
- Only for Reference and Classroom reading cannot be borrowed out due to less number of books
- Can be lost and damaged
- Only few books can be kept in the library

BEST PRACTICE 2

Title: DCA (Diploma Computer Application)

Objective of the Practice

With continuous inventions and upgrades in technologies, there is a constant demand for professionals with computer background. A career in Computer Application has become a popular choice for students after 12th, especially for those, who are looking for job oriented courses that can be completed in a short period of time. **Diploma courses after 12th** Out of the many, Diploma in Computer Application DCA has gained popularity over a period of time. The use of computer and information technology to support an electronic health record (EHR) is quickly becoming a standard practice in health care. For nurses and other health-care team members, the use of computer technology provides quick access to important information about your health or illness. For you, it means no longer having to repeat your health information multiple times as you receive care and the assurance that members of your health-care team have ready access to current health information.

The Practice

In some organizations, there is widespread use of computers as an important tool for all members of the health-care team. In other organizations, computers are just being introduced. The use of computers for health-care organizations is increasing rapidly to support the use of an electronic health record and other related technological innovations.

Computer systems in health care increase the quality, safety, and consistency of patient care by providing nurses with quick and easy access to clinical information related to your health. These systems provide information and resources on best clinical practice and are a tool to quickly enter and share observations and information with all members of the health-care team.

Nurses use computers to:

- ✓ Record on the electronic health record your personal health-care story, the treatments they carry out for you, and your response and progress toward your health care goal for monitoring and for ready access by other team members.
- ✓ Obtain information about your past and ongoing treatments and medications and the results to ensure the best care is provided.
- ✓ Review data about your current and past health situation and plan of care on the electronic health record, which helps them monitor your recovery process over time.
- ✓ Access clinical knowledge such as drug information, nursing assessments, articles and nursing best practice guidelines and resources to better understand your health situation and plan of care.

With a Diploma in Computer Application degree, one can specialize in a wide range of domains such as Programming, Web Designing, and Animation etc.

Evidence of Success

The DCA (Diploma in Computer Application) programme was included and taught besides the Computer subject for the fresh students during 1st year now I Semester especially for those who doesn't have Certificates in computer applications. At the end of the year/Semester, they are offered a certificate thus paving the way for securing jobs which require knowledge regarding computer and its applications.

The short course helped gain efficient knowledge in lesser time and opens up opportunities for the freshly trained nurses searching for job.

Since the year 2019 till 2021, the numbers of students who acquire DCA certificates were about 210 (11th Batch to 17th Batch)

Problems Encountered and Resources Required

The major challenges of this initiative are:

- ✓ Number of Computers in the Computer laboratory needs to be strengthened so that all 30 students can have full access to a single computer.
- ✓ Time to time evaluation of the computer – it's updating, durability and connection needs to be checked so that all computers will be fit for use.
- ✓ Health-care organizations and health-care workers including the nurses must follow very strict rules and regulations to ensure the computer system is safe and secure and that only those individuals with permission to view health information have access to the record.