TEACHING + LEARNING MIDWIFERY

The Big Picture of Primary Care

Students are engaged in learning **The Big Picture of Primary Care** throughout their clinical education. Care management competencies for students in Normal Childbearing focus on normal pregnancy, labour, birth and postpartum. Students take increasing responsibility for care outside of normal as they progress through the three senior clinical courses in the final year of their program. The diagram below breaks down the concept of primary midwifery care into discrete components. The model shown is for intrapartum care. Areas in yellow are mastered in the senior clinical year. This diagram is designed to assist preceptors, tutors and students in teaching and learning primary midwifery care management.

Here are some suggestions for how to utilize the tool **The Big Picture of Primary Care**:

- assist the student to identify and learn the discrete components of primary midwifery care
- develop a multistep and gradual process for the student to multitask all components
- set discrete goals with a long term plan for the student be fully responsible for all areas
- have the student be responsible for those components where she is skilled and add one new or challenging component at a time until that one is mastered and integrated
- make time for student self-reflection and provide feedback re: her progress in each area and as a whole
- reformulate goals and expectations with the student until all areas are mastered

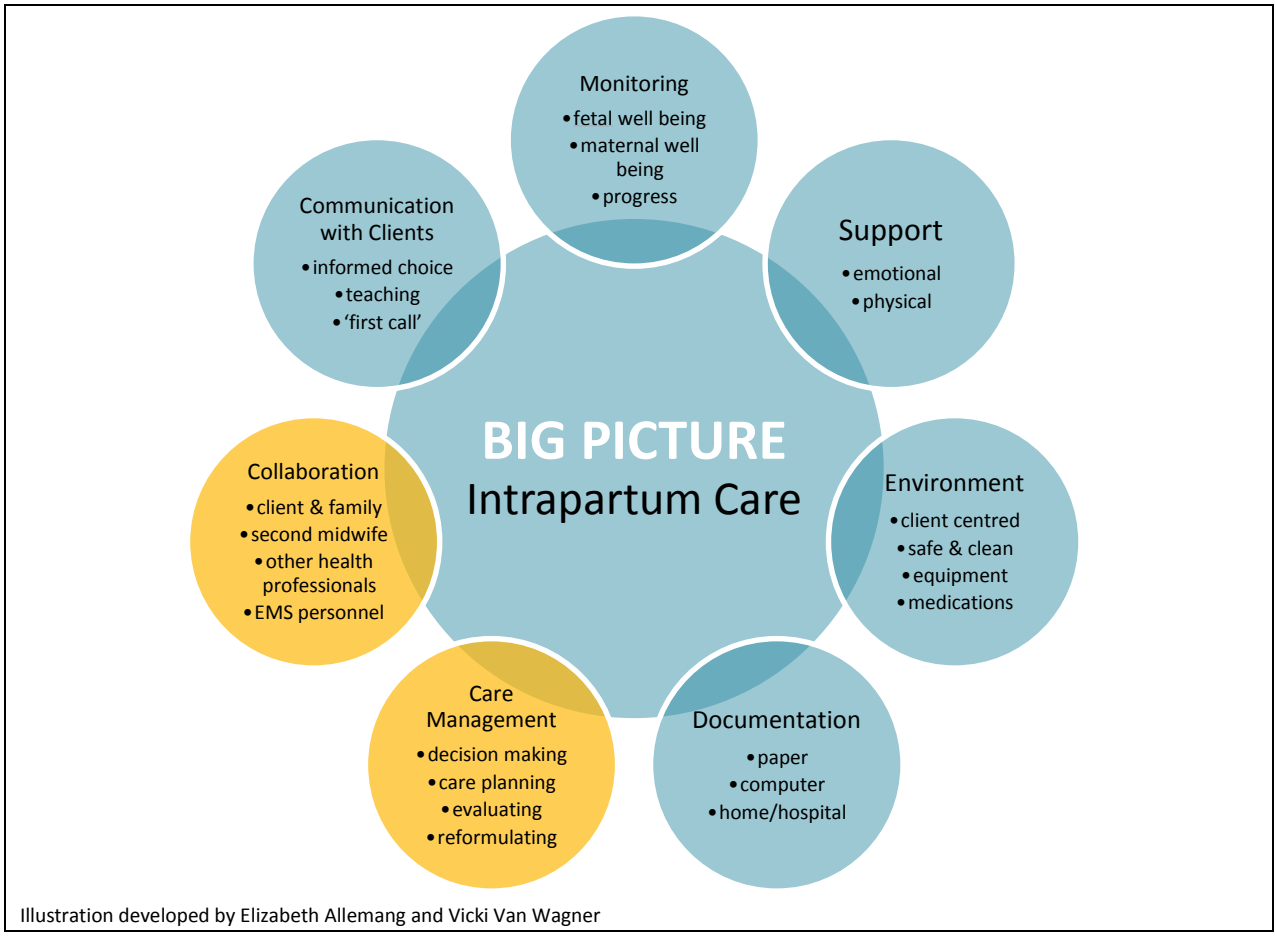
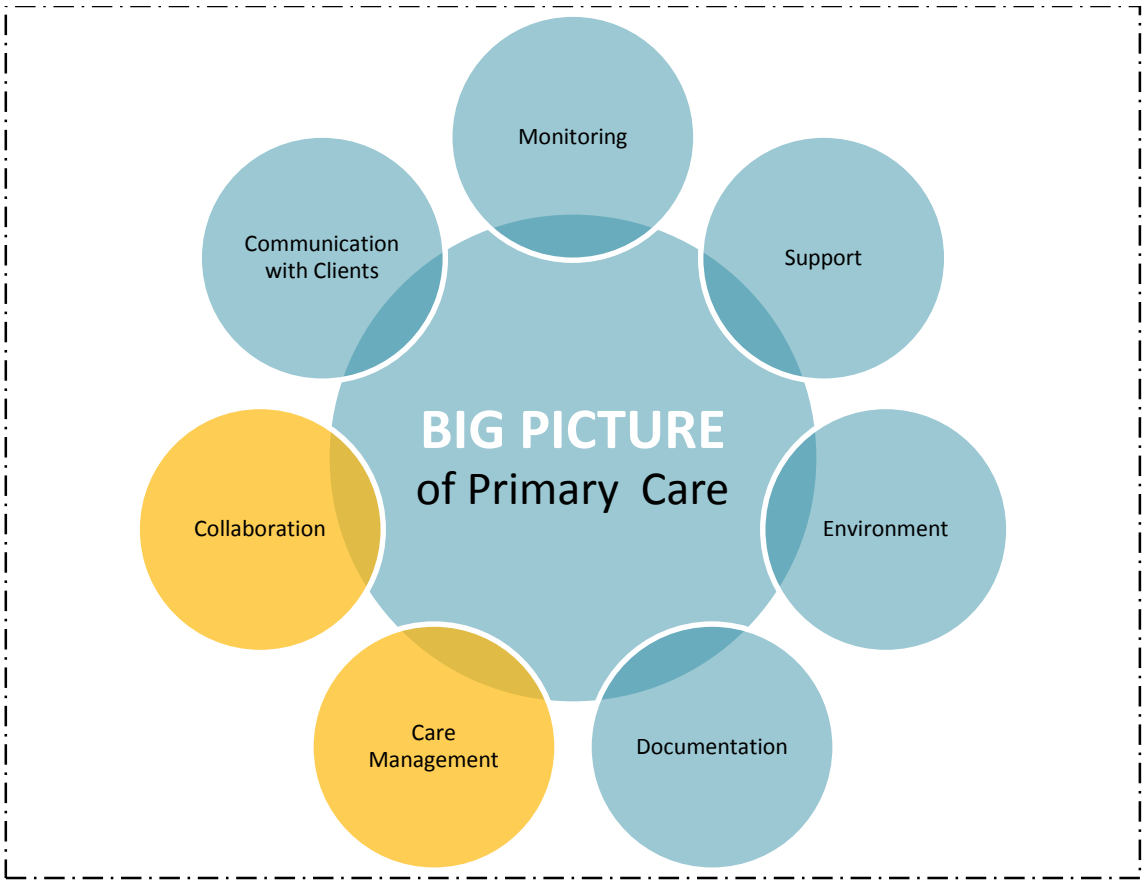
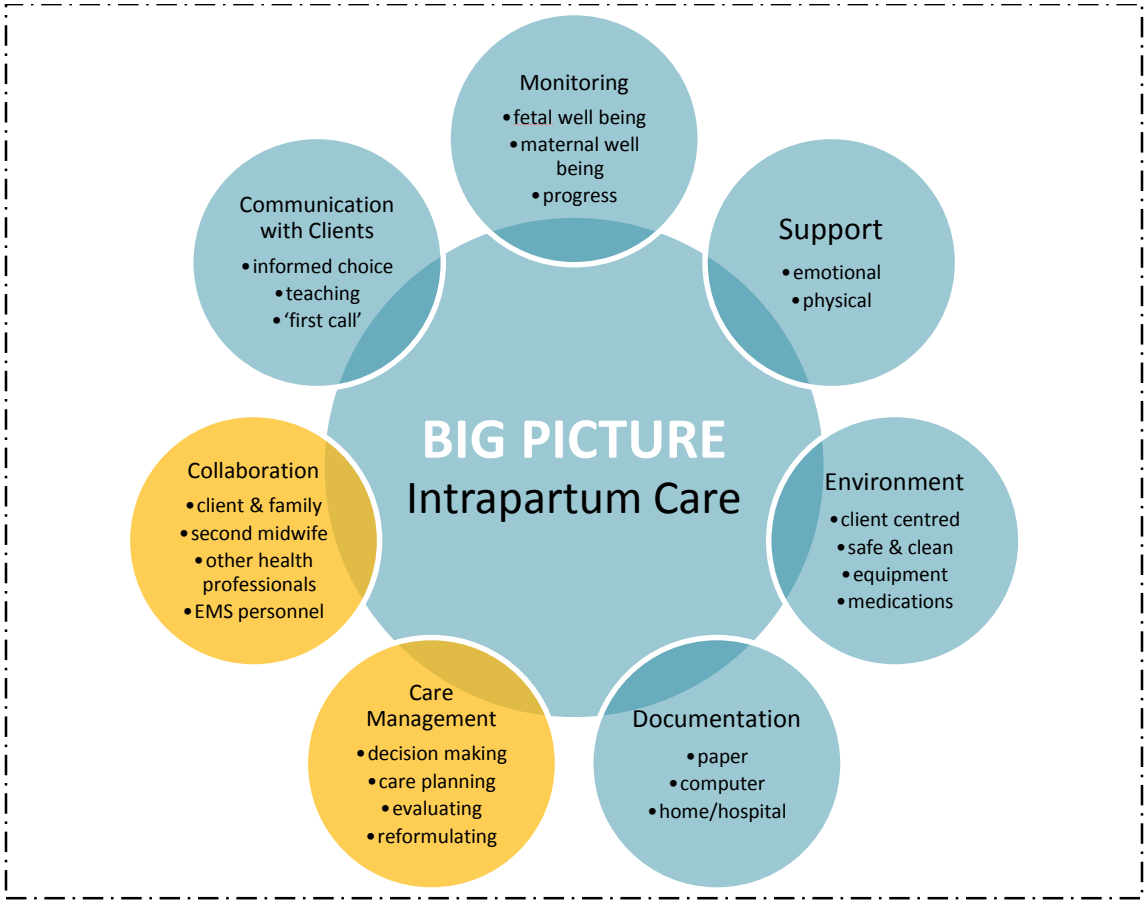


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Communication with Clients
Support
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of Primary Care
Collaboration
Environment
Care Management
Documentation


Monitoring
• fetal well being
• maternal well being
• progress
Communication with Clients
• informed choice
• teaching
• 'first call'
Support
• emotional
• physical
BIG PICTURE
Intrapartum Care
Collaboration
• client & family
• second midwife
• other health professionals
• EMS personnel
Environment
• client centred
• safe & clean
• equipment
• medications
Care Management
• decision making
• care planning
• evaluating
• reformulating
Documentation
• paper
• computer
• home/hospital