NCSBN Action Model Template - Annotated

Cognitive Operations (NCJMM Layer 3)	Factor Conditioning (NCJMM Layer 4)	Expected Behaviors/Actions
Recognize Cues	Environmental Cues:	Recognize these cues of immediate concern:
	• [where is the scenario taking place?]	· ·
	• [who is present?]	Recognize these cues as important but less urgent:
	• [other information]	
	Client Observation Cues:	Recognize these cues as not likely to be important in treatment of client:
	• [client description (e.g., age, sex, race/ethnicity)]	
	• [signs/symptoms]	
	• [physical assessment]	
	• [statements by client or others present]	
	• [other information]	
	Medical Record Cues:	
	• [vital signs]	
	• [medical history]	
	• [laboratory results]	
	• [other information]	
	Time Pressure Cues:	
	• [time-sensitive element of scenario]	
	• [time-sensitive element of scenario]	
Analyze Cues	Requires knowledge of [condition, risk factor, complication, etc.]	Connect these cues to [condition X]:
	Requires knowledge of [condition, risk factor, complication, etc.]	Connect these cues to [condition Y]:
	Requires knowledge of [condition, risk factor, complication, etc.]	Connect these cues to [condition Z]:
Prioritize Hypotheses	[Condition requiring immediate action]	Hypothesize that the client is most likely experiencing [condition] based
	[Other conditions requiring less urgent attention]	on [findings]
		Prioritize the condition/situation to focus on first:
		Prioritize conditions/situations to return to next or later:
Generate Solutions	[Interventions likely indicated based on client status and needs]	Consider indicated interventions:
	• [Interventions contraindicated based on client status and needs]	Recognize contraindicated interventions:
Take Action	Experience:	Determine the appropriate actions to take:
	• [Actions nurse should take]	Know how to take this action if non-routine:
	[Information that impacts how actions should be taken]	
Evaluate Outcomes	Client observation cues:	Associate these findings/data with improvement:
	[Findings indicating improvement of client status]	Associate these findings/data with worsening:
	[Findings indicating worsening of client status]	Continue to monitor:
	[Findings indicating little or no change]	