



# **Clinical Teaching**

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## Session Objectives

- Internalize the "big picture" of Health Professions education as integral to clinician educators
- Identify core skills of a clinician educators
- Explain the 1<sup>st</sup> step of teaching: setting expectations
- Review "mindful" teaching

# Where is Clinical Teaching?

On the wards \*\*\*

Clinic \*\*\*

Lectures

Small group

Research

Etc....



## The Big Clinical Education Picture

# Knowledge and Understanding

- Didactics
- Cases

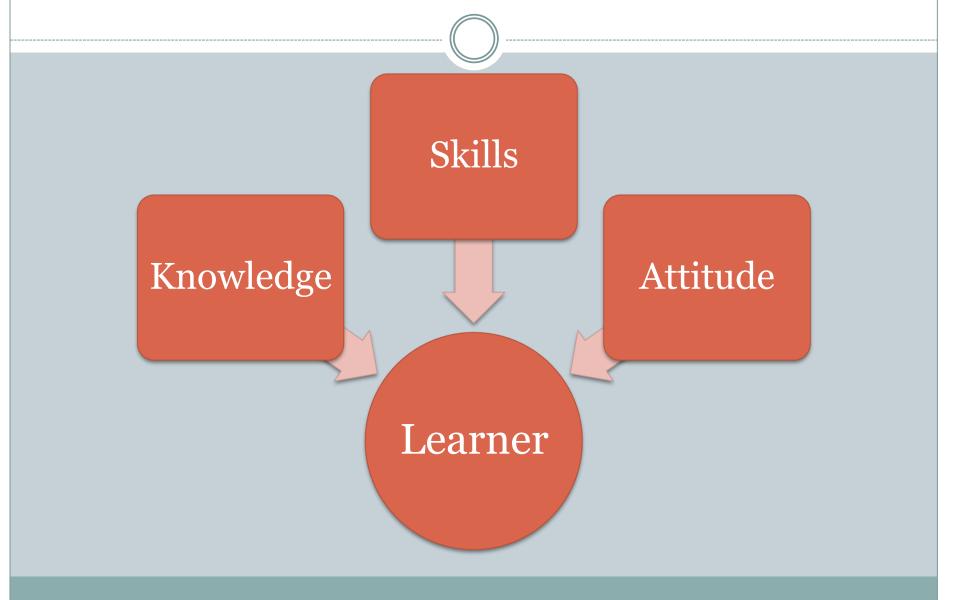
#### Skills

Clinical Care

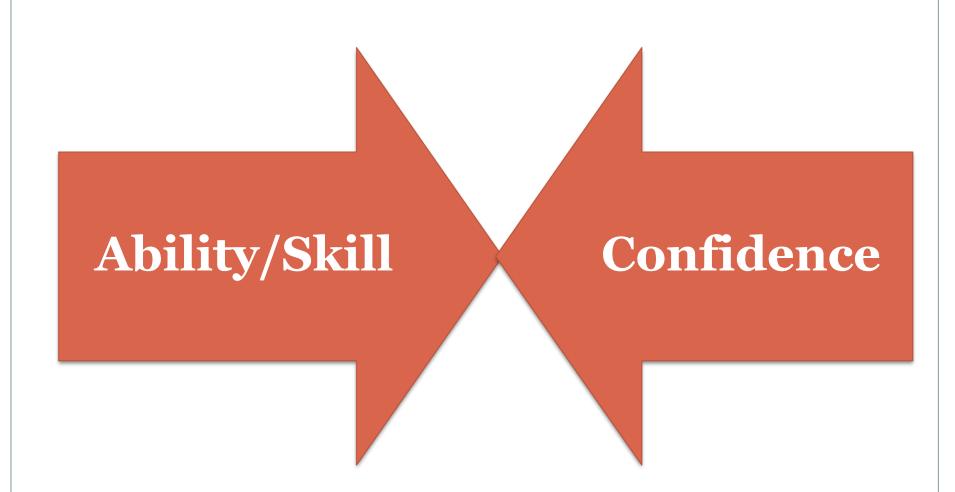
### Attitudes/Values

- Observation
- Prior experiences
- Role Models/Mentors

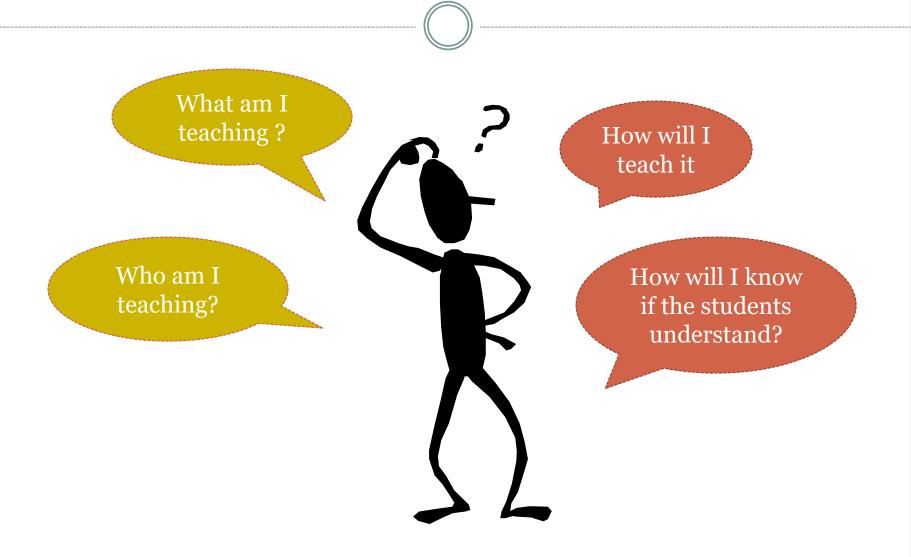
## What is Your Role as a Teacher?



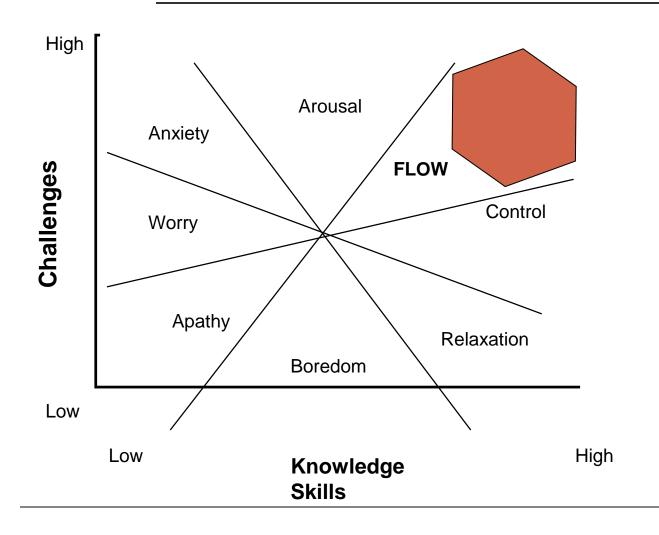
# Your Goal

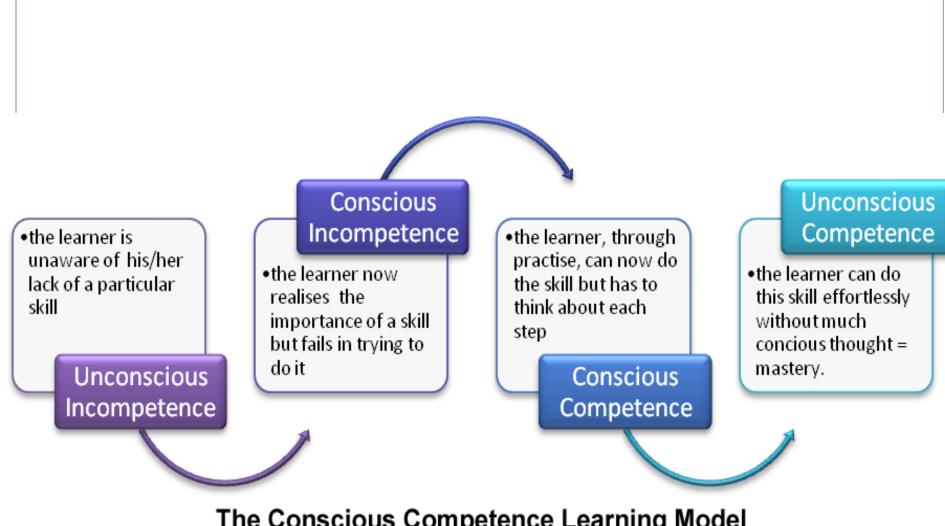


# Questions to ask yourself when planning a clinical teaching session



# "FLOW" EXPERIENCES IN RELATION TO CHALLENGES AND SKILLS





# The Conscious Competence Learning Model The way we acquire a new skill

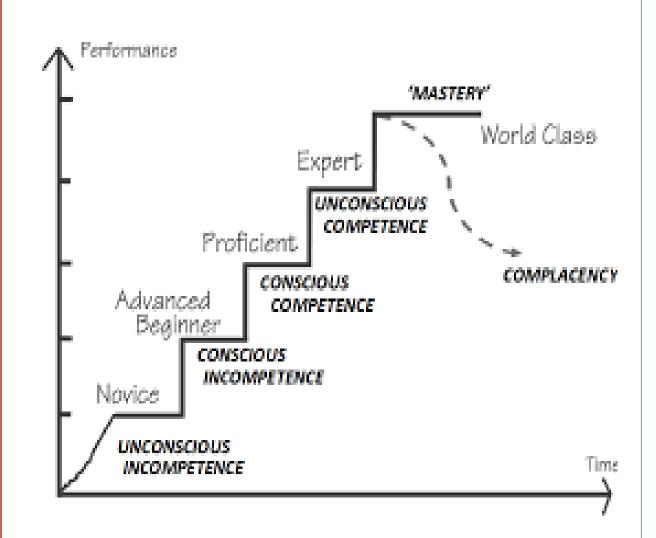
# Stages of Learning

Stage 1: Unconscious Incompetence

Stage 2: Conscious Incompetence

Stage 3: Conscious Competence

Stage 4: Unconscious Competence



### **CLINICAL TEACHING**

- What do I need to know to be an effective clinical teacher?
- ▶ What role (s) will I need to adopt?
- What attributes do I need to possess?
- What teaching strategies do I need to apply, and in what circumstances?
- How do I know my clinical teaching is effective?

### **Clinical Teacher**

- Diagnoses learner needs
- Observes
- Role models (knowledge, skills and attitudes)
- Demonstrates care
- Debriefs cases
- Provides feedback
- Encourages learner reflection

### **Notable Tensions**

- When to ask and when to tell
- When to model and when to watch
- When to discuss process and when to discuss content
- When to see a patient and when to follow from afar



## Adaptation of Teaching Styles

### Provider

 Sets objectives and expectations, conveys knowledge, and provides feedback

#### Facilitator

Helps the learner set the objectives and provide self feedback

### Consultant

 The learner sets the agenda and informs the preceptor how he/she can be of help

# For Preceptors: Diagnosis Your Learner How to use cognitive learning theory in clinical teaching?

### Help students to identify what they already know

 "Activate" prior knowledge through brainstorming and briefing

### Help students elaborate their knowledge

- Provide a bridge between existing a new information- for example, use of clinical examples, comparisons, analogies
- Debrief the students afterwards
- Promote discussion and reflection
- Provide relevant but variable contexts for the learning

# The Developmental Stages of Learners (Perry)

#### Dualism

Learners view knowledge as finite and obtainable

### Multiplicity

 Learners begin to accept there is uncertainty but continue to see things as either right (evidence-based) or wrong (anecdotal)

#### Relativism

 Learners begin to evaluate different opinions and begin to view their opinions as just as valuable as any other opinion.

### Commitment

 Learners can tolerate the constant tension created by uncertainty and act in the face of uncertainty

## **Step #1-Setting Expectations**

- Three step process
  - o 1. Pre-meet
  - o 2. In session
  - o 3. End of session
- Use Questions



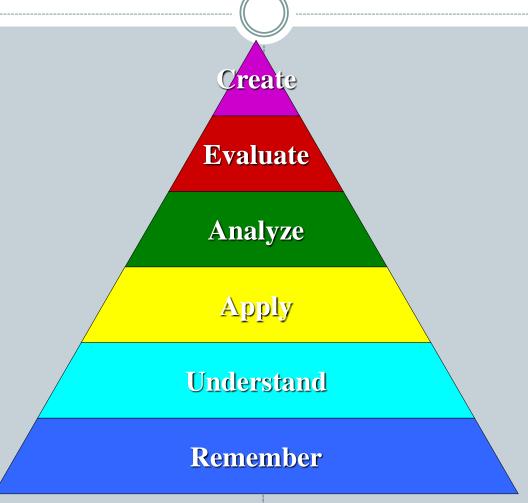


# How to use questions??



- Restrict use of closed questions
- (What? When? How many?)
- Use open or clarifying/probing questions
- (What are the options? What if?)
- Allow adequate time for students to give a response-
- Follow a poor answer with another question
- Answer learners' questions-with counter questions
- Statements make good questions-for example, "Students sometimes find this difficult to understand"
- Be non-confrontational

# Bloom's Taxonomy



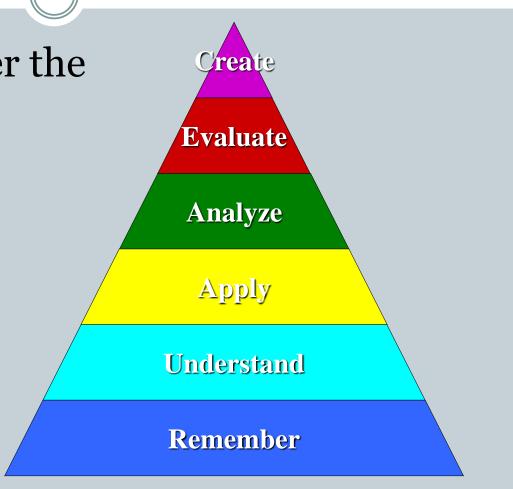
Based on revised Bloom's taxonomy.

APA adaptation of Anderson, L.W. & Krathwohl, D.R. (Eds.) (2001)

### Remember

Recall or remember the information

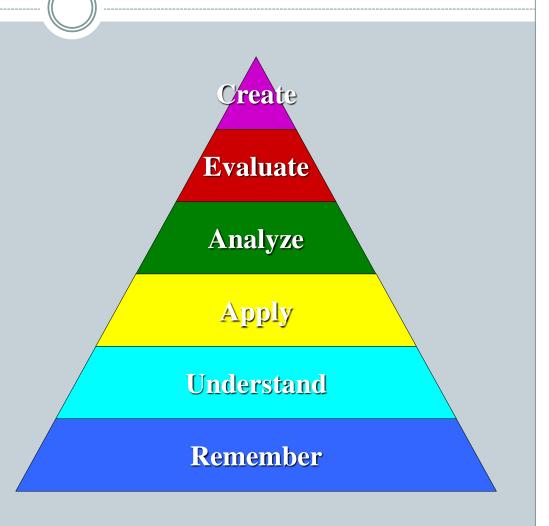
- Identify
- List
- Define
- Name
- Remember



### Understand

Explain ideas or concepts

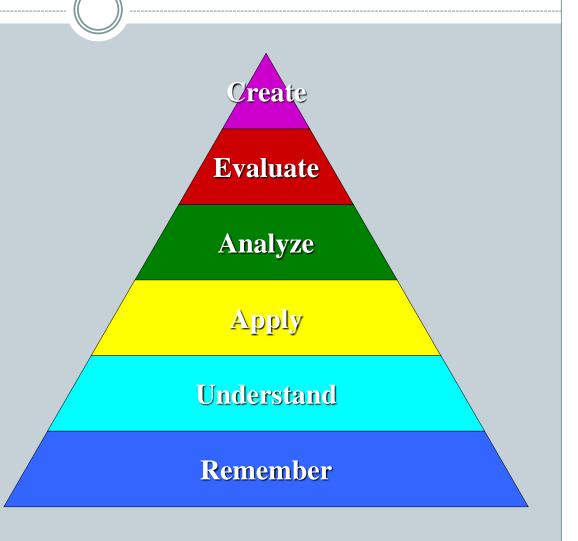
- Describe
- Give example
- Explain
- Summarize
- Discuss



# Apply

Use information in a new way

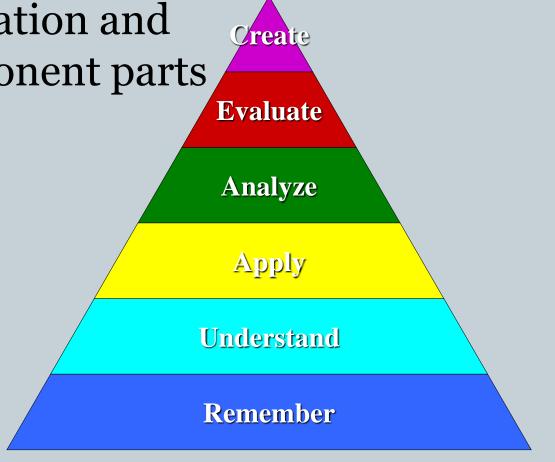
- Confirm
- Interpret
- Apply
- Utilize
- Demonstrate



## Analyze

Examine information and break into component parts

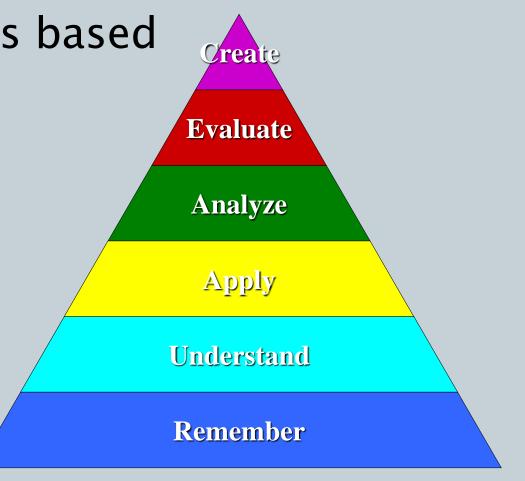
- Distinguish
- Compare
- Differentiate
- Outline



### Evaluate

Make judgments based on criteria

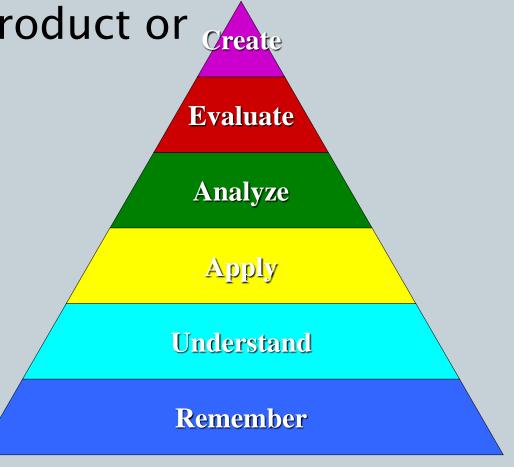
- Decide
- Justify
- Assess
- Choose



### Create

Create a new product or point of view

- Propose
- Role-play
- Develop
- Design
- Generate



# Socratic Questions Socratic Dialogue Critical Thinking

Goal: Probe thinking of learners

Analyze & assess a concept or line of reasoning

Probing Assumption S Why?

Probing Reasons/ Rationale Why?

Viewpoints & Perspectives When?/What if?

Conceptual/ clarification

What? How?

Types of **Questions** 

Probe implications & consequences What if?

## **General Guidelines for Questioning**

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## Overcoming obstacles to teaching

### **SKILLS**

#1 Teaching is a learning experience, don't be afraid of not knowing something – look it up & discuss

o role models self-directed learning

#### #2 Ask learner for feedback about teaching

- "How can I make learning better for you?"
- o "Did you experience what you expected today?
- "Unanswered questions from today?"



### How to Teach Anybody Anything-Be \*Mindful

- Tip 1
  - Mindful of the right amount of information, for learner level
- Tip 2
  - Mind the gap in knowledge and/or skills
- Tip 3
  - Mind the time
- Tip 4
  - Mind the student reaction

- Tip 5
  - Mindful feedback
- Tip 6
  - Monitor stress, aim optimal
- Tip 7
  - Be mindful-in the moment- when you are with learners

### William Osler

 "The value of experience is not in seeing much, but in seeing wisely."

 "No bubble is so iridescent or floats longer than that blown by the successful teacher."