SimChart Case Studies cover a common patient problem, drawn from actual clinical experiences. The case studies are written by nurses who are clinical experts. It also covers content on pharmacology, nutrition, diagnostics, and laboratory tests to prepare students for all aspects of patient care. Case Studies bridge the gap between nursing knowledge to nursing practice.

The Case Studies provide realistic scenarios that include cultural and psychosocial aspects. The scenarios allow students the opportunity to practice aspects of community health nursing, leadership/management, and have a search tool that allows searching by concept, patient, and diagnosis.

This is a walkthrough of the SimChart for Nursing: Cases.

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Locating SimChart Case Studies

1. Start by clicking on **Content Home** inside your NCO course.

2. Next, click into your **Nursing Concepts Online** folder.

3. Click into the Unit folder, then the Concept folder.

NOTE: For a better understanding of the Unit/Concept organization click on the **Concepts Organization Graphic** inside your Nursing Concepts Online folder.
4. Once in the Desired folder locate the **SimChart** folder.

   ![SimChart folder]

**NOTE:** This folder will not be in every concept folder, but only ones that have pre-assigned SimChart assignments related to the concept.

**NOTE:** By default, this folder is set to instructor only. To change this setting, follow the directions for *Changing Folder Settings* found later in this document.

5. Click into the **Cases** folder.

   ![Cases folder]

**NOTE:** This folder will not be in every SimChart folder, but only ones that have pre-assigned SimChart Case Studies related to the concept.

6. Here you will find all the pre-assigned SimChart Case Studies for that concept.

   ![SimChart Case Studies]

**NOTE:** A case study is only accessible to students when it and all its parent folders are visible to students. By default, the case study will be set to faculty only. To change this setting, follow the directions for *Settings of SimChart Case Studies* in the next section.
Settings of SimChart Case Studies

1. To access the settings of a Case Study, begin by clicking the edit button next to the desired Case Study.

2. Next click Settings. This expands the settings menu in the assignment.

We will now go over each of these settings in more detail below:

3. Visible To
   - All Students
   - Select Teams
   - Faculty Only

4. Availability
   - On
   - Off
   - Set Date

5. Due Date
   - [ ] Delivery Options

6. Graded Assignment

7. Password Protected
3. **Visible To** – This determines who can view the assignment if it is available.
   
   a. **All Students** – This selection will make the assignment visible to all students.
   
   b. **Select Teams** – This selection will provide you with the ability to select when different teams are able to view the assignment.
   
   c. **Faculty only** – This selection will make the assignment only appear for faculty members.

![Visible To](image)

**NOTE:** With Select Teams there does not need to be values for both **start and end dates** if desired. A blank **start date** will make it available until the **end date** passes, and a blank **end date** will make it available permanently once the **start date** passes.

4. **Availability** – This determines who the assignment is available to.
   
   a. **On** – This will make the assignment available to all students.
   
   b. **Off** – This will make the assignment available only to instructors.
   
   c. **Set Date** – This will allow an instructor to put in a Start Date and an End Date for the availability of the assignment to students.

![Availability](image)

**NOTE:** With Set Date there does not need to be values for both **start and end dates** if desired. A blank **start date** will make it available until the **end date** passes, and a blank **end date** will make it available permanently once the **start date** passes.
5. **Due Date** – If a due date is selected, the assignment will be placed on the Course Calendar if it is visible to the student.

![Due Date Screen](image)

6. **Graded Assignment** – If checked a column will be made in the gradebook.
   
   a. **Extra Credit** – This will set the assignment to extra credit.
   
   b. **Points Possible** – This is the number of points the assignment will be worth in the gradebook.
   
   c. **Category** – This will determine which category it appears in inside the gradebook. If **New Category** is selected, two new boxes will appear for the name and weight of the new category.
      
      i. **Category name** – This box is where the category’s name can be selected or entered.
      
      ii. **Category Weight** – This box is where the category’s weight can be entered.

![Graded Assignment Screen](image)

**NOTE:** When grading a SimChart Assignments the grade does not pass back to the gradebook. This would need to be completed manually.
7. **Password Protected** – If checked, students will need a password designated by the instructor prior to entering the assignment.

   a. **Password Text Box** – This will appear when *Password Protected* is checked, for the instructor to input the password they desire.

   ![Password Protected](image)

   **NOTE:** An Instructor can view the password in plain text by hovering over the PW next to *Password Protected*.

8. When the settings are adjusted as desired, click **Save**.
Changing Folder Settings

1. To access the settings of a folder, begin by clicking the **Edit** button next to the desired folder.
2. Next click **Settings**, this expands the settings menu in the folder.
3. **Visible To** – This determines who can view the folder if it is available.
   a. **All Students** – This selection will make the folder visible to all students.
   b. **Select Teams** – This selection will provide you with the ability to select when different teams are able to view the folder.
   c. **Faculty only** – This selection will make the folder appear only for faculty members.

![Visible To selection screen]

**NOTE:** With Select Teams, there does not need to be values for both start and end dates if desired. A blank start date will make it available until the end date passes, and a blank end date will make it available permanently once the start date passes.

4. **Availability** – This determines who the folder is available to.
   a. **On** – This will make the folder available to all students.
   b. **Off** – This will make the folder available only to instructors.
   c. **Set Date** – This will allow an instructor to put in a Start Date and an End Date for the availability of the folder to students.

![Availability selection screen]

**NOTE:** With Set Date there does not need to be values for both start and end dates if desired. A blank start date will make it available until the end date passes, and a blank end date will make it available permanently once the start date passes.
5. When the settings are adjusted as desired, click **Save**.