

PSY 634 Module Three Short Paper Rubric

Prompt: Jenny is a 17-year-old who was struck to the right side of her forehead with a softball during a game. The blow was hard enough that it rendered her unconscious for nearly an hour, and she was taken to the emergency department. A brain MRI revealed encephalomalacia (softening of tissue due to damage) in the right area of the frontal lobe. In the weeks following the injury, what types of deficits might you expect, given the location of the injury? What do you think would be the medical recommendations for the recovery process?

Guidelines for Submission: The short paper should be 2–4 pages, double-spaced, with 12-point Times New Roman font and 1-inch margins, and include citations in APA format.

Critical Elements	Exemplary (100%)	Proficient (90%)	Needs Improvement (70%)	Not Evident (0%)	Value
Evaluation of Deficits	Meets “Proficient” criteria and substantiates evaluation with scholarly research	Evaluates the deficits expected due to the location of the injury	Evaluation of the expected deficits is lacking details and is not appropriate for the location of the injury	Does not evaluate the deficits expected due to the location of the injury	40
Medical Recommendations	Meets “Proficient” criteria and supports medical recommendations with evidence from scholarly research	Provides medical recommendations for the recovery process	Medical recommendations for the recovery process are minimally addressed	Does not provide medical recommendations for the recovery process	40
Articulation of Response	Submission is free of errors related to citations, grammar, spelling, syntax, and organization and is presented in a professional and easy-to-read format	Submission has no major errors related to citations, grammar, spelling, syntax, or organization	Submission has major errors related to citations, grammar, spelling, syntax, or organization that negatively impact readability and articulation of main ideas	Submission has critical errors related to citations, grammar, spelling, syntax, or organization that prevent understanding of ideas	20
Total					100%