## BLUE HILLS REGIONAL TECHNICAL SCHOOL PRACTICAL NURSING PROGRAM

## **Clinical Plan**

**Goal:** Implement clinical learning experiences which allow opportunities for students to meet objectives outlined in Evaluation Tools and program and student learning outcomes

Goal Established: January 2012

Reviewed: Revised November 2020; updated December 2022

Objectives	Strategies	Person(s) Responsible	Date for Review of goal achievement	Objective Met, Unmet, In- Progress
1. Select clinical settings based on outlined criteria	<ul> <li>Evaluate clinical settings annually and make changes as indicated: <ul> <li>appropriateness of the experience in ability to meet course objectives</li> <li>knowledge/skill level of students</li> <li>role of nursing in setting</li> <li>availability of support resources</li> <li>willingness of staff/setting to accommodate students</li> <li>number of other nursing students using site</li> <li>physical safety of setting/location</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	PN Coordinator and Clinical Faculty	December	Dec.2022 - objectives met. continue to review
2. Maintain legal affiliation agreement	<ul> <li>Review affiliation agreements annually, and revise as indicated</li> <li>Ensure that each agreement contains: <ul> <li>Date of Agreement</li> <li>Learning objectives</li> <li>responsibility of instructors for students in clinical.</li> <li>type and number of clinical units to be utilized.</li> <li>Period of time during which students will be present in the unit.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	PN Coordinator	October	October 2022: objective met; maintain

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	<ul> <li>dates of affiliation</li> <li>States that agency is ultimately responsible for patient care.</li> <li>States that the program is ultimately responsible for students' education.</li> <li>Provision for annual meetings.</li> <li>Term of the agreement</li> <li>Liability insurance</li> <li>health requirements</li> <li>Signatures</li> </ul>			
3. Maintain clear, open, Interagency	Meet with facility leaders at the beginning of each rotation to	PN Coordinator Clinical Faculty	Annually in December	Ongoing - Will evaluate clinical
Communication	<ul> <li>share information such as: changes in expectations, roles, units, significant policy/procedure, protocol changes; introduce new staff</li> </ul>		and June	evaluation experience at end of December
	<ul> <li>Provide facility with</li> <li>Course syllabus with learning objectives</li> <li>Schedule</li> <li>Student roster</li> </ul>			in progress; maintain and continue review twice/year
	<ul> <li>Meet with the facility at the end of the rotation to:</li> <li>how rotation went</li> <li>facility concerns</li> <li>faculty concerns</li> <li>general results of student evaluation of clinical experience</li> </ul>			
	Maintain documentation of meeting as pre- and post- clinical rotation meeting minutes			
	Review information identified in meeting minutes, and implement changes as indicated			

4. Complete an Orientation to Facility according to their policy	<ul> <li>Faculty attend required facility orientation, which may include <ul> <li>Policies &amp; procedures</li> <li>Equipment</li> <li>Documentation</li> <li>Role expectations</li> <li>Communication methods</li> </ul> </li> <li>Students attend facility orientation, which may include: <ul> <li>Mandatory agency orientation – fire, safety, infection control, HIPAA, etc.</li> <li>Agency specifics – parking, ID, passwords, tour</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	PN Coordinator and clinical faculty	Annually in November	Dec. 2022 All students and faculty attended appropriate orientations for Module I. Ongoing for each module. Continue to evaluate annually
All students are oriented to Clinical expectations	<ul> <li>Faculty provide orientation to the school's clinical expectations, to include</li> <li>Time on unit, leaving unit, schedule of day, meals, assignment posting</li> <li>Method to call in absent or tardy – phone #, time</li> <li>Review of clinical objectives &amp; evaluation tool (requires student signature)</li> <li>Review of roles/responsibilities/communication</li> <li>Documentation required</li> <li>Clinical assignment</li> </ul>	PN Coordinator and clinical faculty	Annually May	May 2022: all met; in process of establishing orientation plan for new clinical experiences 12/22 orientation plan revised for Module I - objective met
Student assignments are designed to meet clinical expectations	<ul> <li>Faculty will consider the following when making assignments:</li> <li>Priority – health, safety, welfare of clients</li> <li>Clinical objectives</li> <li>Learning objectives of class content</li> <li>Complexity of learning situation</li> <li>Student level</li> <li>Safety of patient</li> <li>Degree of supervision needed</li> <li>Teacher – student ratio by contract</li> <li>evaluate as pt. condition changes</li> </ul>	PN Coordinator and clinical faculty	Annually May	May 2022: reviewed faculty assignment making processes and no change to plan

Faculty provide supervision appropriate to individual situations	<ul> <li>Faculty:</li> <li>are readily available to students and agency staff during clinical learning experiences.</li> <li>Immediate feedback re: safety issues</li> <li>Prompt feedback to Students at-risk for not meeting critical competencies</li> <li>Verbal conference to discuss clinical issues with students</li> <li>Document discussions with students at risk</li> </ul>	PN Coordinator and clinical faculty	Annually June	May 20221: review of evaluations by students indicates effective plan that is followed
Faculty evaluate all students according to clinical objectives for the module	<ul> <li>Faculty:</li> <li>Give Warning/Probation notices per school policy</li> <li>Discuss any warnings/probation with faculty &amp; chairperson</li> <li>Complete midterm &amp; final student clinical evaluations by date assigned</li> </ul>	PN Coordinator and clinical faculty	Annually June	May 2022: process for MS II redesigned based on changes to clinical scheduling. Plan stands as appropriate. 12/22 updated - Module I midterm & final evaluations completed and shared with students, signatures obtained. Ongoing process
Students and faculty evaluate rotation and clinical setting at end of rotation	Student: evaluate of clinical experience, clinical setting and faculty Faculty: conduct post - clinical meeting with facility	Clinical Faculty	Annually in June	May 2022 - students have consistently participated in evaluating clinical experience. Up to date with minutes from clinical site meetings re: clinical experience

## \*Plan for Clinical is publically available on Blue Hills Regional Technical School website <u>www.bluehills.org</u> under the Practical Nursing tab.

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