

Clinical Preceptor:

The preparation of Advanced Practice Registered Nurses requires a team effort between education and practice. Thank you for agreeing to be a clinical preceptor for a Doctor or Nursing Practice degree student in her/his first practicum course. This letter provides brief information about the nurse practitioner program at the Creighton University College of Nursing and about the practicum requirements for this course.

A resource for clinical preceptors can be found at: bit.ly/grad_preceptor_orient

A variety of materials have been shared to inform and enrich the challenging role of clinical preceptor. There is no cost for any of this information.

Prior to enrolling in this course, students have successfully completed clinical courses in Advanced Pathophysiology, Advanced Physical Assessment, and Advanced Pharmacotherapeutics. This semester the student will begin didactic courses in common conditions in the primary care setting and the basics of Evidence-Based Practice.

The focus of this first practicum is to concentrate on the history and assessment of patients, and to develop the skills to diagnose and manage common and uncomplicated acute episodic and chronic health problems of patients across the lifespan (for FNP students) that are managed predominately in primary care settings.

Students will need:

- A brief orientation to your facility's routines, procedures, and means of documentation.
- Your guidance as an expert role model.
- Validation and feedback regarding the conduction of history and physical exams and beginning management
- Guidance to develop differential diagnoses
- Suggestions for improvement, including pertinent resources and readings.
- Feedback regarding documentation.

We depend on your feedback regarding the student's performance in your facility. Please complete the evaluation at the end of the term in EValue. You will be notified as to how to access.

Thank you again for your assistance. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me.
Sincerely, Martha Todd

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