

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 sixth 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 complete clinical hours in primary care, but may also work with specialty preceptors such as radiology, orthopedics, cardiology, etc.

The focus of this sixth practicum is to continue to be independent, with continued guidance from the preceptor, to assess and develop plans of care for patients. The student should also be following up with patients, making follow up phone calls, etc.

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 continuing management of patient care
- Guidance to continue to develop differential diagnoses
- Suggestions for improvement, including pertinent resources and readings
- Feedback regarding documentation and management plans

We depend on your feedback regarding the student's performance in your facility. Please complete the evaluation form at the end of the term. These evaluations will be sent via email and will link you to a site in our electronic information documentation system (E*Value). You will be notified as to how to access the system. The student will not receive a grade for the course until these evaluations have been completed.

Thank you again for your assistance. Your willingness to share your expertise and assist in educating the next generation of nurse practitioners is invaluable to our university. If you have any questions or concerns now or at any point during the semester or would like any additional information, please contact me.

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