

655—2.15(152) Undergraduate and non-ARNP graduate program preceptorship.

2.15(1) A preceptor shall be selected by the nursing program in collaboration with a clinical facility to provide supportive learning experiences consistent with program outcomes.

a. A nursing education program shall not require students to find their own preceptors. The nursing education program and student shall work together to find an appropriate preceptor.

b. The student shall have the preceptorship learning experience with a preceptor who has equivalent licensure as the student or practices in the same role for which the student is preparing.

2.15(2) The qualifications of a preceptor shall be appropriate to support the philosophy, mission, and outcomes of the program.

a. The preceptor shall be employed by or maintain a current written agreement with the clinical facility in which a preceptorship experience occurs.

b. The preceptor shall be currently licensed as a registered nurse, licensed practical nurse, or advanced registered nurse practitioner according to the laws of the state in which the preceptor practices.

c. The preceptor shall function according to written policies for selection, evaluation and reappointment developed by the program. Written qualifications, developed by the program, shall address educational preparation, experience, and clinical competence.

d. The program shall be responsible for informing the preceptor of the responsibilities of the preceptor, faculty and students.

e. The program shall retain ultimate responsibility for student learning and evaluation.

2.15(3) The program shall inform the board about the preceptorship learning experience process.

a. Written preceptorship agreements shall be reviewed annually by the program.

b. The board may conduct a site visit to settings in which preceptorship experiences occur.

c. The rationale for the ratio of students to preceptors shall be documented by the program.

2.15(4) An individual who is not a registered nurse or a licensed practical nurse may serve as a preceptor when appropriate to the philosophy, mission, and outcomes of the program.

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