

**481—616.15(152) Undergraduate and non-ARNP graduate program preceptorship.**

**616.15(1)** The nursing program, in collaboration with a clinical facility, selects preceptors to provide supportive learning experiences to meet program outcomes.

- a.* The nursing education program and student will work together to find an appropriate preceptor.
- b.* An appropriate preceptor is a licensee who has equivalent licensure as the student or practices in the same role for which the student is preparing.

**616.15(2)** The qualifications of a preceptor will 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 functions 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 is responsible for informing the preceptor of the responsibilities of the preceptor, faculty and students.
- e.* The program retains ultimate responsibility for student learning and evaluation.

**616.15(3)** The program shall inform the board about the preceptorship learning experience process.

- a.* Written preceptorship agreements are 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.

**616.15(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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