



Supervision of Students in Agencies: Advanced Practice Registered Nursing Programs

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Review History: Includes Effective Date, Review and Revision History:

- 09/09/2011: Policy initiation meeting (Carol Howe, Cheryl Wright, Kathy Cook, Margaret Scharf, PW, TLO)
- 09/28/11: Policy discussion meeting (CW, KC, PW, TLO)
- 10/24/11: Policy discussion meeting (CW, KC, MS TLO)
- 11/21/11: Policy review and approval for APN students, approved by APNLC. Baccalaureate level and non-APRN sections to be developed through AY 11-12

POLICY STATEMENT:

In order to ensure adequate supervision of students enrolled in advanced practice registered nursing/nurse practitioner programs, and to meet professional organizational standards, all OHSU School of Nursing (SON) faculty members conducting and/or responsible for supervision of students must be appropriately qualified in the specialty/major area and adhere to the following minimum standards for supervision of students in agencies. Faculty will:

- Directly observe students at least once per term; and
- Conduct an onsite visit with each primary preceptor/clinical coordinator at least once per term. Additional visits will be prompted by expressed concerns of students, faculty, or preceptors regarding the clinical placement or student performance in that agency.

Each specialty/major is required to document in their specialty-specific *Program Guidelines* and *Preceptor Manuals* how the faculty members implement these standards and the methods for documentation that supervision has occurred.

The OHSU School of Nursing Nurse-Anesthesia Program is excluded from this policy as it is bound by the Council on Accreditation standard(s) regarding student supervision.

DEFINITIONS, RELATED REFERENCES, & NOTES (if applicable):

Related References:

- NONPF Issue Statement on Clinical Evaluation of APN/NP Students (<http://www.nonpf.com/associations/10789/files/clinobserv2003.pdf>)

¹ The Chair of the Faculty Committee/Council or Official Administrative Unit responsible for oversight

IMPLEMENTING PROCEDURES:

Responsible Party:	Action:
Associate Dean for Practice Graduate & Clinical Programs	Ensures annual review and update, as necessary, <i>Program Guidelines</i> and <i>Preceptor Manuals</i> to ensure standards and methods for documentation that supervision has occurred are current.
Program Directors	Ensures that faculty are appropriately documenting student supervision as outlined in this policy and program-specific procedures.

Committee/Council Chair or Official Administrative Approval

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Signature

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Date

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