

STUDENT NURSING PLACEMENT IN THE DAY HOSPITAL SECTOR

Frequently Asked Questions

- 1. What is in it for me?**
 - a. Placement of students will increase their exposure to the day hospital sector, demonstrating that for career opportunities post grad, that the day hospital is an exciting area to work in
 - b. It will help with recruitment into the sector by exposing students in the early years
 - c. It also provides our RN with an opportunity for professional development in the teaching field

- 2. Wont it be too boring for the student?**
 - a. NO, things we take for granted can be eye opening for a student, they get to see the full perioperative rotation, including chronic health planning, visualise the bowel and upper GI tract anatomy in endoscopy, or cataract surgery, IV management and aseptic technique, airway management for example

- 3. Which Universities are involved?**
 - a. All Universities across Australia have expressed an interest in participating and partnering with the Day Hospitals to improve student options for clinical placements
 - b. Universities were impacted due to COVID so are desperately looking for placement options, plus they have all increased their student numbers

- 4. Which students are we talking about?**
 - a. Majority of Universities are looking for second and third year student placements
 - b. A couple have suggested a first-year placement would also benefit some students

- 5. How long are the placements for?**
 - a. Second year approx. 2 weeks but varies from university to university and semester
 - b. Third year approx. 4 – 6 weeks but varies from university to university and semester
 - c. There are also refresher students from OS and EN to RN students

- 6. Are there also placement opportunities for Graduates?**
 - a. Yes

7. How do we know the student will be suitable for placement?

- a. The university will work closely with you to determine the suitability of your day hospital to safely place a student
- b. The students are only placed if deemed safe to do so

8. How much support do we have to provide the student?

- a. This depends on whether you take a first- or second-year student
- b. The university will support you every step of the way
- c. There can also be a financial incentive to have students

9. How much support does the university provide?

- a. This depends entirely on whether you have somebody who is suitable to be a preceptor or not
- b. The university will work closely with you to ensure the student has the appropriate level of support

10. Are students' hands on?

- a. Depends on their year, but the aim for third year is that once they have orientation, they can work autonomously

11. What about legal risks?

- a. Once you loop into a university, they will work with you to develop an agreement which covers off the legal aspects of student placement

12. What about assessments?

- a. Majority are all online and the university will work with you to learn the process

Just think about this valuable opportunity to recruit staff into the Day Hospital sector, speak to a university and see what they have to say, they are not wanting to set you or the student up to fail.

Many Day Hospitals already participate and have all expressed how wonderful it is.