

Vanderbilt University Hospital

Student Nurse Clinical Experience – Women’s Health Clinical Groups

VUH provides opportunities for clinical rotations during a credited course through school partners.

- Clinical instructors facilitate one student to be paired with a Labor & Delivery [L&D] preceptor, one student to be paired with a Maternal Special Care [MSC] preceptor, and the remaining students to be actively managed on the Mother Baby Obstetrics [MBO] unit.
- Clinical Instructors contact the L&D and MBO Shift Leaders by 0400 the morning of a clinical rotation to determine appropriate MBO patient assignments and L&D/MSC preceptor placements.
- Clinical instructors [MBO] and assigned preceptors [L&D/MSC] give feedback regarding the student’s progress and review all nursing tasks during the shift.

While under the direct supervision of a clinical instructor or an assigned preceptor, the following is a non-inclusive Scope of practice.

Scope of Practice:	Outside Scope of Practice:
Students are given as many opportunities as possible within their scope of practice. During the rotational experience, students must be accompanied by the clinical instructor or preceptor when completing any new skill or one which requires a nursing license.	Due to the need for additional training, certification, and/or nursing licensure, some skills are outside the student’s Scope of Practice.
<p>Can be performed under the indirect supervision of clinical instructor [MBO] or assigned preceptor [L&D/MSC] [once deemed competent]:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities of daily living <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Ambulating ○ Toileting ○ Linen changes • Documentation [cosigned by the clinical instructor or preceptor] • Intake and Output • Vital Signs <p>Must be performed under the direct supervision of clinical instructor [MBO] or assigned preceptor [L&D/MSC]:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Administer medications [excluding IV push or controlled substances] • Foley Catheter insertion, care, removal • Adult Phlebotomy • Prime IV fluids • Bulb suctioning of infants 	<p>Outside of the Scope of Practice for Students:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accessing peripheral or central lines [starting, flushing, blood sampling, or saline/hep locking] • Administer IV push medications • Remove medications from the Omnicell ® system • Independently administer any type of medications • Complete independent assessments • Change infusion pump settings, titrate drips, or manage IVs and infusion pumps without direct supervision <p>Outside of the Scope of Practice for Students & Instructors:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Administer or cosign blood and/or blood products • Administer controlled substances or cosign controlled substance tracking records • Perform Point of Care testing • Obtain or witness consent for surgery, procedures, etc. • Be responsible and accountable for tools which require training [Admission history, Braden skin assessments, Falls risk assessments, Medication reconciliation, Postpartum hemorrhage risk assessments]