

Practice Assessor (PA)/ Practice Supervisor (PS) Checklist

Prior to student allocation

On a Monthly Basis

Ensure that information on QMPLE is up to date, notify PEF/ CHEF of any changes required

1-2 weeks prior to student starting (PS and/or PA)

Review PS and PA shift patterns and roster student shifts onto off-duty. (including nights, weekends and public holidays to ensure a full range of experience for the student over the 24-hour patient care range)

Once PS and PA has been identified, populate names onto QMPLE

NB. Student nurses should NOT be self-rostering to ensure all learners on placement have equal access to all learning opportunities. Student should discuss with PS/PA if they are unable to carry out rostered shifts where reasonable adjustments can be made.

1 week prior to student starting (PS and /or PA)

Check the name of your student and start date (if possible, should be working together on first shift)

Identify the student's length of practice learning experience and year of study.

DURING YOUR PS/PA ROLE

Within first 24-48 hours (PS and /or PA)	
Welcome your student to the clinical area	
Provide induction booklet/ information re: clinical area, including any area specific workbooks (relevant to students)	
Orientate to clinical area (using Scottish PAD orientation checklist)	
Establish previous experience/s	
Review students' assessment from previous practice learning experience within the PAD	

Discuss learning opportunities available, including any relevant workbooks.	
Review module learning outcomes with student	
Review student's pre-placement activities	
Set provisional dates for interim and final assessments	

Throughout practice learning experience (PS and /or PA)

Encourage student/s to ask questions	
Provide daily feedback (even 5 mins)	
Identify any areas of concern in a timely manner with the student and discuss any concerns with Practice Education Facilitator (PEF) Care Home Education Facilitator (CHEF) / Academic Assessor (AA)/ Line Manager as appropriate	
Record hours worked and absences daily within PAD	
Review progress of student in relation to their PAD	

Interim Assessment (PS and/ or PA)

Ensure the Interim assessment is carried out within agreed timescale	
Review learning needs and opportunities for remainder of placement	
Highlight progression achieved in all Platforms and Proficiencies	
Review & ensure that documentation is up to date	
Document any concerns you have discussed with the student regarding	
their performance if not carried out already	
Agree and document a learning development support plan (LDSP) if required	
Contact AA/ PEF/CHEF regarding the learning development support plan	
Set additional date to review LDSP plan prior to final assessment.	

Final Assessment (PA only, using feedback from PS's, Staff and PA's own observations)

Ensure final assessment carried out within timescale	
Overall Pass / Fail result should not be a surprise for student	
Review and complete timesheet	
Review performance in each of the Platforms and Proficiencies	
Ensure any ongoing concerns are documented	
Ask student to complete student evaluation on QMPLE	

After Your PS/PA Role

Reflect on the practice learning experience for your annual appraisal and NMC Revalidation.

Definitions

Practice Assessor:

Practice assessors must be a registered nurse with appropriate equivalent experience for the student's field of practice.

Practice Supervisor:

A practice supervisor can be any registered health or social care professional working in a practice environment. They've been prepared and supported to take up their role and have up to date knowledge and experience relevant to the student they are supervising.

Academic Assessor:

Academic assessors collate and confirm the student's achievement of proficiencies and programme outcomes in the academic and practice environment for each part of the programme.

Helpful Links

Underperforming student resource

LDSP resource

Bitesize resources

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