Guidelines for Out-of-State Public Health Clinicals – RN to BSN

Prior to admission to the RN to BSN program at the University of North Dakota, all students, except those living in North Dakota, South Dakota, or Minnesota must secure approval from the State Board of Nursing in their respective state of residence. Verification of our ability to provide this clinical educational experience for all students in our RN to BSN program is critical and an offer of admission is contingent on securing the appropriate approval in each state. Applicants all states other than North Dakota, South Dakota and Montana must contact their State Board of Nursing to request completion of the UND Public Health Clinical Approval Form. This form must be completed and returned at the time of application in order to ensure states other than those listed above will allow student clinical placement. Information obtained by the State Board of Nursing or other entity that governs out of state nursing program requirements in the state the student resides will determine whether or not student admission can be offered.

Clinical placement preference is at local public health departments, but other sites may be appropriate. Clinical placement is secured as close to the student’s place of residence as possible. The course requires 90 clinical hours, most of which must be completed between 9 am and 5 pm on Monday through Friday, over the course of the summer. UND may not be able to accommodate clinical experiences in some states due to specific state board of nursing regulations.
The University of North Dakota offers an online RN to BSN program to students who have a diploma or Associate Degree in nursing and are licensed as registered nurses in their respective state(s). One of the requirements of our program is a Public Health course, which includes a clinical experience. In order to ensure that any admitted student is allowed to complete their public health clinical experience in their respective state of residence, the following information is required by the State Board of Nursing and/or any other entity that regulates out of state nursing programs.

1. Does your state allow out of state nursing programs to offer online courses with a clinical component to offer that course within your state? YES NO

2. Does your state require direct onsite UND clinical faculty supervision or is an onsite clinical agency preceptor acceptable? YES NO

   Please clarify, if needed ____________________________________________________________

3. Is there a requirement that the UND clinical faculty need to be licensed in your state? YES NO

4. Are there any other restrictions that may affect UND’s ability to offer clinical placement to the student in your state?

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5. Are there any other agencies that need to approve this request? If so, which agency? ______________

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6. Any additional comments: ____________________________________________________________
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Printed Name of Board of Nursing official completing form: __________________________________________

Signature of Board of Nursing official: _______________________________________________________

Date: __________________________________________________________________________________

Please return the completed form to:

Office of Student Services  
UND College of Nursing and Professional Disciplines  
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Grand Forks, ND  58202-9025