

**Title 20—DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE, FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND
PROFESSIONAL REGISTRATION
Division 2200—State Board of Nursing
Chapter 8—Minimum Standards for Approved Veteran’s Bridge
Programs of Practical Nursing**

PROPOSED RULE

20 CSR 2200-8.085 Preceptors

PURPOSE: This rule defines the utilization of preceptors.

- (1) Preceptors may be used as role models, mentors, and supervisors of students in practical nursing programs.
 - (A) Preceptors do not replace faculty in the education of the student but serve to assist faculty and the student in achieving designated objectives of a nursing course.
 - (B) Preceptors shall not be utilized in the fundamentals of a nursing course.
 - (C) Preceptors shall supervise no more than two (2) students during any given shift. Supervision by a preceptor means that the preceptor is present and available to the student(s) in the clinical setting.
- (2) Each nursing program shall have written policies for the use of preceptors which incorporate the criteria listed in this rule.
- (3) Responsibilities of preceptors shall include:
 - (A) Possess current license to practice as a registered professional or licensed practical nurse with at least one (1) year experience in the area of clinical specialty for which the preceptor is used;
 - (B) Perform the responsibilities as determined by the nursing program; and
 - (C) Provide written documentation to faculty regarding the student’s performance in relation to meeting designated course objectives.
- (4) Responsibilities of the nursing program faculty in regards to utilization of preceptors shall include:
 - (A) Select the preceptor in collaboration with the clinical site;
 - (B) Provide the preceptor with information as to the duties, roles, and responsibilities of the faculty, the student, and the preceptor including the communication processes;
 - (C) Provide the preceptor a copy of the objectives of the course in which the student is enrolled and directions for assisting the student to meet objectives specific to the clinical experience;
 - (D) Assume responsibility for each student’s final evaluation and the assigning of a performance rating or grade;
 - (E) Be readily available to students and clinical preceptors during clinical learning experiences; and

(F) Shall meet periodically with the clinical preceptors and student(s) for the purpose of monitoring and evaluating learning experiences.

AUTHORITY: sections 324.007 and 335.036, RSMo 2016, Original Rule Filed: April 17, 2017.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed rule will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed rule will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

*NOTICE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS: Anyone may file a statement in support of or in opposition to this proposed rule with the State Board of Nursing, Lori Scheidt, Executive Director, PO Box 656, Jefferson City, MO 65102, by fax at (573) 751-0075, or via email at nursing@pr.mo.gov. To be considered, comments must be received within thirty (30) days after publication of this notice in the **Missouri Register**. No public hearing is scheduled.*