WAC 246-840-536 Dedicated education units for practical nurse or registered nurse nursing education programs. (1) Nursing education programs in collaboration with a health care facility may use dedicated education units as identified in WAC 246-840-010 to provide clinical education and practice experiences for nursing students.

(2) A nursing education program using a dedicated education unit shall have an affiliation agreement identifying the roles and responsibilities of health care staff, nursing education program faculty, and nursing students.

(3) Nursing education programs using dedicated education units shall use licensed nurses as preceptors as identified in WAC 246-840-533 (4)(a), (b), (c), (d), and (e) for practical and registered nurse programs, or WAC 246-840-533 (5)(a), (b), (c), (d), and (e) for programs leading to advanced registered nurse practitioner licensure.

(4) Nursing education program faculty shall only assign students to a licensed nurse preceptor as identified in subsection (3) of this section, based upon the nurse's knowledge, experience, and willingness to work with students.

(5) Nursing education faculty shall not assign more than two students to each licensed nurse preceptor.

(6) Nursing education faculty with the assistance from the preceptor shall be responsible for the evaluation of student clinical performance.

(7) Nursing education faculty shall be responsible for student learning in the dedicated education unit.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 18.79.010, 18.79.110, 18.79.150, 18.79.190, and 18.79.240. WSR 16-17-082, § 246-840-536, filed 8/17/16, effective 9/17/16.]