

WOC Nursing Practicum Course

In this last part of the program students need to complete a total of 120 (40 hours per specialty content for those doing single or dual scope options) direct patient care clinical hours under the supervision of an approved preceptor. Students have 90 days from the last course to complete this requirement. Communication with the practicum course instructor concerning clinical progress is important to successful completion.

All didactic courses must be successfully completed prior to starting the practicum course. The practicum course must be successfully completed to enter the final exams. On successful completion of selected didactic courses, the practicum course, and the selected final exams, a diploma certificate will be awarded. The diploma certificate is the documentation needed for direct eligibility for the [WOCNCB](#) certification exam application. Those not completing the practicum course may be eligible for the WOCNCB certifications exams via the experiential route.

Course Outcome:

Apply WOC nursing concepts and skills in a clinical setting to prepare for a specialty nursing practice.

In this last course the participant will complete the required clinical hours with an approved preceptor, and complete clinical assignments based on the selected specialty nursing tracks.

1. Daily clinical journal to show progression of clinical critical thinking skills for the WOC patient.
2. Specialty assignment on case study and product use (wound, ostomy, continence specific).
3. Submit an up to date resume in preparation for job interviews.
4. Full scope students only – complete a complex case study analysis that demonstrates ability to function as a full scope WOC nurse
5. Complete the final exams, one for each specialty track. Final exams are completed with the online proctoring service, details provided during the practicum course.

Must comply with and/or maintain the following active documents while in the practicum course:

1. Active nursing license without infractions
2. Active American Heart Association Basic Life Support
3. Professional RN Liability insurance **with coverage limits of not less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence and \$6,000,000 annual aggregate.**
4. Personal health insurance
5. Negative TB test (2-step Mantoux or QuantiFERON TB Gold test) **or** chest X-ray (if prior positive results) **within the past 6 months.**

6. Compliance with COVID-19 Vaccination or Boosters in accordance to the clinical site's policies.
7. Current flu vaccine for those completing clinicals during the flu season (October through March)
8. Any other additional health requirements as required by the clinical site.
9. Up to date regulatory education (HIPAA, Title IX, PPE/infection control, cybersecurity, etc.) as required by clinical site.
10. Follow dress code, security, and attendance policies for the selected clinical site
11. Be accountable & abide by the policies and procedures of the clinical site, including their codes of conduct. When in doubt, follow the organizational policies under the direction of your preceptor.
12. Follow HIPAA rules at the clinical site. Maintain appropriate confidentiality for all matters concerning the clinical site. Students may be able to access patient information for education purposes and will need to comply with HIPAA rules for using protected health information.