

Nursing Placement Information for Nursing Homes - 2024/25

This document is intended for nursing homes interested in hosting Northumbria University nursing students and seeks to provide information about the nursing curriculum, introduced in September 2020, and placement opportunities during the 2024/25 academic year.

A reminder of the differences between our old nursing curriculum (before 2020/21)

The NMC introduced *Future Nurse* as part of a series of changes in 2018; the updated standards also changed how nurses and midwives can be supervised and assessed in practice. More information can be found on the NMC website:

https://www.nmc.org.uk/standards/standards-for-nurses/

For Northumbria University this was an opportunity to completely review the curriculum and to look at different ways to integrate theory and practice. A key change is the move to the concurrent university and practice model.

What is meant by concurrent university and practice?

Under the new curriculum, for the majority of their programme, students spend 3 days in practice and 2 days in university.

When will students attend care homes?

There are several opportunities across the year for you to be able to support our students and these are outlined below. We are currently requesting offers for the placements highlighted in yellow.

Nursing Field	Year	Experience	Hours per week/dates
Adult	Two Developing skills	Older Person's Care: This is a 09 to 13-week assessed experience.	30/09/24 - 22/12/24 (12 wks - 22.5hrs) 27/01/25 - 30/03/25 (09 wks - 22.5hrs) 07/04/25 - 29/06/25 not w/c 21/04, 28/04 or 12/05/25. (09 wk - 22.5hrs)
Adult	Three Developing skills	Older Person's Care: This is a 09 to 12-week assessed experience.	30/09/24 -22/12/24 (12 wks - 22.5hrs) 27/01/25 - 30/03/25 (09 wks - 32hrs)
Adult	Three Leadership and Management	Older Person's Internship: Students will express interest in completing their nursing programme in a care home setting. These students are usually considering older person's care as their first destination career choice.	(final placement in year 3) 19/05/25 – 03/08/25 11 wks - 37.5hrs



Nursing Field	Year	Experience	Hours per week/dates
Mental Health	One Fundamental skills	Fundamental/ Essential Experiences of Care: A 10/11-week assessed placement to develop students' knowledge and experience of basic nursing care	09/12/24 - 22/12/24 - 5 days over 2 weeks - student to return between 27/01/25 - 30/03/25 09 week -22.5hrs 21/04/25 - 20/07/25 (not w/c 12/05/25) - 12 weeks - 22.5hrs

Is placement tariff continuing with Future Nurse curriculum?

Yes, payment will be aligned to the HEE tariff for 2023/24 – more information can be found on the DHSC website.

How will the University work with us?

We would welcome any offers you are able to make and very much appreciate your continued support of our students' training. our Practice Learning Tutors (https://link.practice.learning.tutors@northumbria.ac.uk), will be on hand to support you and your staff.