

**Would you like a new challenge within your clinical environment?**

**The Clinical Liaison Nurse (CLN) role within your areas Dedicated Education Unit (DEU) could be the role for you!!**

Are you:

* A Registered with a passion for clinical teaching and learning
* Working more than 0.6FTE
* Interested in contributing to the future nursing workforce
* Committed to providing the best possible clinical teaching and learning environment for students
* Dedicated to fostering the relationship between Ara, University of Otago and CDHB

* *You will work closely with the Academic Liaison Nurse (ALN) to collaboratively provide the nursing students clinical experience. Your CNM, CNS and NE also provide support to the CLN role*
* *You will be given the tools, training and ongoing support to assist you as a CLN.*
* *You will have flexibility with your roster to work with the students while they complete their clinical placement.*
* *The CLN role is recognised as a respected role across the CDHB and often leads to progression into senior nursing roles.*

Clinical Liaison Nurse Agreement

**Section A: Clinical Liaison Nurse to complete:**

**Congratulations you have been selected to be a Clinical Liaison Nurse (CLN) for your clinical area**. In the CLN role, you are required to facilitate the clinical experience of the following nursing students from Ara and Otago.

* Ara Bachelor of Nursing
* Ara Diploma of Enrolled Nursing
* Ara Competency Assessment Programme
* Ara Masters of Health Science/Bachelor of Nursing Students
* Otago Masters of Nursing Science

It is an expectation that you will remain in the CLN role for a minimum duration of 12 months (i.e. two semesters) and you will complete the online DEU CLN training package as well as attending a yearly DEU update workshop. We also recommend that you complete the clinical learning and teaching package on Healthlearn.

In collaboration with your Academic liaison Nurse (ALN) you will act as a liaison person between students, your DEU staff, ALN and your CNM/CM/NM about the student’s role, their learning needs and progress, utilising the DEU model of clinical teaching and learning.

**You will facilitate and monitor the student’s clinical learning experiences by:**

* Providing orientation for the students on their first day.
* Arranging student rosters in advance, by allocating students to DEU staff member, peers and /or patients/clients.
* Organising additional learning experiences with the ALN, for the student in relation to their patient’/clients’ and in collaboration with the RN supervising the student, i.e. endoscopy clinic, theatre and community agencies etc.
* Work with students on a one-to-one basis as required and seek feedback from DEU staff in relation to student progress

**In addition the CLN will:**

* Have an understanding of the relevant curriculum and what level the students should be practising at.
* Have comprehensive knowledge of the CDHB fluid and medication management policy for students and educate all DEU staff in relation to this.
* Work with the ALN to develop a student action plan where necessary.
* Complete student clinical assessments in partnership with the ALN.
* Encourage DEU staff (including MDT) to participate in student teaching.
* Role model and act as a resource person in relation to the application of the DEU model to colleagues.
* Encourage students to be self-initiating, self-correcting and self-evaluating.
* Be involved in collaborative research and quality activities as appropriate with the students.
* Participate in the evaluation of the overall effectiveness of the DEU practice area with respect to students learning outcomes.
* Demonstrate a commitment to ongoing professional development and education.

If you choose to resign from the CLN role you will be asked to put your resignation in writing.

By signing this agreement, you are demonstrating an understanding of the requirements of the CLN role as listed within this agreement.



**Section B: Charge Nurse Manager/Nurse Manager/Clinical Nurse Manager to complete**

Name ……………………………………………………………….

Has been selected to fulfil the CLN role for your clinical area. By ticking the boxes and signing the declaration below you acknowledge that:

* A DEU focused relationship with yourself needs to be maintained.
* The CLN will be available to the students and be allowed flexibility with their roster.
* The CLN is supported and encouraged to complete PDRP and an education pathway.
* Your CLN will be rostered appropriately according to funding per student placement as follows:
  + *8 hours for preparation for each student placement*
  + *8 hours for student orientation*
  + *1 hour per week for the duration of the placement (manage placement and undertake*

*improvement of DEU resources)*

* + *1.5 hours per student for completion of formative assessment*
  + *1 hour per student for completion of summative assessment*

*For example, if you have 6 BN students, your clinical area will be allocated 39 CLN supernumerary hours. When you choose to access these funds is at your discretion, however, in negotiation with the CLN there will be set days they will need to run an orientation day for the students and complete the formative and summative assessments.*



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