

Placement Models

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One Clinical Educator to One StudentThis describes a more traditional model of student supervision where one student works closely with one Clinical Educator for the length of their student placement.One Clinical Educator supervising multiple Students (2,3 or more) This model of student supervision describes a number of students being supervised by one Clinical Educator.	 Individual support for the student Increased opportunity to support individuals without the need to share clinical experiences The productivity of the team hosting the student may not be affected (although the Clinical Educator may experience increased workload) Enhances opportunities for peer learning Creates a social network for students Enhances clinical competence and independence Promotes an active learning environment Facilitates teamwork 	 Students may be dependent on one Clinical Educator for their learning requirements Little (if any) opportunity for peer and collaborative learning between students occur. Greater time commitment of Clinical Educator (when compared to other models) Students' concerns regarding adequate supervision Model may not be applicable to all clinical areas (e.g. physical restriction on student numbers) Compatibility of students in the group May encourage increased competitiveness between students Increased organisational and administrative workload for
Multiple Educators to One StudentIn this model one student is supervised by multiple Clinical Educators either on the same site or across organisations. The Clinical Educators may come from the same professional background as the studentPeer Learning Students from the same or different professional backgrounds have specific and incidental opportunities to learn with and from each other by explaining their ideas to others and by participating in activities in which they can learn from their peers.	 Diverse interdisciplinary learning opportunities Student exposure to multiple educators and styles of supervision Exposure to more than one clinical area Shared workload for educators Increased opportunities to include more staff Students develop their skills working together as a team and can transfer these skills to other clinical situations Enables students to practice articulating their clinical reasoning Stimulates creativity in clinical reasoning Students may feel more comfortable asking questions of peers than supervisors. 	 supervisor Need for increased collaboration between staff for purposes of assessment and planning Students may find model challenging e.g. understanding how differing professionals can work together to provide holistic supports. May encourage peer competition Need for Clinical Educators to review work to ensure accuracy of information



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