

California Code of Regulations
Title 16. Professional and Vocational Regulations
Division 14. Board of Registered Nursing
Article 3. Prelicensure Nursing Programs

Legend: Originally proposed amendments to the regulatory language are shown in single underline for new text and a ~~single strikethrough~~ for deleted text.

Modifications to the proposed regulatory language are shown with in double underline for added text and ~~double strikethrough~~ for deleted text.

Proposed Text Amending **§ 1427. Clinical Facilities.**

- (a) A nursing program shall not utilize any agency or facility for clinical experience without prior approval by the board. Each program must submit evidence that it has complied with the requirements of subdivisions (b), (c), and (d) of this section and the policies outlined by the board.
- (b) A program that utilizes an agency or facility for clinical experience shall maintain written objectives for student learning in such facilities and shall assign students only to facilities that can provide the experience necessary to meet those objectives.
- (c) Each such program shall maintain written agreements with such facilities and such agreements shall include the following:
 - (1) Assurance of the availability and appropriateness of the learning environment in relation to the program's written objectives;
 - (2) Provision for orientation of faculty and students;
 - (3) A specification of the responsibilities and authority of the facility's staff as related to the program and to the educational experience of the students;
 - (4) Assurance that staff is adequate in number and quality to ensure safe and continuous health care services to patients;
 - (5) Provisions for continuing communication between the facility and the program; and
 - (6) A description of the responsibilities of faculty assigned to the facility utilized by the program.
- (d) In selecting a new clinical agency or facility for student placement, the program shall take into consideration the impact that an additional group of students would have on students of other nursing programs already assigned to the agency or facility.

(e) Each A nursing program shall electronically report to a designee of the Board in writing any changes made to the program's use of clinical facilities within ninety (90) calendar days of making each change. By no later than December 31 of each year, a nursing program shall confirm in response to an inquiry from the Board whether the program has made any such changes in addition to those, if any, already reported by the program to the Board within the calendar year. If necessary, the program shall report any additional changes to the Board that have not been reported for that calendar year. As used in this subdivision section," changes" includes but are not limited to changes to the number of students from the program who have been approved for placement at the clinical facility, changes in the annual clinical placement capacity at the clinical facility, and cancellation or alteration of clinical affiliation agreements.

(f) On or about December 1 of each year, the Board shall provide each nursing program with a report containing all clinical facility data the Board has on file for their program. By December 31 of each year, each nursing program shall electronically confirm that the clinical facility data in the Board's report is accurate as of the date of the report or, if necessary, electronically notify the Board of any required corrections or additional changes.

Note: Authority cited: Sections 2715 and 2786, Business and Professions Code.
Reference: Sections 2786 and 2788, Business and Professions Code.