



FERRIS STATE UNIVERSITY

COLLEGE OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS

Clinical & Internship Placement Requirements

Policy

All students enrolled in a program in the College of Health Professions that includes experiential learning in a health care setting must comply with the requirements set forth by the agency or agencies where they are placed for their clinical and/or internship experiences. These requirements may vary slightly by agency but generally include any combination of the following:

1. Criminal Background Check
2. Immunizations & TB skin test (specified by agency)
3. CPR Certification
4. Evidence of certification to demonstrate special knowledge or skills which may include areas such as HIPAA, Safety, Blood borne pathogens, etc.
5. Other requirements such as health insurance, physical examination, drug screening or fingerprinting.

Each CHP Program will determine the specific requirements based on agency requirements and current best practice that are necessary for a student to be placed in clinical / internship settings and will communicate those requirements to the student prior to the student's placement in any approved setting. Failure of the student to comply with these requirements may jeopardize their placement in the experiential learning setting(s) and may also therefore jeopardize their progress in the CHP program.

Procedure

1. The determination of what requirements will pertain to each program is made by the clinical / internship coordinator, who has the responsibility to review current best practices on an annual basis to assure that students will be eligible for placement in as wide a variety of settings as possible.
2. Each program will determine the most effective method to collect, track, maintain and report evidence of meeting clinical requirements. CHP will contract with an approved outside vendor that offers the most comprehensive services required to support this process and all programs are encouraged to utilize this option to promote consistency and greater assurance that the requirements will be met.

3. If an external vendor is utilized, the clinical coordinator will work with the vendor to set up a program specific contract and process which will be reviewed each year for currency and ease of utility.
4. Each CHP program will provide specific information about clinical requirements to students in the program in a matter that is timely enough for students to accomplish the requirements prior to the start of the first clinical rotation or internship. This may be done at the program orientation session and should also be included in the student handbook.
5. Students will be provided directions as to how to provide the appropriate documentation for the program. Students will be required to sign a release form to allow information to be shared with the clinical agency or agencies.
6. Students are responsible for all costs incurred during the clinical requirements documentation process.

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