School of Nursing and Midwifery Clinical Practice Environment Self‐Assessment Audit Declaration

In Compliance with Standards and Requirements for Post Registration Nursing Midwifery and Education Programmes, (Nursing and Midwifery Board of Ireland 2015), each clinical placement site is required to complete a Clinical Practice Environment Self‐Assessment Audit Declaration before registered nurses, midwives or public health nurses from that clinical site are offered a place on a postgraduate nursing or midwifery programme by the University of Limerick. The purpose of a Clinical Practice Environment Self‐ Assessment Audit for placements supporting nurses and midwives to undertake postgraduate education includes several key objectives:

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| 1. Ensuring compliance with standards, regulations and procedures | 5. Theory‐practice integration |
| 2. Quality assurance | 6. Promoting Accountability |
| 3. Ensuring continued self‐assessment and evaluation | 7. Supporting Accreditation Processes |
| 4. Ensuring optimal student learning |  |

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| **Site Details** | | | | |
| Name of Clinical Site: |  | | | |
| **Relevant Person** | | **Name** | **Signature** | **Email** |
| Director of Nursing/Midwifery/ Public Health Nursing  /relevant Nurse/ Midwife/Public HealthDirector: | |  |  |  |
| **Applicant Details** | | **Name** | | **Applicant NMBI PIN No** |
| Name of Postgraduate Nurse/ Midwife  /Public Health Nurse Applicant: | |  | |  |
| **Application Submission Date** | | | |  |

This self‐assessment audit ensures clinical placements effectively support postgraduate nurse/midwife education and development. This Clinical Practice Environment Self‐ Assessment Audit Declaration Form is to be completed on behalf of the Clinical Site Provider by the Director of Nursing/Midwifery/ Public Health Nursing and submitted with student online application to the University of Limerick.

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|  | **Standard** | **Yes** | **No** | **Evidence/ Comment** |
| Do you have in place clinical practice experience that provides learning opportunities to enable the nurse/midwife/public health nurse to achieve levels of competence in the programme specialism across domains of competence outlined by NMBI (2005, 2010, 2015 2023)? |  |  |  |
| Do you have in place clinical practice experience that provides learning opportunities for the achievement of stated clinical practicum learning outcomes? |  |  |  |
| Do you have a clinical‐based preceptor in place, who meets NMBI criteria for preceptorship to guide and support post‐ registration student on clinical practicum modules? |  |  |  |
| Do you have mechanisms in place to obtain feedback from preceptors about their experience of precepting? |  |  |  |
| Do you have in place written learning outcomes relevant to the clinical site/specialist nursing post‐registration programme? |  |  |  |
| Are all staff in the clinical setting familiar with the learning outcomes? |  |  |  |
| Do you have in place arrangements for monitoring and improving patient safety? |  |  |  |
| Do you have in place evidence‐based practice guidelines for appropriate standards of care and systematic approaches to nursing care? |  |  |  |
| Do you have in place policies that support audits? |  |  |  |
| Do you have in place risk management systems? |  |  |  |
| Do you have in place an adverse event reporting system? |  |  |  |
| Do you have in place policies that support good practice in recording clinical practice? |  |  |  |
| Do you have in place policies to address complaints/concerns? |  |  |  |
| Do you have in place mechanisms to support interdisciplinary team‐working? |  |  |  |
| Do you have in place a structure within which concerns around clinical practice are raised and addressed? |  |  |  |
| Do you have in place mechanisms to involve service users in the development and review of healthcare provision? |  |  |  |
| Do you have in place evidence of clinical and educational audits? |  |  |  |
| Does the clinical placement site facilitate the integration of theory and practice? |  |  |  |
| Do you have sufficient preceptors and clinical managers in place to provide a quality learning environment for students? |  |  |  |

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