Midwifery Student Orientation 2020

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WELCOME

It is with great pleasure that we welcome you to the Northern Adelaide Local Health Network (NALHN), Women and Children’s Division. NALHN services the northern area of South Australia and therefore the NALHN Women and Children's Division is responsible for the health and well-being of a vast population. Situated on Kaurna Land we acknowledge the Kaurna people as custodians of this land and honour the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women past and present who have birthed on this land for over 65000 years.

The maternity unit at NALHN is located within its own wing which facilitates the promotion of health and well-being for women and their families. Just as NALHN staff respect each and every consumer who accesses health services provided to the community, we also respect and value each other’s skills, knowledge, and the diverse views and talents each staff member brings to our organisation.

"Together with our community and staff we will deliver exceptional care through innovative practice. Compassionate Care, Exceptional People."

The NALHN Maternity Unit is a rapidly expanding service with more than 3800 babies born each year. When you are here on clinical placement you will notice that the staff are a welcoming and friendly team with collaboration occurring between allied health, medical and midwifery staff. NALHN also recognises that for staff to provide world class woman centred maternity care we need to ensure that the work environment is safe and well defined. By well defined, NALHN recognises there must exist resources and support structures to enable staff to make informed decisions, critically think and remain woman focused.

NALHN is the only hospital within South Australia and Australia to have the world renowned ‘Mother Carer Program’ for postnatal women. The Lyell McEwin Hospital (LMH) also provides outstanding Home Visiting services, Perinatal Mental Health services, and a Continence Nursing Service for all women who access NALHN maternity services. LMH is accredited as Baby Friendly and has been since 2000. LMH sets a high standard in maternity care and we envisage that your clinical placement will provide you with the opportunity to develop your skills and knowledge in midwifery.

NALHN recognises that you, as midwifery students, are the future of the midwifery workforce and as such are to be highly valued and supported during the time of your clinical placement. You will experience a wide range of options through your placement in both high and low risk midwifery care in the Birthing Assessment Unit High, Birthing Assessment Unit Low, Northern Area Midwifery Group Practice, Women’s Assessment Unit and Antenatal Clinics as well as exceptional antenatal, gynaecological, postnatal and neonatal care experience in the Women’s Health Unit, Home Visiting Midwives, and the level 5 Special Care Nursery.

Beginning a new role in unfamiliar surroundings can bring excitement, challenges and trepidation and we acknowledge that being in unfamiliar surroundings with varying expectations can be overwhelming. To this end NALHN offers support from the Clinical Midwives in each unit as well as the Midwifery and Neonatal Educators, and look forward to working with you and your University Clinical Facilitator to ensure that you have the opportunity to develop your knowledge and clinical skills in the time that you are on clinical placement at NALHN.
INFORMATION FOR MIDWIFERY STUDENTS ATTENDING CLINICAL PLACEMENT

The following information will assist you in preparing for your clinical placement.

**ORIENTATION**

Information will be sent out to each University to advertise the date and time of each orientation. All students who attend midwifery clinical placement and Continuity of Care Experiences (COCE) throughout NALHN are required to attend at least one orientation session.

These sessions will contain valuable information about the hospital and what to expect on your clinical placements. There will also be valuable information for those midwifery students attending for COCE appointments with women who birth at LMH. If you are unable to attend orientation your clinical placement or COCE may be cancelled.

**ID BADGES (ID proximity badge)**

- **Each student is required to use an ID proximity badge to access clinical / non clinical areas.** This badge identifies the individual as a student visitor to the hospital. An access badge is not required for clinical placement at Modbury Hospital Women’s & Paediatric Clinic.

- **The ID badge requires $20 cash deposit**, payable at the cashier’s office on the ground floor near the main stairs. You will then be directed to the car parking office near the main entrance to collect your badge.

- ID proximity badges must be collected on the first day of placement and students are advised not to deface the card in any way.

- On completion of clinical placement please return the ID proximity badge to the cashier’s office and the deposit will be refunded.

- Students are advised that lanyards should be clipped to shirt collars or tucked inside shirts when performing procedures involving direct patient contact.

**LOST OR STOLEN CARD: REPORT IMMEDIATELY** during office hours to Engineering and Building Services ext. 29600, or after hours Security on ext. 29967 AND the Duty Coordinator pager 6007.
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CAR PARKING

Lyell McEwin Hospital has a multi-storey secure car park for visitors and staff, which is available for use by midwifery students whilst on placement and attending for continuity of care experiences.

Midwifery students are eligible for staff rates to access the multi-storey car park while on clinical placement. Standard rates will apply for attendance at COCE appointments. If you are intending to purchase a weekly ticket, you may take a ticket on your way in and then once you have paid you will be given a different ticket to use on exit. Car parking forms are available at orientation sessions.

Students assigned to clinical placement at Modbury Hospital may use the staff car parking facilities at Modbury GP Plus at a cost of $13 per day. Please note that parking at the Tea Tree Plaza shopping centre is not permitted.

Students are encouraged not to park in areas designated for patients and visitors. These areas are regularly patrolled by security and parking fines are enforced.

UNIFORM

Midwifery students are expected to wear their student identification badge and student uniform to all clinical placement experiences at NALHN including COCE.

CLINICAL SUPPORT

You will be allocated to work with a midwife on a shift by shift basis depending on the area of your placement. The midwife you are working with will provide feedback on your daily feedback sheets and is able to assist you in your learning by discussing all aspects of midwifery care relevant to your placement and learning goals.

SHIFT TIMES

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Please be on time for each shift so that you are present for clinical handover. If this is not possible you will need to negotiate with the Nursing Midwifery Unit Manager (NMUM) of the area you are working in and your university clinical facilitator. If you are not able to attend a shift you will need to advise the clinical unit you are allocated to and your university clinical facilitator. These times may vary in Northern Area Midwifery Group Practice where the midwife you are working with will negotiate the best time to commence placement.
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ROSTERS

The University will communicate the roster with each midwifery student prior to commencement of each placement.

For clinical placement in WAU or NAMGP the roster is provided by the unit. You will need to contact the NMUM of NAMGP or WAU to negotiate the roster at least one week prior to your placement (see contact details on page 12).

Any roster changes must be negotiated two working days prior with your university clinical facilitator or the NALHN Midwife Educator. The NMUM, Midwife Educator and your university Clinical Facilitator must be notified of all roster changes.

Extra shifts or make up shifts need to be coordinated either via the university clinical placement unit or the midwife educator. Email Jenny Gardner on jennifer.gardner@sa.gov.au for any changes to the existing roster, including straight shift swaps. If you are running late for a shift please notify the clinical area of your estimated time of arrival.

- If you cannot attend placement due to sickness you are to advise your university clinical facilitator and the clinical area of your absence.
- If you cannot complete a shift due to sickness you are to advise your university clinical facilitator and the clinical area of your absence.

Please note that there may be up to seven students in each area at one time so it may not be possible to accommodate roster changes.

Continuity of Care Experience (COCE) at NALHN

The W&C division values continuity of care in midwifery and partner with your university to facilitate the COCE for midwifery students. If you are seeking to recruit women please contact the midwives prior to attending. You can call the midwives at Lyell McEwin Family Clinic on 82821613 or Modbury Women’s & Paediatric Clinic on 81612289.

If you are attending home visits for COCE with NAMGP or Home Visiting Midwives please contact the service directly to establish that you will be attending.

- Home Visiting Midwifery Service 8182 9252
- NAMGP 8182 9000 and page NAMGP

You will need to attend in uniform and should not enter the home unless you are accompanied by a midwife. Please wait for the midwife to arrive if you are meeting at the woman’s home.

If attending an elective caesarean with the woman you will need to arrive on the day of surgery at 0730, if the caesarean occurs as an ‘emergency’ and it is out of usual hours you should attend the BAUH and a midwife will escort you to the operating theatre.
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MEDICATION MANAGEMENT

The NALHN “Nursing and Midwifery Medication Management and Administration” Procedure (NALHN 2019) outlines the role of nurse/midwife, nursing/midwifery student and assistant in nursing/midwifery in medication management and states that:

4.0 All Nursing / Midwifery Students (undergraduate, postgraduate, pre-enrolled diploma, re-entry Registered Nurse/Registered Midwife) undertaking a placement within NALHN

All Nursing / Midwifery students undertaking a placement within NALHN:

- Play NO role in handling, checking, preparing, administering and disposing of controlled substances, Drugs of Dependence (S8) or restricted schedule 4 medications (S4R)
- Must have completed relevant medication management education within the course the nursing / midwifery student or re-entry nurse / midwife is enrolled,
- May NOT prepare, check or administer ANY medication without direct and continuous RN / RM supervision,
- Are permitted to prepare and administer medication that is usually undertaken by one RN, RM, ENAD, END or ENC provided they are under direct and continuous supervision of one RN / RM,
- Are permitted to be the third person preparing, witnessing and administering an injectable medication which requires a 2nd RN, RM, EN (without a notation) witness / check via intramuscular or subcutaneous bolus routes.
  - In addition to the above points, undergraduate & postgraduate nursing and midwifery students, re-entry Registered Nurses / Registered Midwives & pre-enrolled END & ENAD students (undertaking IV modules) are permitted to be the third person preparing, witnessing and administering an injectable intravenous bolus / intermittent and continuous medication which requires a 2nd RN, RM, EN (without a notation),
  - Pre-enrolled END students & re-entry enrolled nurses (not undertaking IV modules) are not permitted to be the third person preparing, witnessing and administering an injectable intravenous bolus medication which requires a 2nd RN, RM, EN (without a notation).

The supervising RN / RM retains accountability for the all nursing / midwifery students with regard to medication management.
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HAND HYGIENE

Hand Hygiene is ‘everybody’s business’ and is the single most effective and basic infection control strategy to prevent cross-transmission of infection. The most common way that harmful organisms are transmitted between patients in healthcare settings is on the hands of both clinical and non-clinical staff that have direct contact with patients or the patient environment (NALHN 2018).

It is expected that all students on clinical placement in NALHN will adhere to the five moments of hand hygiene.

For further information refer to Hand Hygiene Australia (HHA) 5 Moments for Hand Hygiene. [www.hha.org.au](http://www.hha.org.au)
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LIBRARY FACILITIES

Whilst on clinical placement at LMH, the Library supports your information needs by providing access to a wide range of books, journals, audio-visual and electronic resources. The Library staff are available to assist you in locating specific resources you may require. The Library is open from 0900 to 1700, Monday – Friday, and is accessible with an LMH student access badge. Students are welcome to use this facility whilst on placement at LMH.

CONTINUING EDUCATION ACTIVITIES

NALHN offers extensive in-service and a hospital wide education program. The Women and Children’s (W&C) Division additionally has a designated professional development calendar for midwifery education. The calendar is displayed throughout the W&C Division and midwifery students are welcome to attend. Please note that the monthly staff forum is not available to students.

Contact the Nursing, Midwifery Education, Research & Practice Development Department ext. 20783, or the Educators, if you have any queries regarding attendance.

INTRANET

Information can also be found on the Central and Northern Adelaide Local Health Network intranet site found under Inside Northern. Follow the links to the education page and also access policies, procedures and guidelines via the policy and procedure portal (PPG).

The W&C Division follows the State Perinatal Practice Guidelines which can be accessed at the desktop on the computers located in the nurse’s station of individual units.

ANTENATAL EDUCATION CLASSES

You are welcome to attend antenatal classes which are held in the evenings in the parent education room. To book contact the antenatal parent educators on 0477 341 396 or 8182 9431
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BABY FRIENDLY HEALTH INITIATIVE

The Lyell McEwin Hospital is proud to be Baby Friendly accredited and as such is committed to promoting, supporting and protecting breastfeeding. We offer all women education on breastfeeding antenatally, and the breastfeeding policy is available in all clinical areas. As a midwifery student you will be expected to be familiar with the ‘Ten Steps to Successful Breastfeeding’ and to support women in their choice of infant feeding. The Breastfeeding Policy and Ten Steps to Successful Breastfeeding can be found on the intranet page listed above. It is recommended that you read these guidelines and become familiar with baby friendly practices during your placement.

CONFIDENTIALITY

It is expected that all students on placement will maintain privacy and confidentiality at all times. This includes not divulging patient’s personal information on social networking sites and only accessing patient information for direct patient care. This includes information regarding health professionals also. No information is to be provided to the media and midwifery students are not permitted to take photos of women and their babies. All midwifery students are expected to be aware of and act in accordance with the Code of Conduct for Midwives in Australia (March 2018), Midwife Standards for Practice (Oct 2018) and the International Confederation of Midwives Code of Ethics for Midwives (March 2018).

CLINICAL PLACEMENT EVALUATION

Prior to completion of the clinical placement all midwifery students are asked to provide LMH with a completed placement evaluation. The placement evaluation is designed in accordance with ‘Best Practice’ guidelines for clinical education, and provides us with an indication of the ‘quality of placement.’

Please fill out the evaluation form at the end of this booklet, detach and return the completed evaluation via internal mail to the Nursing, Midwifery Education, Research & Practice Development Department. DX 465 649 or complete electronically at:

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Z7DS82H

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CONTACT DETAILS

Nursing, Midwifery Education, Research & Practice Development Department

Jenny Gardner: Midwife Educator: Women & Children’s Division
Phone: 8282 1202
Pager: # 47109
Email: jennifer.gardner@sa.gov.au

Leanne Mills/Liz Schloithe: Neonatal Nurse Educators
Phone: 8282 0788
Pager # 6053

Tina Cockburn: AIN Coordinator / Student Support
Phone: 8282 0269
Pager: # 47176

Heidi Davis: Acting Administrative Assistant
Phone: 8282 0783
Fax: 8282 0786
DX: 465 649

Shelagh Latham: Acting Nursing Director
Nursing Midwifery Education, Research & Practice Development Department
Extension: 20783
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CONTACT DETAILS (continued)

Women & Children’s Division:

**Birthing Assessment Unit High (BAUH):**
NMUM: Lyn Bastian 8182 9207  
Ward clerk: 8182 9111  
Email: lyn.bastian@sa.gov.au

**Birthing Assessment Unit Low (BAUL):**
NMUM: Linda Campbell 8182 0753  
Ward clerk: 8182 9111  
Email: linda.campbell@sa.gov.au

**Family Clinic:**
NMUM: Wendy Hermel 8282 1601  
Midwives station: 82821613  
Email: wendy.hermel@sa.gov.au

**Home Visiting Midwives:**
NMUM: Bronwen Klaer 81829001  
Office: 8182 9252  
Email: bronwen.klaer@sa.gov.au

**Modbury Antenatal Clinic:**
NMUM: Nola Dewhurst 81612289  
Reception: 81612154  
Email: nola.dewhurst@sa.gov.au

**Northern Area Midwifery Group Practice:**
NMUM Jo Clarke: 82820355  
GP Room: 8133 2221  
Email: jolene.clarke@sa.gov.au

To page NAMGP call **818 2900** and ask for NAMGP midwife  
For clinical placement enquiries contact Kelly Morgan: kelly.morgan@sa.gov.au  
For COCE enquiries contact Sue Macfarlan: SUSAN.MACFARLAN@sa.gov.au

- Contact at least one week prior to placement for roster

**Special Care Nursery:**
NMUM Monica Ryan: 81829039  
Ward clerk: 81829101  
Email: monica.ryan@sa.gov.au

**Women’s Assessment Unit:**
NMUM Michelle Marsh: 82821295  
Ward clerk: 8282 1303  
Email: michelle.marsh@sa.gov.au

- Contact at least one week prior to placement for roster

**Women’s Health Unit:**
NMUM: Colleen Panario 8182 9192  
Ward clerk: 8182 9380  
Email: colleen.panario@sa.gov.au

Divisional Director, Nursing and Midwifery Director:  
**Meredith Hobbs**

Acting Management Facilitator:  
**Amy Rigano**

Please contact the Midwife Educator if you require any further information.  
We hope you have a positive and rewarding placement experience.
REFERENCES


Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia 2018, *Midwife Standards for Practice*, AHPRA 2019, viewed 7 Nov 2019

Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia 2018, *Code of Conduct for Midwives*, AHPRA 2018, viewed 7 Nov 2019
CLINICAL PLACEMENT EVALUATION

NALHN 2020

MIDWIFERY STUDENTS

Please return completed survey in an internal envelope to:
Midwifery Education   DX 465649

Or complete this survey electronically at:
https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Z7DS82H
2020 NALHN Midwifery Student Clinical Placement Evaluation

We aim to provide a positive learning environment for midwifery students at NALHN. Your feedback enables us to improve and evaluate our practice. Thank you for taking the time to complete this survey.

* 1. Please provide current year level.
   - 1st year undergraduate midwifery student
   - 2nd year undergraduate midwifery student
   - 3rd year undergraduate midwifery student
   - Postgraduate/RN entry midwifery student
   - Other (please specify)

* 2. Education provider
   - University of South Australia
   - Flinders University
   - Charles Sturt University
   - Charles Darwin University
   - Other (please specify)

* 3. Placement allocation and dates
   - Ward area
   - Dates of placement

4. Using the scale provided, please indicate your opinion of the quality of the overall learning experience of this clinical placement (i.e. were you able to meet your learning objectives?)
   - Excellent
   - Very good
   - Good
   - Satisfactory
   - Poor

Comments
5. My induction to the ward/unit was comprehensive?
   - Strongly agree  
   - Agree  
   - Neutral  
   - Disagree  
   - Strongly disagree  

Comments:

6. I had access, at ward/unit level to relevant, up to date information and resources to facilitate learning?
   - Strongly agree  
   - Agree  
   - Neutral  
   - Disagree  
   - Strongly disagree  

Comments:

7. I had adequate supervision and guidance during this clinical placement?
   - Strongly agree  
   - Agree  
   - Neutral  
   - Disagree  
   - Strongly disagree  

Comments:

8. Guidance and feedback offered by the midwives was constructive and forthcoming?
   - Strongly agree  
   - Agree  
   - Neutral  
   - Disagree  
   - Strongly disagree  

Comments:

9. The midwives were approachable for clarification and feedback?
   - Strongly agree  
   - Agree  
   - Neutral  
   - Disagree  
   - Strongly disagree  

Comments:
10. Would you please comment on the factors that had a positive effect on your learning experience for this ward/unit?

11. Would you please comment on the factors that you feel may have inhibited your learning experience for this ward/unit?

12. Is there anything in your view could be changed or done differently to further develop the clinical learning environment in this ward/unit?

13. How likely is it that you would recommend this clinical placement provider to a friend or colleague?

Not at all likely  0  1  2  3  4  5  6  7  8  9  10  Extremely likely

14. Other comments: