**Qualification Ref #: CHS104 – Master of Nursing in Maternal and Child Health**

**CHE Query/Response:**

According to the table with hours for learning activities the WIL (workplace based learning) is 59.06. The institution needs to provide information on how the WIL component will be conducted, monitored and assessed etc.

**Discipline of Nursing Response:**

The WIL component will be conducted, monitored and assessed in the following manner:

**The duration of the work placement**

The student will have to complete a total of 1134 hours of clinical work (consisting of 440 clinical work hours for Foundations of neonatology and Neonatal Nursing care and 690 clinical work hours for maternal and leadership skills.

**The expected learning outcomes of the work placement**

By the end of work placement clinical learning experience the student is expected to be able to:

* Perform advanced in-depth comprehensive, holistic and individualized assessment, screening, identification of high risk factors and streaming of the ‘high risk’ client, according to the best practice, evidence-based maternal and neonatal policy, guidelines, protocols and conceptual model adopted by the maternal, child and women’s health discipline.
* Formulate main and differential diagnosis
* Prioritize the high risk client’s problems according to severity as determined by the multiplicity of the high risk factors and problems of the ‘high risk.
* Formulate advanced specific, individualized and holistic plan and/or principles of care according to the diagnosis.
* Implement advanced comprehensive plan of care of the ‘high risk’ client in relation to clinical, educational, psychosocial, ethical and legal issues.
* Function with advanced technology competently in terms of assessing, planning, managing and evaluating care provided to the ‘high risk’ client in the family, community and hospital settings.
* Maintain the dignity , privacy and respect of the ‘high risk’ client and family in the face of high technology, research, medicine, essential steps in the management of obstetric and neonatal emergencies (ESMOE) like Abruptio placentae, Breech deliveries, eclampsia, Postpartum haemorrhage and shock, maternal and neonatal resuscitation.
* Function with advanced knowledge, compassionate and practical competencies within maternal, neonatal, child and women’s health expectations based on independent review, critique and synthesis of research
* Manage a unit in maternity department successfully including interprofessional, legal and ethical issues involved in such units.
* Function as leaders, consultants, mentors, change agents, advanced midwife specialists in providing evidence-based teaching and learning, care or practice, policy-making in maternal, neonatal, child and women’s health fields

**The assessment methods of the work placement**

Clinical workbook: The learners are expected to complete a clinical work book which details specific clinical procedures they have to gain competency in which is aligned to the learning outcomes and regulated by the South African Nursing Council

Patient case presentation – individual clinical examination will be conducted in the critical care and trauma nursing clinical areas

**The monitoring procedure**

The facilitators are responsible for conducting clinical supervision of each learner in the clinical area 2 to 3 hours per learner per month (in keeping with South African Nursing Council -SANC regulations). Records are kept of the clinical supervision visits.

Clinical liaison people are available in each clinical placement to monitor the students.

* Clinical log record book: Students are required to keep records of all clinical practical hours conducted which are signed by the student and a senior clinical staff member. These are then given to the facilitator as proof of completing the required hours and these are filed (in keeping with SANC regulations).
* In addition the university clinical lecturer will facilitate clinical learning within the maternity and neonatal nursery units to assist, guide, and facilitate students’ academic and competency development.

**Staff who have responsibility for placing students in the work place?**

Ms Z Zondi, has a Masters degree in Maternal and Child Health and completing a PhD in Nursing within the area of maternal health and HIV/AIDS. She has more than 20 years experience in Advanced Midwifery and Neonatal Nursing. She is involved in postgraduate research supervision of students within the Maternal and Child Health area. She has successfully supervised masters students to completion. She has published within this area and HIV area. She serves as external examiner for various Maternal and Child Health Programmes at several universities. She is actively involved in the Midwifery professional societies in South Africa.

Ms C Williams is the clinical lecturer for the maternal and child health programme. She has more than 15 years clinical experience within maternal and child health and is currently completing a Masters in Nursing in this field.