

Conventional: Usual resources, processes, or care

Crisis: Disaster disrupts usual processes and the demand outweighs capacity

Understanding Clinical Experience During Crisis

Aspects to Consider	Part of the Academic Program (enrolled in a course, work study, or independent study)		Clinical Experience Not Arranged by the Academic Program: New COVID-19 Model	
Common names	Clinical Rotation	Externship, Work Study	Volunteer	HealthCorps
How to Sign up	Dependent on each academic institution's processes	Enroll in a nursing externship program	Various mechanisms and agencies (e.g., Red Cross, California Volunteers)	HealthCorps.ca.gov
Mechanisms for academic credit	Part of the usual clinical rotation	Academic credit given by nursing program if performing above the level of a nursing assistant	Credit for prior learning, prior work or volunteer experiences, or by exam	Credit for prior learning, prior work or volunteer experiences, or by exam
Who will supervise	Academic faculty & supervising clinicians in the setting	Supervising clinician or unit	Supervising clinician in agency or organization	Supervising clinician in agency or organization
Liability	Covered by academic institution	Covered by academic institution	Covered by the state via emergency laws	Covered by the state via emergency laws
Health Insurance	Covered by academic institution (including out-of-network providers) or own health insurance	Covered by academic institution (including out-of-network providers) or own health insurance	May be eligible for Worker's Compensation https://www.labor.ca.gov/coronavirus2019/#chart	Own health insurance or May be eligible for Worker's Compensation https://www.labor.ca.gov/coronavirus2019/#chart
Number of hours min/max	Dependent on each academic institution's policy	TBD by Practice & Academic Partner	Depending on the academic institution's policy	Depending on the academic institution's policy
Regulation/Statute	16 CCR §1426 & §1426.1	Business & Professions Code §2729(a)	Business & Professions Code §2786.6 and 16 and CCR §1430	Business & Professions Code §2786.6 and 16 and CCR §1430

Department of Consumer Affairs Waiver

https://www.dca.ca.gov/licensees/clinical_hours.pdf; https://www.dca.ca.gov/licensees/clinical_hours_guidance.pdf

Additional Information

<https://www.rn.ca.gov/pdfs/regulations/npr-b-15.pdf>

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