

**Title: Dedicated Education Units**  
**Type: Hospital/school partnership**

**Location:**  
Portland, Oregon

**Organizations Involved:**  
University of Portland School of Nursing  
Oregon State Board of Nursing

**Funding Source:**  
Area hospitals and the University of Portland

**Description:**  
Three leading area hospitals have established Dedicated Education Units where staff nurses work as clinical instructors by mentoring two University of Portland nursing students at a time for six weeks. The State Board of Nursing allows the university to appoint staff nurses with bachelor's degrees in nursing and at least two years of clinical experience as clinical instructors. They are then supervised by a clinical faculty coordinator.

**Outcome:**  
Not available

**Modifications to Model:**  
None

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