

## Different types of learning environments

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Nursing and nursing associate students should be given the opportunity to learn and provide care across a range of different learning environments that will enable them to meet their learning outcomes and experience the variety of care situations for a diverse population. We do not specify what constitutes a learning environment. These environments should include a mix of hospital and community, and other independent health and social care environments as relevant to the programme.

Environments can also include settings' such as schools, prison wards, or working with the armed forces.

It will be up to the AEI, with practice learning partners, to decide which practice placement environments to use, and to be able to evidence that they meet our standards and that student and public safety is upheld.

Midwifery students should be given the learning opportunities to experience midwifery care for a diverse population and provide care across the continuum in a range of different learning environments that will enable them to meet their learning outcomes. We do not specify what constitutes a learning environment.

These environments should be from across a range of hospital and community settings, including midwifery-led services as required to meet the pre-registration midwifery programme standards.

Practice learning can also include other environments where women require care by midwives such as mother and baby units in mental health or prison settings.

It will be up to the AEI, with practice learning partners, to decide which practice learning environment to use, provided our standards are met and public safety is upheld.