### 3rd Year Undergraduate Nurse Scope of Practice

#### 1ST SEMESTER
- **Skills Learnt in Clinical Skills Labs**
  - 160 hours of clinical placement across
  - 4 weeks
  - (due to OH&S, total hours per fortnight not to exceed 80)

#### 2ND SEMESTER
- **Skills that can be performed on clinical placement with Supervision**
  - 192 hours of clinical placement across
  - 5 weeks
  - (due to OH&S, total hours per fortnight not to exceed 80)

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#### Skills that can be performed on clinical placement with Supervision

- Comprehensive client assessment
- Assisting with emergency intubation, bagging with an ETT
- Tracheostomy suctioning and dressing changes
- Pneumothorax assessment and management including assisting with insertion of ICC and care of UWSD
- Central venous access device care and management
- Epidural infusion management
- Fluid resuscitation including blood transfusion
- Catheterisation
- Assessment and management of a client with acute renal failure
- Assessment and management of an unconscious client (e.g. with head injury)
- Assessment and management of a patient with spinal injuries
- Aseptic technique with an invasive procedure
- Crisis intervention for clients with a mental illness
- Identification of the deteriorating patient
- Accessing and interpretation of pathology results
- Principles of assessment and management of burns

#### Final semester students can perform all of the skills learnt throughout the course focussing on:

- Integrating theory and practise to provide optimal client centred care.
- Delivering safe and effective nursing care.
- Evaluating the effectiveness of nursing care provided.
- Prioritising nursing care and developing time management skills.
- Becoming an effective team member.
- Communicating effectively with clients and colleagues.

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➤ On clinical placement students can perform skills learnt in their current semester and prior semesters, under the supervision of their mentor.

➤ If there are any queries or problems you can contact the **Student's Course Coordinator or Academic Mentor or the Director of Clinical Education on the relevant campus**

➤ Remember the RN is responsible for the client at all times as well as the activity in which the student engages.

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