

The Nursing Council of Hong Kong

CIRCULAR MEMORANDUM

To: All hospitals, nurse associations,
Social Welfare Department and
Department of Health

From: The Nursing Council of
Hong Kong

**Provision of Clinical Placements to Students
Enrolled in Non-accredited Nursing Courses**

It has recently come to the Nursing Council's attention that there are nursing courses which have not been accredited by the Nursing Council and run by organisations which have not been gazetted by the Council as a training school for nurses under regulation 9 of the Nurses (Registration and Disciplinary Procedure) Regulations Cap. 164A.

2. Hospitals or institutions are requested to take note of, while it is a matter entirely within their own discretion as to whether or not to offer or provide clinical placements to nursing students and if so to whom, the following when considering the offer of clinical placements to students from non-accredited courses run by organisations which are not gazetted training schools:

- (a) The students may not be registered or enrolled as nurses; and
- (b) Priority should be given to students from accredited courses run by gazetted training schools.

3. Hospital or institutions providing clinical placements to student nurses are requested to take note of the above accordingly. List of gazetted training schools and accredited nursing programs can be found on the website of the Nursing Council of Hong Kong.

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