



Assessors' experiences of grading nursing student performances in clinical assessments when that performance is not a clear pass or fail.

ONLINE SURVEY INFORMATION SHEET

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Who is conducting the research

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Why is the research being conducted?

The research team are looking at assessors' experiences of grading nursing student performances when that performance is not a clear pass or fail in assessments in clinical courses from an Australian perspective. The research is being conducted as part of a PhD research study conducted inform the School of Nursing and Midwifery at Griffith University.

What you will be asked to do

The research team are looking for participants to complete an online survey exploring assessors' experiences of grading nursing students' performances in clinical assessments in the Australian context. The survey will take approximately 15minutes to complete.

The basis by which participants will be selected or screened

To be eligible to participate in the survey you must have had experience of assessing student nurses in either a clinical course as part of their Bachelor of Nursing program or in the clinical environment as part of their clinical practice.

The expected benefits of the research

There is no direct benefit for the participant. The expected benefits of the research include an understanding of the experience of assessor's when they grade nursing students' performances when that performance is not a clear pass or fail in clinical course in the Australian context. This understanding will potentially enable early

identification of strategies to better support students and assessors in this challenging time.

Risks to you

It is anticipated that there will be no risk in participating in this research.

Your confidentiality

All information collected will be retained in a password protected electronic file at Griffith University for a period of five years before being destroyed.

Your participation is voluntary

Participation in this research is voluntary and participants are free to withdraw at any time during the study.

Mechanism for distribution and return

The on-line survey will be a link sent via an email to members of Australian Nurse Teachers Society. Snowballing to colleagues will enable a broader population to be included in the study. As the evaluation will be completed via an on-line process, data retrieved will not be identifiable by the research team.

Questions / further information

If you have any questions or queries regarding the study, or are happy to participate, please contact the student researcher, Ms Lynda Hughes, at lynda.hughes@griffithuni.edu.au or +61 (0)4 18485193

The ethical conduct of this research

Griffith University conducts research in accordance with the *National Statement on Ethical Conduct in Human Research* (2007). If potential participants have any concerns or complaints about the ethical conduct of the research project they should contact the Manager, Research Ethics on 3735 4375 or research-ethics@griffith.edu.au.

Feedback to you

If you would like to receive a summary of the results, please indicate this on the survey and provide an email address. We will use that email to forward a plain language summary of results.

Expressing consent – anonymous or de-identified information

Please print this sheet and retain it for your later reference. By completing the survey, you have consented to participate in the research.