



SUPPORTING STUDENTS ON PLACEMENT



1 QUALITY FEEDBACK

Ask your student what they are struggling with and what they are confident with. Give constructive feedback whilst also using positive reinforcement.



2 LEARNING OUTCOMES

Reinforce the learning outcomes with the student from early in the placement, Go through the competency document and pick out a few items the student could aim to achieve within the placement to ensure competencies are met.

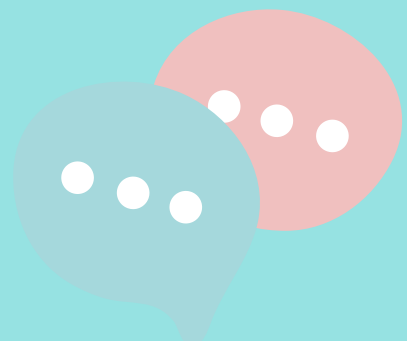


3 CREATE OPPORTUNITIES

Create opportunities to challenge your student, such as asking for their opinions in meetings and leading service user interactions where appropriate in order to facilitate learning.

4 ANSWERING QUESTIONS

"My supervisor made sure I was comfortable with what I was doing,..very helpful and willing to answer my questions". Support students by being patient, sharing your experience and taking the time to answer their questions.



5 DISCLOSURE

Provide all students with opportunities to disclose disabilities and medical conditions which may affect their placement or learning. Students may be reluctant to disclose a disability due to fears of discrimination. It's important to promote an open and honest environment.

6 ENCOURAGEMENT

Research suggests that encouraging the application of enquiry-based learning and problem-solving in situations, as well as giving factual information to students ensures the best learning outcomes.



7 VALUED

Students report wanting to feel listened to and valued while on placement. Consider seeking evaluative feedback from students at the end of their practice placement experience.



8 SHADOWING

Where possible try to build into the placement the opportunity to experience the skills and knowledge of other practitioners within the multi disciplinary team.