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I feel university nurses do not have enough hands on experience throughout their training. At present, each student spends approximately 11 weeks on practical placements throughout the 3 years they at university & would benefit from completing more clinical, hospital based training.

Another way to increase a student's clinical practice would be for all nurses to be employed by a hospital & complete blocks of training at university.

Thanks

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