

2008 SUMMER STUDENT NURSE EXTERNSHIP PROGRAM PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT

The Externship program is a joint effort between the Mississippi Council of Deans and Directors of Schools of Nursing and the Mississippi Hospital Association Organization of Nurse Executives. The goals of the externship programs are to:

1. Provide students in nursing with an opportunity to enhance previously learned skills under the supervision of experienced registered nurses in the healthcare setting;
2. Assist students of nursing to experience acceptance in a work situation appropriate to their potential as future registered nurses;
3. Prepare students to assume responsibilities of full-time employees with respect to performance requirements, policies, and procedures of a health-care agency; and
4. Encourage retention of nursing graduates through provision of supplemental practice experience within the workplace.

As a participant in the student nurse externship program, I acknowledge that I:

- **Am enrolled in an approved program preparing candidates for registered nursing licensure and have successfully completed one academic year of clinical courses in nursing or two clinical semesters of clinical courses in nursing;**
- **Am in good standing in the school of nursing;**
- **Have read and agree to abide by the Mississippi Student Nurse Externship Guidelines;**
- **Agree to perform only the clinical procedures and activities on the Skills Check List; and**
- **Authorize my school of nursing and the agency in which I will be an extern to exchange information related to my student record; externship application; pre-employment screening, including but not limited to drug screening; performance as an extern; and any other information relevant to me as a student nurse extern.**

Date: _____

Student Nurse Extern: _____

Witness: _____