

## **Nursing Skills & Simulation Lab Policies and Procedures for Students**

When in the Nursing Laboratory, students are expected to conduct themselves in a professional manner. Specific rules are in place to ensure student safety as well as the preservation of Nursing Laboratory resources.

### **Laboratory Rules:**

1. DRESS CODE - students are expected to comply with the dress code provided in the student handbook.
2. Conference tables and chairs are provided; students are not allowed to sit on patient's bed at all times.
3. Students should bring their lab kits every time they come for class. For additional supplies, please ask Lab coordinator.
4. Strictly no eating or drinking in the Lab.
5. Proper hand hygiene is an important part of nursing practice. Proper hand washing techniques and 5 moments for hand hygiene signages are strategically placed within the lab for easy reference.
6. Products and supplies in the Nursing lab are intended for teaching purposes only and are not safe for human use.
7. Mannequins should be treated like "real" patients. Ask Lab coordinator for any questions regarding mannequin use.
8. There are instances where mannequins are attached with IV bags of simulated blood. Please be aware of these when moving mannequins into other positions so as not to stain the bed sheets.
9. Students are expected to care for Lab equipment since they have been selected to increase student learning.
10. Students should not use ink pens and markers at the patient bedsides. These items can permanently stain the mannequins.
11. Povidone Iodine (betadine) can also permanently stain the mannequins, take precautions in using them or better yet please simulate using these items.
12. CLEAN AS YOU GO. Students are expected to leave the Nursing lab in good condition. Please return all supplies to the Lab coordinator or to the exact same area where you found them.
13. All students should follow Universal precautions against infectious disease while participating in clinical activities in the Lab.
14. Properly dispose of all sharps in an appropriately labeled sharps container.
15. Under no circumstances may sharps be removed from the Nursing Lab.
16. Sharps are to be placed in sharps boxes after use. For safety reasons, re-capping of needles should not be allowed. Please dispose of these items in sharp containers.
17. Students who wish to practice their skills, should schedule a practice time coursed through their instructors. An appointment is required.
18. Practice times need to be scheduled by the morning of the day of appointment to ensure Lab coordinator will be available.
19. Students may request the use of Nursing Lab equipment for presentation or teaching activities outside of the Nursing Lab. through their instructors.
20. Students are expected to maintain a respectful learning Lab environment at all times.