

**GOOD SAMARITAN COLLEGE OF NURSING AND HEALTH SCIENCE
CINCINNATI, OHIO**

POLICY TITLE: CLINICAL DRESS CODE: POST-LICENSURE BSN PROGRAM

Attire and appearance must project a professional image. This dress code is consistent with the dress codes of affiliating institutions of the Good Samaritan College of Nursing and Health Science. Compliance with the dress code is mandatory.

Students need to dress according to guidelines issued by each course for specified clinical areas. The designated clinical uniform is required for students unless unit guidelines specify otherwise; i.e., areas that wear scrubs.

The uniform consists of:

- Professional attire
- A white lab coat with the official college logo.

Unprofessional dress includes, but is not limited to, jeans, shorts, sweatsuits, sweatpants, leggings, extremely short skirts, tee shirts, tank or any low cut tops. When movement occurs, bare skin should not be visible between pants and top garment.

1. Clothing should be well-fitting and sized to promote a professional appearance.
2. I.D. Badges should be worn at all times with name, picture and TriHealth logo visible
3. Plain (non-patterned) neutral colored underclothing is to be worn under any white clothing. Underclothing must not be visible through outer clothing.
4. Shoes for clinical must be clean and in good repair. Shoes with holes or open back are not permitted due to safety concerns. No dress pumps or flip-flops are permitted.
5. Hair must be out of eyes and off of shoulders. Hair longer than shoulder length must be secured in a professional manner and must not make contact with patient or equipment. Large hair ornaments are not permitted.
6. A watch with second hand, stethoscope, pen with black ink and pencil are tools of the complete uniform.
7. Jewelry is limited while in uniform. One ring per hand may be worn. However, remember that a stone setting can scratch a patient, collects dirt and germs and may become lost or damaged.

Small earrings (no more than 2 per ear) are permissible; no dangling jewelry may be worn. The student assumes full responsibility for loss or damage to jewelry such as rings, etc.. Rings, hoops, studs or other jewelry worn in a non-traditional manner (other than ears) are not acceptable.

8. Body piercing should be limited to ears or not be visible to the public. The use of a "Band-Aid" will not be acceptable over body piercing.
9. Tattoos are not appropriate for the healthcare and professional work environment and should be appropriately concealed by clothing.
10. Use of cosmetics and fragrances should be conservative at all times when in the student uniform.
11. Nails should be clean, short and neatly manicured, no longer than ¼ inch past tip of finger. No artificial nails are to be worn. Colorless or natural nail polish may be worn in all areas except the surgical and maternity units. Nail piercing is prohibited.
12. Beards and mustaches must be kept clean and neatly trimmed. In patient care areas, beards will also be of appropriate length to promote safety for self and patients.
13. Chewing gum while on duty is prohibited.
14. Wearing of unauthorized buttons or insignia with the student uniform is not permitted.
15. Religious and/or cultural garments, such as scarves, turbans, and jewelry may only be worn if such items do not interfere with patient care, patient/student safety, and infection control principles.

If any student's appearance does not conform to the dress code, she or he will be asked to leave the clinical area.

Any question of appearance that jeopardizes patient or student safety will be interpreted on an individual basis as not conforming to the dress code.

Approved By: Morris Cohen

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