# Student Clinical Dress Code

Faculty of Bryan college of Health Sciences believe that it is necessary to address the issue of a dress code for the following reason: (1) client safety, (2) need for asepsis, and (3) projection of a professional image. It is believed by the Faculty that a professional image is important to convey knowledge, skill and authority of the nurse. Students will need to follow dress code of host agency. Clarification will be provided by course faculty.

In consideration of the above, the Faculty has established the following criteria:

### **Clinical Experience Requiring Uniform**

- Uniform pants with scrub top. Lab coat optional. Only uniform and lab coats designated by the College may be worn. Includes required student name tag. College logo patches must be placed on the left sleeve of the uniform top and lab coat. Pant legs must not touch the floor. All clothes must be clean.
- Name Tag: Shall not be defaced in any manner. School of Nursing conceptual framework pin is allowed and blue healer award/nominee. No other pin is allowed on the name tag or holder. Your last name may be covered with clean white tape.
- Shoes and Socks: Shoes must be clean, modest in appearance, mostly solid color of black, white or gray with closed toe with heel strap or closed heel. Socks preferably a solid color of black, white, gray, or navy.
- Any shirt worn under a scrub top must be solid white.
- Jewelry: Rings must be limited to one ring per hand for optimal handwashing. Necklaces and bracelets should not be worn except medical-alert bands due to safety. Facial piercings (i.e. eyebrow, nose, lip, tongue, ear, ect.) must not pose a potential safety issue to self or others. Requirements may be different depending on the clinical area.
- Body Tattoos: We encourage covering all body tattoos. Tattoos that use profanity or promote violence, hatred, religious intolerance, bigotry, or otherwise violate the values and standards of Bryan College of Health Sciences must be covered. Requirements may be different depending on the clinical area.
- Length and condition of fingernails will be conducive to safety and effective hand washing. Nail polish, ultraviolet (UV) cured nail polish (e.g., gel, Shellac)
  must be kept in good repair without cracks or chips. Artificial nails are prohibited due to infection risk. Artificial nails are defined as any material applied to
  the nail for the purpose of strengthening or lengthening the nail including but not limited to:
  - Wraps
  - Acrylics
  - ∘ Tips
  - Tapes
  - Extensions
  - Overlays
  - Fills
  - Appliques other than those made of standard nail polish.
- Hair, beards and mustaches must be clean. Long hair must be pulled back and secured away from the face for safety and infection control. Requirements may be different depending on clinical area.

#### **Clinical Experience Requiring Polo:**

- Pants with college polo: pants to be black, navy, gray or khaki in color. Only polo designated by the college may be worn.
- Name Tag: Shall not be defaced in any manner. School of Nursing conceptual framework pin is allowed and blue healer award/nominee. No other pin is allowed on the name tag or holder. Your last name may be covered with clean white tape.
- Shoes: Clean, modest in appearance, mostly solid color of black, white or gray with closed toe with heel strap or closed heel.
- Any shirt worn under a polo must be solid white.
- Jewelry: Rings must be limited to one ring per hand for optimal handwashing. Necklaces and bracelets should not be worn except medical-alert bands due to safety. Facial piercings (i.e. eyebrow, nose, lip, tongue, ear, ect.) must not pose a potential safety issue to self or others. Requirements may be different depending on clinical area.
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## **Clinical Prepping**

- Option 1: Pants with college polo: pants to be black, navy, gray, or khaki in color, with a lab coat. Only polo designated by the college may be worn.
- Option 2: Professional dress with lab coat. Lab coat must have a college logo patch on the left sleeve.
- Examples of inappropriate dress includes:

- Non-business attire
- Slacks (dress or scrub) that drag on the floor
- Slacks that are shorter than mid-calf length
- Skirts greater than 3 inches above the knee
- Denim jeans or skirts of any color
- Novelty clothing/t-shirts with messages or graphics
- Tank tops and spaghetti strap tops (sleeveless clothing is to be covered)
- Open toed shoes
- Any shirt with midriff exposure or front or back cleavage exposure (this includes exposures that would occur during bending, reaching or stretching).
- Fleece tops/bottoms, sweatshirts or hooded garments
- Name Tag: Shall not be defaced in any manner. School of Nursing conceptual framework pin is allowed and blue award/nominee. No other pin is allowed on the name tag or holder. Your last name may be covered with clean white tape.
- Closed toed shoes must be worn while prepping.
- Body Tattoos: We encourage covering all body tattoos. Tattoos that use profanity or promote violence, hatred, religious intolerance, bigotry, or otherwise violate the values and standards of Bryan College of Health Sciences must be covered. Requirements may be different depending on clinical area.
- Hair, beards, and mustaches must be clean. Long hair must be pulled back and secured away from the face for safety and infection control. Requirements may be different depending on clinical area.

## Other expectations:

- Body Odor (including tobacco) can be offensive to clients, guests, and staff. Use of perfumes, colognes or scented lotions should be avoided.
- Personal Hygiene: Good personal hygiene is mandatory at all times.
- Appearance of the student is to project a professional image as identified above.