

## **Mobile Infirmery**

### **SBAR: COVID-19 Nursing Student Modifications**

#### **SITUATION**

Nursing students and instructors will be starting clinical and practicum rotations thus COVID-19 modifications must be implemented for this group to ensure the safety of students, staff and patients.

These modifications include:

1. Student/instructor ID badges and parking permit pick-up
2. Parking and entrance to facility
3. Non-fitted N95 masks and face shield
4. Restricted access to 4<sup>th</sup> floor.
5. Social Distancing of 6 ft.

\* Bring as little as possible of your personal belongings into the clinical setting

#### **BACKGROUND**

##### ***Student/instructor ID badges and parking permit pick-up***

Employment Services is limiting exposure to ensure the safety of all, thus student ID pictures will NOT be taken at their office. Employment Services will distribute Student IDs and parking permits. They may be picked-up, via appointment, only in the parking lot of the Employment Services. Contact person is Taylor McEvoy 435-4926.

##### ***Parking and entrance to facility including temperature screening***

Individual clinical and large support departments will check employee temperatures upon arrival to the unit for their assigned shift. Please follow your school's policy regarding COVID-19 guidelines for students. Students should not report to the hospital if they have any symptoms related to COVID-19, including but not limited to fever, cough and/or shortness of breath. Anyone with a temperature greater than 100.4 will be sent to Employee Health for evaluation.

##### ***Non-Fitted N95 masks and face shield***

Some patients are being admitted with unrecognized asymptomatic and pre-symptomatic COVID infections which may be contributing to the transmission of the virus in the facility.

Some patient rooms on the 4<sup>th</sup> floor, have been designated as COVID patient care rooms and have restricted access to staff and students. **NO** access is allowed to these rooms unless approved by the clinical coordinator.

#### **ASSESSMENT**

##### ***Parking and entrance to facility***

- Students and nursing instructors will be required to park in the ground level student parking area and enter the facility via the **employee skywalk only**. Access to the facility will be available during certain times. If students/instructors need access to facility outside the scheduled times, they must use phone to request access into facility.

##### ***Non-Fitted N95 masks and face shield***

- Students and instructors will not be permitted on units without appropriate PPE
- All patients should be considered persons under investigation (PUI) during the pandemic
- All students should wear mask so that it covers nose and mouth (improper placement will not provide protection)
- Strict adherence to hand hygiene is key (vigorously wash with soap and water for 20 seconds)
- Adhere to Social Distancing (6 feet as space allows)
- Adhere to Universal Masking protocol/policy

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

##### ***Student/instructor ID badges and parking permit pick-up***

- Instructors must take a picture of each student while holding a paper with first and last name listed clearly, (mask should not be present in picture) 1

- Each picture should be submitted via email individually in **JPEG** format
- Once the badges are printed the employee service center will notify the instructor/student to come pick up badges and parking permits (via appointment only)

***Parking and entrance to facility including temperature screening***

- All nursing students and instructors to enter the facility through the employee skywalk via the employee parking garage. All nursing students and instructors are required to continue parking in the nursing student/instructor parking area (next to the employee parking garage) on the ground level and then enter the elevator via the parking garage to the 5<sup>th</sup> floor which accesses the employee skywalk to enter the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the hospital. Students/instructors will have access to the facility Monday-Sunday during the following times: 0600- 0800, 1400-1600, & 1800-2000. **To obtain access outside scheduled times, please use phone located before double doors permitting access to main hospital. Protective Services will open the doors by verification of your identify and need to access the hospital.**
- Temperature checks have been discontinued at employee entrances, including employee skywalk. Please do not attempt to enter the facility if you are experiencing symptoms of COVID-19, including but not limited to fever, cough and/or shortness of breath. Follow your school’s policy regarding COVID-19 guidelines for students. Individual clinical and large support departments will check employee temperatures upon arrival to the unit for their assigned shift. Anyone with a temperature greater than 100.4 will be sent to Employee Health for evaluation.

***Non-Fitted N95 masks and face shield***

All STUDENTS AND INSTRUCTORS along with clinical staff that interact with patients are expected to don a non-fitted N95 mask and face shield prior to direct patient contact (non-COVID units).

- Procedural (sterile surgical) mask may be used to cover the non-fitted N95 mask to help keep it clean and dry
- Cloth mask may be used over the N95 masks as well but must be laundered daily
- **Cloth mask must be worn entering and exiting the facility and when entering/exiting any building on campus. Upon reaching clinical destination students must apply hospital approved non-fitted N95 mask and face shield.**

***Note: Students may wear their approved P100 masks at Mobile Infirmary on the noncovid floors.***

Nursing students and instructors are not permitted to enter the Covid patient areas, unless approved by the clinical coordinator.

Please do not attempt to visit ANY patient that is not assigned to you while you are in the hospital.

Students/instructors who have clinical rotations, on 4<sup>th</sup> floor, should enter the facility, via employee skywalk to the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor. Students/instructors should use the “northeast elevators”; labeled #9, #10 or 11#, located near the Courtyard.

In addition to themselves, students and instructors have a responsibility to individuals in their homes, close contacts and community. Upon returning home from the clinical environments, each student is strongly encouraged DAILY adherence to the following:

- a. Scrubs should be immediately removed upon returning home, washed and dried with hot water and high dryer heat.
- b. Wipe shoes with a disinfectant and leave outside the home if possible.
- c. Shower immediately in hot water
- d. Wipe and/or cleanse personal cellular devices, keys and pocket items.
- e. Avoid touching face, wash your hands (at least 20 seconds) often and use proper cough/sneeze etiquette at all times.
- f. Wear a mask in public places.

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