PERSONAL APPEARANCE

Personal appearance reflects attitude and professionalism.

1. Always appear neat and appropriately well groomed.
2. Good personal hygiene is essential. Use deodorant, bathe daily and practice good oral hygiene. Male students must be clean shaven.
3. Students will be expected to wear the appropriate student uniform, including their name tag, whenever they are in the clinical area, this includes pre-clinical. The instructor has the right to dismiss students from clinical if the students do not present a professional appearance.
4. Female Students
   - Skirt: White, or Caribbean blue below-knee length
   - Top: Caribbean Blue, short-sleeved, uniform top
   - Pants: Caribbean Blue, shoe-length uniform pant
   - Jacket: White cover jacket
   - Shoes: Clean white shoes, laces and white hose/stockings. Low-top, leather tennis shoes may be worn if they are mostly all white without a lot of colored name brands or insignias and only used for clinical. All shoes must be solid no open areas (toes or heels).
5. Uniform patches, if utilized must be on the uniform and the cover jacket. They must be sewn two inches below the shoulder seam on the left sleeve or the garment will have the ICC information embroidered by the vendor (Globe).
6. Uniforms must be clean, white/bright, pressed and complete which includes name tag, stethoscope, pen, nurse's watch (has a moving or “sweep” second hand, not digital) scissors, and transfer belt.
7. Students are not to wear their uniform in public except when going on or off duty.
8. Hair must be clean, neatly arranged and off the collar. Long hair may be worn in a braid or a simple contained fashion. Hair is to be of natural hues only with no added threads or ornaments. Religious hair attire should be discussed with the director prior to clinical.
9. Extreme make-up may not be worn while in the clinical area. No perfume, cologne, or scented lotions or sprays may be worn.
11. The only jewelry to be worn on the clinical area will be a wedding band, medical I.D. bracelet and nurse's watch. One pair, of pierced stud, earrings is acceptable. Other visible pierced rings/studs are not permitted. Tattoos must be fully covered by clothing or bandage. The only tattoo exceptions are a) a wedding band or b) a medical alert bracelet tattoo.
12. Students are not allowed to chew gum, eat, or drink beverages in the clinical area, except on breaks/lunch in designated areas.
13. Most health care facilities, and the college campuses, are totally tobacco free. This means no smoking on campus grounds and specifically no smoking during any clinical shift, not on lunch or other breaks. Smoking odors must be eliminated before giving patient care. Students are expected to comply with these criteria.
14. No visiting of friends, relatives or other clinical areas during clinical hours will be allowed, nor are students allowed to leave the clinical site during clinical.
15. Cell phones and pagers must be OFF during all theory and clinical courses. Phone calls should only be made during break and lunch time. Emergency phone calls are the only ones to be received during clinical.
16. Some clinical experiences occur off-site (school or pre-clinical) and professional, conservative dress clothes with name tag and Lab Jacket are required.