

## **APPENDIX B**

### **STUDENT HEALTH POLICY Revised February, 2005**

#### **IMMUNIZATIONS:**

The immunizations listed below are currently **REQUIRED** for students prior to the first fieldwork. The School of Nursing revises this list annually, usually in the autumn, so it may vary slightly by the time you are doing fieldwork. An updated list will be provided during autumn quarter each year. All required vaccinations are available at Hall Health on the UW Seattle campus, if you cannot get them at work or from your personal healthcare provider. UW Bothell students would be required to make an office visit (at a cost of approximately \$80-90) and would then receive an order for vaccinations which would be available at an additional cost. Part of the cost might be paid by your private insurance carrier.

The UW School of Nursing requires routine yearly PPD testing of all students participating in a clinical setting. Any student who has had BCG in childhood should have PPD testing done once as an adult. (If adult test is positive, do not repeat test at later date; painful reactions can occur.) If PPD is positive, bring records specifying the test results, your chest x-ray report, and details of prescribed medication, if any.

#### **HEPATITIS B**

"Universal vaccine" is required, consisting of the series of three immunizations and post-vaccination positive Hepatitis B surface antibody titer.

#### **MEASLES**

All students must provide proof of immunity to measles. The requirement is for TWO doses or a positive antibody titer. The dose must be after 12 months of age and, at least one month apart. They must be given after 1/1/68 and not given with immune globulin. Person born before 1/1/57 must have proof of one dose or a positive antibody titer.

#### **MUMPS**

One immunization, a positive antibody titer, or documented history of the disease by lab report.

#### **RUBELLA**

One immunization, a positive antibody titer, or documented history of the disease (positive rubella titer by lab report).

#### **TETANUS-DIPHTHERIA**

Primary series with DtaP or DTP and booster with Td within the past ten years.

#### **TUBERCULOSIS**

In addition to a current PPD within 2 months of the start of your program, another PPD is required within the last two years; otherwise a two-step PPD test will be done at entry. History of BCG is NOT a contraindication to PPD testing. Persons with a history of a positive PPD (TB skin test) must provide documentation of the test, your chest X-ray report, and details of prescribed medication.

#### **VARICELLA (Chicken Pox)**

History of disease is sufficient proof of immunity. If no history, positive Varicella antibody or two doses of vaccine given at least one month apart (if immunized after 13 years of age) meet the requirement. Report known exposure to chicken pox to your clinical instructor. You may be denied access to the clinical area until the danger of coming down with chicken pox is past.

## **BLOOD-BORNE PATHOGENS POLICY**

Emergency first aid, risk assessment, laboratory testing, and medications for prophylaxis of blood- or secretion-borne pathogens (BBP) will be available to students at the clinical site's employee health office. If there is no employee health office at the clinical site, students are to seek care at the nearest emergency room. Injuries/exposures involving potential BBP risk occurring after clinic hours, on weekends, and on holidays will be cared for by the staff on duty in the Emergency Medicine Service (EMS) at the University of Washington Medical Center (UWMC). Call EMS at 206-598-4000 for information 24 hours a day.

Medical record documentation and laboratory test results for cases of potential occupational BBP exposure are maintained in confidential files, and are not a part of the regular UWMC/HMC medical records or the online laboratory data base. Written documentation of a needle stick or exposure to a blood-borne pathogen incident and the actions taken by UWMC or HMC will be reported by the Employee Health staff on the UW Occupational Accident Reporting System (OARS).

An incident report for the agency in which the incident occurred should be completed by the student. Following the completion of the incident report, make a photocopy of it and send it to Academic Services (AS), Box 357260, Seattle, WA, 98191, AND notify AS of the incident by calling (206) 543-8736. Please do so AFTER you have contacted the clinical site's employee health office or nearest emergency room for immediate triage.

It is important to note that occupational health services delivered in the UWMC EMS provide first response to an accidental injury/exposure involving potential BBP, but cannot substitute for primary and specialty medical care from an individual's regular health care provider for ongoing health needs.

All Nursing students are **STRONGLY ADVISED** to have personal health insurance, or to join a health care plan, to cover the expenses of their health care and treatments in case of a catastrophic illness or injury and/or the development of a serious chronic condition within or outside the occupational setting.

### ***REPORTING ACCIDENTS/INCIDENTS/NEAR MISSES***

Overview: The University of Washington Bothell, places a high value on the safety of our employees, students, and visitors. We are committed to providing a safe and healthful work and educational environment for all. Reporting campus accidents, incidents, and near misses plays a key role in helping the University meet this commitment.

Procedures:

- UW Bothell students and visitors will complete the Environmental Health and Safety UW Non-Employee Injury form (OHS FORM 109).
- This report form is available on the internet (see address below) or through Campus Public Safety, CP1 100, 425-352-5359.
- Route the completed form to UW Bothell Administrative Services, box 358535 or UW1-271, for review and submission to UW Environmental Health & Safety.

<http://www.ehs.washington.edu/forms/ohs/nonemployeeinjuryandillnessform.pdf>

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## **POLICY ON INFECTION CONTROL PROCEDURES FOR HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS INFECTED WITH HBV/HIV/HCV**

In compliance with the University of Washington Infection Control Procedures regarding blood-borne disease, the School of Nursing supports voluntary reporting of HIV/HBV/HCV status. As part of their professional responsibility and accountability we encourage all faculty and students to be aware of their risk status for HBV/HIV/HCV. If they are at risk for these diseases, we encourage them to seek testing and to notify us of their status so as not to place patients in a position of risk. We recommend adhering to CDC guidelines which state that infected individuals cannot do any procedure where their hands are enclosed in a body cavity with poor visibility, they are holding a sharp instrument, and there is possibility of bleeding into the patient's body cavity. If an infected student or faculty member must engage in such activities, each situation should be reviewed and specific practice protocol developed. All students are taught universal precautions as part of our curriculum. Following these policies is essential for the protection of both the care provider and the patient and minimizes any risk to either party.

### **IF SOMEONE IS INJURED OR ILL**

Students who are injured or become ill in the clinical area should notify the clinical instructor immediately. In the case of a work related injury, the student should follow the procedure (if one exists) prescribed by the institution or agency for students (not staff) who are injured. If the student is treated in a hospital emergency room, neither the University nor the agency will accept financial responsibility. The student must pay for any care according to the policy of that agency.

### **ALL STUDENTS: POLICIES & REQUIREMENTS- CPR TRAINING**

All BSN and MN students are required to have a current CPR card throughout the nursing program. If you do not yet have a card, please plan to take a CPR class, **which at a minimum must include both adult AND infant/child resuscitation. If a special CPR training for health care providers course is available to you, it is recommended that you take it.** Some local places where CPR training is available are listed below. **Again be sure you are enrolling in a course which includes both adult and infant/child CPR.**

- America Heart Association/Community Training Center: (206) 632-6881
- American Red Cross: (206) 323-2345
- Lake Washington Technical College Business Training Center (click on Continuing Ed Course Listing and then on First Aid and CPR. A CPR for Health Care Providers course is available at LWTC)
- Medic II--Seattle Fire Department (these classes offered free to the public)
- Response Systems Northwest (for groups of 15+): (206) 223-1555
- Swedish Medical Center (go to Health Info and Classes, to Health Classes and choose Cardiology. Under Continuing Medical Education is a Healthcare Provider Course)

Local hospitals that offer CPR courses:

- Overlake Hospital, 425-688-5259, offers CPR on the first Thursday of every month, 7-10pm, free, pre-registration required.
- At HMC you can call 206-731-2000 for information about registering for CPR classes. ACLS and PALS are also offered. Must pre-register and pay for the course.

- At Evergreen Hospital Medical Center call 425-899-3000 and enter 2 to register for CPR classes which are held on Tuesday evenings from 6-10 p.m. Call for dates. Must pre-register and pay for the course.

Proof of CPR training is required at the beginning of the classes and prior to any advanced fieldwork, where the expiration date of your training is noted. CPR training expires on the date shown on your card. You are responsible for seeing that your CPR training is maintained throughout your enrollment in the Nursing Program; if your initial training will expire during the course of your enrollment, you will be required to present proof to the MN Advisor that you have renewed your CPR training.

## **HIPAA REQUIREMENTS**

All students in the Master of Nursing Program must have HIPAA (Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act) training. It is important to note that you may be required to take additional HIPAA modules at certain clinical sites.

On-line HIPAA training and certification must be taken through the UW, and students must contact the MN Advisor for an identification number that will allow them to access the training site. Training is conducted individually via a secure Web site, and lasts approximately 90 minutes or more.