Monroe County Community College Nursing Skills Lab Cleaning and Disinfection Safety Protocols

- All students will perform hand washing upon entering or exiting the nursing lab or adjacent classrooms and encouraged to use hand sanitizer intermittently while in the lab/learning environment. Hand sanitizer will be readily available in high traffic/touch areas near the lab bays or beds for both student and faculty use.
- All students are required to wear a face mask while in the nursing lab.
- Students will provide their own pens or pencils while in the lab; there will be no sharing of writing utensils
- Staff will assist with the disinfecting of door handles, door knobs, light switches, desks,
 patient beds, and other high touch areas like counters daily and more often as needed,
 using college-approved cleaning products per CDC (Center for Disease Control) or WHO
 (World Health Organization) guidelines; appropriate use of PPE (personal protective
 equipment) must be worn by staff during the cleaning and disinfecting of lab supplies or
 the lab environment
- Students will use college-approved disinfectant products per CDC or WHO guidelines to clean patient bay areas, work stations on wheels (WOWs) and any other equipment utilized during skills practice or assessment.
- Occupied lab beds will be sanitized between student use using the "college-approved" cleaning product.
- Once manikins and equipment are disinfected, "This station has been sanitized" signs should be displayed in the lab bay.
- These safety protocols are put in place to ensure the health and safety of students and faculty working in the nursing lab. Faculty will monitor student compliance and address any issues as needed. Students who refuse to follow these safety protocols, are noted to repeatedly disregard direction from the lab staff, or repeatedly arrive to the nursing lab unprepared to meet these safety guidelines may be subject to disciplinary action under the *Professionalism Policy* located in the Student Information Handbook. Discipline for failure to comply will be handled on a case-by-case basis.

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