RIVERSIDE CITY COLLEGE
SCHOOL OF NURSING

Policy and Procedure: Psychological and Physical Safety

Psychological:

In the event that a participant, Simulation Facilitator, or visitor is experiencing undo stress, anxiety, or emotional distress, a member of the RCC SON faculty or staff will intervene to assist the participant in reaching the appropriate campus service. If this occurs during a simulated clinical experience the Simulation Facilitator will notify Director of Simulation/Learning Labs (LLs), available nursing faculty or staff, Department Chair, and/or Dean, School of Nursing.

Campus Resources:

- RCCD Campus Police: (951) 222-8171
- Medical Emergency: 9-1-1
- Student Health & Psychological Services: (951) 222-8151

The pre-brief and orientation to the Parkview Community Medical Center Virtual Hospital (PCMCVH) will set the foundation and expectations to ensure psychological safety during simulated educational activity.

The safety precautions enforced in the RCC SON and other clinical settings follow the *ADN, VN, and NATP Handbooks* and include the *Student Health Requirements, ADA Compliance, and Core Performance Standards*.

Participants have access to the PCMCVH based on their course-level simulation schedule. The PCMCVH remains locked during scheduled simulation educational activities. Any guest observers must be approved by the Director of Simulation/LLs or Simulation Experts along with participants in the simulation educational activity.

Physical:

Good body mechanics are imperative when dealing with heavier equipment. Participants in the PCMCVH and LLs are trained to move the heavy equipment and Human Patient Simulators (HPS).

In all simulation rooms and learning labs Sharps containers are available for use. Sharps are to be disposed of in the red Sharps containers (colors may vary). The Nursing Skills Lab Technician (NSLT) must be notified to arrange for pick up by RCC Facilities when free-standing sharps container(s) have been used for simulation educational activities. When the wall-mounted Sharps containers are full, per manufacturer, the NSLT must be notified to remove, replace, and arrange for pick up by RCC Facilities.

All heavy foot traffic areas are to be free of clutter to prevent the risk of falling. This includes electrical wires, chairs, personal property such as book bags, handbags, and nursing supply bags.

If an accident occurs it is to be immediately reported to the Director of Simulation/LLs, Department Chair, Dean, School of Nursing and/or other designee. Please see *Accident/Injury* policy in SON handbooks.

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