San Diego Nursing Service-Education Consortium
Student Dress Code

These guidelines are minimum requirements expected of faculty and students for pre-clinical and clinical assignments. In addition, schools understand that facilities may require affiliating faculty and students to adhere to a facility-specific dress code.

Pre-clinical:

1. Picture identification badge with name that meets the guidelines of AB 1439, which amended Chapter 1 of Division 2 of the Business and Professional Code of the State of California. Some facilities require both student and facility badges, or may allow either student or facility.

2. Clean uniform or lab coat over street clothes of knee length or longer. No jeans or visible midriffs. A lab coat must be worn over scrubs.

3. Clean, low-heeled shoes with closed toes. Clogs must have a strap around the heels. No sandals or flip-flops.

4. Jewelry:
   Only wedding or simple rings and limited to one per hand
   No piercings or jewelry/hardware may be evident other than one small stud earring per ear.

5. Hair color must fall within natural occurring shades, be neat, and if long, secured back. Facial hair must be neatly trimmed.

6. Tattoos must be covered at all times.

7. Fingernails must be trimmed short. Light or clear polish without chips is acceptable. No artificial or acrylic nails or components thereof are permitted.

8. Make up is to be worn in moderation.

9. No perfumes or scented lotions.

10. No low necklines.

11. Undergarments cannot be visible through the uniform

Clinical:

Follow all above guidelines with the exception of the lab coat portion of #2. The school uniform is required except as allowed by the facility, e.g., in a Leadership/Management rotation.

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