

STUDENT DRESS CODE POLICY – COLLEGE OF MEDICINE

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Policy Statement:

I. Purpose:

It is the responsibility of each medical student to be professionally attired while attending or representing the College of Medicine. Dress code and professional appearance standards for medical students in patient care and simulated patient care settings are set forth in the following policy.

II. Policy:

- 1) Students shall wear professional attire such as dress shirts or blouses, slacks, mid-length skirts or dresses, and closed-toed footwear.
- 2) Students may wear scrub suits only in areas deemed appropriate by individual hospitals or patient care sites.
- 3) White medical coats and hospital identification must be worn as directed and/or required.
- 4) Excessive and/or dangling jewelry that could interfere with patient care is prohibited.
- 5) Strongly scented fragrances and tobacco/cigarette odor are prohibited. Students must be mindful of personal hygiene to limit odors that may interfere with patient care.
- 6) Long or artificial nails are prohibited.
- 7) Visible tattoos must be covered or concealed to the extent possible.
- 8) Hair, including facial hair, must be arranged or covered to prevent interference with patient care and to conform to the safety requirements of the specific work area.

Clerkships and affiliated hospitals may have separate or additional dress requirements for students, which students are required to follow. Students must also be aware of and adhere to OSHA and other regulations, which may dictate additional dress requirements.

A student who fails to adhere to dress code standards may be subject to adverse action, which may include a reduction in the student's professionalism grade.