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**SUBJECT: Clinical Attendance – Nursing Program only**

**I. POLICY:**

To ensure that MC nursing students are provided with guidelines on clinical attendance.

**II. GENERAL INFORMATION:**

Clinical practice/clinical laboratory attendance is mandatory; 100% participation is expected.

Satisfactory and Unsatisfactory are used to evaluate nursing clinical performance based on course objectives.

The Illinois State Licensing Board requires experiential learning in nursing clinical practice/clinical laboratory to fulfill the requirements for a Baccalaureate of Science in Nursing.

- The faculty expects 100% nursing clinical attendance.
- The ability to meet course objectives by attending clinical practice/clinical laboratory is required to pass nursing courses.
- A missed clinical practice/clinical laboratory day will hinder the student in meeting the course objectives necessary for passing the nursing course and will result in a “U” for the day.
- The inability to meet nursing course objectives results in an *UNSATISFACTORY* in clinical performance and therefore a possible failure in a nursing course.
- Nursing clinical performance is evaluated according to established, expected behaviors for each course as defined in the course syllabus.
- Students coming unprepared for clinical practice/clinical laboratory may be sent away from the clinical site which may also result in an *Unsatisfactory* for the clinical day.
- In the event that a student is going to be late for clinical practice/clinical laboratory experience, the expectation is that the student will notify the clinical unit one hour prior to the start time.