TITLE: BLOODBORNE PATHOGEN EXPOSURE CONTROL PLAN FOR NURSING STUDENTS

POLICY: The College of Nursing shall maintain a bloodborne pathogen exposure control plan for nursing students.

RATIONALE: The Florida State University College of Nursing has a mission to develop professional nurses to function as leaders in diverse communities. In the profession of nursing, exposure to blood borne pathogens is an occupational hazard. Blood borne pathogens are defined as being infectious microorganisms that cause disease in humans. They include, but are not limited to, Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV). As part of its mission, the College of Nursing has developed a plan of action for students in case of exposure to blood borne pathogens.

In order to meet the specific needs of students who may have the potential for blood borne pathogen exposure as part of their clinical experience, the College of Nursing has developed this Blood borne Pathogen Exposure Control Plan for Nursing Students in accordance with the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), Blood borne Pathogens Standard, 29 Code of Federal Regulation (CFR) 1910.1030.

PROCEDURE:
1. The student must report any blood borne exposure to their clinical instructor, Undergraduate or Graduate Administrator on call or appropriate agency personnel immediately. See attachment

2. The instructor or appropriate agency personnel will assess the circumstances of the exposure, and will contact University Health Services (UHS) Monday to Friday 8-4 except FSU holidays to secure an appointment. Post Exposure prophylaxis (PEP) must be initiated within 72 hours of exposure. The UHS Bloodborne Pathogen Exposure for Patients (Non-Employees) will be followed.

3. If the clinical site, where exposure takes place is greater than two hours from (UHS) at Florida State University (FSU) occurs after hours or on FSU Holiday the student will be triaged based on exposure to the nearest hospital, Urgent care or Primary care provider for testing

4. Source Testing [https://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/rr5011a1.htm](https://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/rr5011a1.htm) HIV, Hepatitis, Hepatitis C PCR Quant.

5. Post Exposure Prophylaxis will follow the Current CDC PEP Guidelines. Available at [https://www.cdc.gov/hiv/risk/pep/index.html](https://www.cdc.gov/hiv/risk/pep/index.html) Telephone Consultation is available at PEP Consultation Service for Clinicians 1-888-448-4911 from 9 a.m. – 2 a.m. ET
6. Follow up and medication selection should follow the current UHS Bloodborne pathogen exposure for patient’s guideline, unless other timelines and medications are indicated by the site of treatment (i.e. hospital protocol off campus) or individual student’s health status.

Approved by:

Faculty 1/19/2018
Dean
Blood Borne Pathogen Exposure Control Plan Checklist

**IMMEDIATELY following a needle stick, laceration, or skin exposure to blood/body fluid**
**DO NOT SQUEEZE THE AFFECTED AREA**
**Wash** needle sticks and cuts with soap and water
**Flush** splashes to the nose, mouth, or skin with water

*If exposure to eyes*
- **Remove** Contact lenses
- **Irrigate** eyes with clean water, saline, or sterile irrigant

*Report* the incident to your supervisor, instructor or preceptor

**Immediately seek medical treatment**

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OR

Triage to the nearest primary care provider, Urgent Care or Hospital

The instructor must report the incident to the CON Assistant Dean of Undergraduate or Graduate Programs

**Post- Exposure Bloodborne Pathogen Laboratory Testing at UHS**

Follow up when Post exposure prophylaxis (PEP) is NOT initiated

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REMEMBER, THE BEST WAY TO DEAL WITH A BLOOD EXPOSURE ACCIDENT IS TO PREVENT ONE FROM OCCURRING!!! HOWEVER, ACCIDENTS DO HAPPEN AND YOU ARE NOT ALONE!!! REPORT OCCURANCE IMMEDIATELY!!!! *****

* Immediate notification will help to insure the timely implementation of post exposure prophylaxis when indicated. PEP should be started within two hours of the exposure.*
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NOTES:

**Post-exposure Prophylaxis at UHS:**

Post exposure prophylaxis (PEP) regimen **must be initiated within 72 hours of exposure**:

Truvada 1 PO daily x 5 days + Isentress 1 PO BID x 5 days then if baseline labs OK and patient tolerating well may continue with both meds for 23 more days for a total of 28 day regimen.

Alternative to Truvada: Kaletra 200mg/50mg 2 PO BID x 5 days, then if baseline labs OK and patient tolerating well may continue with both meds for 23 more days for a total of 28 day regimen.

Alternative to Isentress: Zidovudine 300mg 1 PO BID x 5 days, then if baseline labs OK and patient tolerating well may continue with both meds for 23 more days for a total of 28 day regimen.

**CDC CLINICAL MANAGEMENT PEP HOTLINE #: 888-448-4911**

References:  
- UpToDate.com