POLICY

Unacceptable nursing practice in the clinical setting is grounds for receiving a Clinical Fail Day, also known as an “F” Day.

A clinical setting is any activity for which the student receives clinical hours.

A student who receives three (3) clinical “F” days in any clinical course will receive a grade of F for that course. After receiving a grade of F, a student may petition the Student Affairs Committee to re-take the course during the subsequent semester on a space available basis.

A student who accumulates five clinical “F” days will be dismissed from the School of Nursing. After being dismissed from the School of Nursing, a student may petition the Student Affairs Committee to be reinstated into the School of Nursing.

PROCEDURE

The faculty member will inform the student, documenting unacceptable behavior on Form 22, that the student will receive a clinical “F” day. At the faculty member’s discretion, the student may be removed from direct patient care for the remainder of that clinical day. The student will be given a copy of the completed Form 22 with Policy 22 attached thereto. The original Form 22 will be sent to the SON director for inclusion in the student’s permanent file. The instructor may retain a copy.

When a student receives the second clinical “F” day in a course, the student shall meet with the instructor(s) and the level coordinator and/or the assistant director and/or the director of the SON and be informed that three clinical “F” days will result in a grade of F for that course.

When a student receives the fourth clinical “F” day while in nursing program, the student shall meet with the instructor(s) and the level coordinator and/or the assistant director and/or the director of the SON and be informed that five clinical “F” days will result in dismissal from the SON.