Clinical Dress Code Policy

In order to create an environment of professionalism for our patients and colleagues, students are required to dress professionally in appropriate attire and maintain a neat and clean appearance.

As members of the medical community, all students engaged in patient care activities shall wear a clean, short white coat (unless instructed otherwise by the attending physician) and have the required student identification visible.

For safety reasons, open-toed shoes or sandals are NOT to be worn. Cologne, perfume, or after shave are not appropriate in the clinical environment as patients may be allergic. Students are to adhere to the professional dress standards of their assigned clinical sites.

Examples of proper attire include:
- Collared shirt with slacks
- Slacks or skirt with blouse
- Work-appropriate dresses
- Ties are optional, but students should consult with their preceptor and follow his/her guidance.

Appearances that have the potential to offend or distract patients are to be avoided. Examples of these appearances include but are not limited to:
- Easily visible tattoos or body piercing (e.g., lip, eyebrow, tongue)
- Unusual hair coloring or style
- Casual clothing (e.g., jeans and t-shirts)
- Revealing or ill-fitting clothing
- Unwashed or unkempt appearance