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# Safety Event Reporting

## 1. Purpose

The purpose of this plan is to provide guidance to faculty and leadership in nursing programs regarding errors/safety events/near misses made by students, faculty, preceptors or staff nurse working with student in clinical setting, simulation and lab. The plan is developed in accordance with state guidelines, specifically <u>WAC 246-840-513</u> and <u>WAC 246-840-519</u>

### 2. Scope

This plan outlines the responsibilities and procedures to be followed if a nursing student and/or faculty member is involved in an incident that the faculty has reason to believe resulted in a near miss or an occurrence that resulted in patient harm, an unreasonable risk of patient harm, or diversion of drugs or controlled substances.

#### 3. Responsibilities and Procedures

In the event of an error or near-miss:

Student:

- Ensures the patient is safe
- Notifies the clinical faculty and the nurse responsible for the patient immediately

Bellevue College Clinical Faculty:

- Ensures the safety of the patient and student and takes appropriate immediate action in collaboration with the facility RN responsible for the patient
- Notifies the appropriate nursing leadership at the clinical facility of the event
- Ensures appropriate documentation is completed at the clinical site
- Completes the student/visitor or employee accident injury form: <u>File a Report :: Public</u> <u>Safety (bellevuecollege.edu)</u> (*If the event occurred on Bellevue College Campus*)
- Notifies the Course Coordinator immediately
- Completes <u>Bellevue College Nursing Adverse Health Events and Incident Reporting System</u> <u>Survey</u> IMMEDIATELY at the time of the event
- Completes <u>Root Cause Analysis</u> Survey, linked <u>here</u> within seven days of event occurrence
- Access <u>NCSBN Safe Study Resources</u> and <u>Student Error Debriefing Template</u>
- Upon completion of Bellevue College Nursing Adverse Health Events and Incident Reporting System Survey, notifies the BC Program Chair and the Associate Dean of Nursing of the event
- Notifies the BC Program Chair and the Associate Dean of Nursing of the event, upon completion of the Root Cause Analysis Survey

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Associate Dean of Nursing:

- Submits <u>WA DOH Incident Reports</u> (within 2 business days) of the event to the Nursing Care Quality Assurance per accordance with WAC guidelines
- Completes <u>Incident Event Log</u>
- Oversees the subsequent discussions and follow-up actions
- Updates faculty at Program Meeting if any near miss or safety events occurred
- Submits Root Cause Analysis Summary within 45 days of event to <a href="mailto:ncqac.education@doh.wa.gov">ncqac.education@doh.wa.gov</a>
- If the incident presents an immediate safety concern to patient, students, healthcare team, or faculty, an emergency meeting is held for debrief.

Curriculum Chair:

• Debrief of root cause analysis findings reported on Bellevue College Nursing Adverse Health Events and Incident Reporting System Survey and evaluates trends and curriculum quality improvement at a curriculum meeting following the <u>Adverse Event Reporting Program</u> <u>Guide</u>

#### Definitions

**Near miss:**(1) A situation in which an event or omission, or a sequence of events or omissions, arising during clinical care fails to develop further, whether or not the result of compensating action, thus preventing injury to a patient. (NHS); (2) An event or situation that could have resulted in an accident, injury or illness, but did not, either by chance or through timely intervention. (QuIC) <a href="http://www.npsf.org/?page=dictionarynz&hhSearchTerms=%22definition+and+near-miss+and+event%22">http://www.npsf.org/?page=dictionarynz&hhSearchTerms=%22definition+and+near-miss+and+event%22</a> Retrieved from National patient Safety Foundation Patient Safety Dictionary (2018).

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