

Addendum #2 to Nursing Student Guidebook 2025-2026

Use of Skills Laboratory Supplies and Clinical Facility Equipment

To ensure student safety, uphold professional standards, and comply with Santa Ana College Nursing Department policies and our affiliated clinical partners' regulations, the following guidelines apply to all SAC Nursing students:

1. Invasive Skill Practice on Humans Outside of Clinical Assignments

Students are **strictly prohibited** from practicing invasive nursing skills on any human subject outside of their clinical assignments. This includes, but is not limited to:

- Injections
- Venipuncture or IV insertion
- Urinary catheterization
- Wound care
- Any skill that punctures the skin or enters a body cavity

Skills laboratory supplies provided by Santa Ana College are simulation-grade teaching materials only and are not sterile, not approved for clinical use, and not intended for human application under any circumstances. These skills are only to be performed on humans under the supervision of a licensed clinician (assigned bedside RN, clinical instructor, community partner, etc.) as appropriate.

2. Removal of Clinical Facility Equipment

Students may not remove any equipment, supplies, or materials from our clinical partner facilities for any reason including practice, demonstration, or personal study.

- Doing so violates contractual agreements with clinical agencies and constitutes unprofessional conduct.

3. Expectations for Professional Conduct

Santa Ana College Nursing students are expected to:

- Use all lab supplies and clinical equipment only as directed and only for their intended educational purpose.
- Demonstrate accountability for the proper care, handling, and return of any borrowed instructional items.

- Seek faculty guidance if there is any uncertainty regarding the appropriate use of supplies or equipment.

4. Consequences of Policy Violation

Failure to adhere to this policy may result in:

- Immediate removal from the clinical setting
- Formal disciplinary action per the Nursing Student Guidebook
- Possible referral to the Associate Dean of Health Sciences
- Risk of dismissal from the Nursing Program
- Notification to the affiliated clinical facility, as required

This policy is designed to protect student safety, maintain the integrity of our program, and support compliance with agency agreements and regulatory standards.