MONTANA STATE UNIVERSITY
COLLEGE OF NURSING

POLICY # A-34

TITLE: MANDATORY STUDENT PROGRAMS ON STANDARD PRECAUTIONS

POLICY: In order to provide validation of attendance at annual program updates on Standard Precautions.

RATIONALE: An annual program to update students on Standard Precautions is required to inform students of diseases that are contracted through blood and body fluids. Students need current information to provide safe care to clients and to protect self from disease process through a safe practice environment.

PROCEDURE:

1. Prior to clinical experiences, each campus will provide an annual program update, to include review of Standard Precautions with all students, including graduate students. Information provided will be appropriate to students’ level in the program and local agency procedures.

2. Each student’s attendance will be documented through signature and date on an attendance sheet prior to beginning clinical experiences in that academic year.

3. A brief description of the program offered and the signature attendance list will be mailed to the Administrative Assistant in the College of Nursing in Bozeman and maintained by Associate Dean for Undergraduate Programs’ Office. Each campus will maintain a copy for its files until the relevant students graduate.

4. If students do not attend the planned program, they must complete an alternate program to obtain the same content and validate completion with the Campus Director.

5. Students will not be allowed to attend clinical experiences until validation of completed content is received by the Campus Director.

Reviewed/Approved by:

Level I: Executive Council (May, 2014)
Level II: Associate Dean for Undergraduate Programs (May, 2014)