

## <sup>1</sup>Nursing Skills and Technology Center (NSTC) COVID-19 Guidelines: Phase 3

### Purpose

The purpose of this guideline is to provide required best practices to convene on-campus educational activities in the Nursing Skills and Technology Center that complies with city, state and federal pandemic requirements. These guidelines outline the procedures to plan and use an NSTC lab during the COVID-19 pandemic. These guidelines must be disseminated to all faculty, students, and staff that will be utilizing the NSTC.

### Faculty guidelines when planning an NSTC lab activity:

1. Faculty will notify students in advance of NSTC Guidelines.
2. Student groups will be limited to 50% of room or lab capacity (see Table 1) with the ability to maintain 6 feet of social distancing at any given time.
3. Plan the lab schedule to permit at least 10 minutes between each group in order to limit student contact.
4. Provide the date, number of students, and schedule to the NSTC for approval.
5. Once approved, the NSTC will confirm via email with course faculty.
6. Instruct students not to congregate in public areas before the lab, i.e. atrium and student lounge. Students are encouraged to arrive no earlier than 15 minutes prior to the lab.
7. Social distancing of (6 feet minimum) must be followed at all times. If necessary, the NSTC will provide visual markers or floor tape to designate stations for social distancing. Social distancing should be maintained upon entering the building, during the lab, and departing the building.
8. Students and faculty will be required to wear masks (cloth or surgical). Surgical masks can be provided by the NSTC.
9. Students and faculty are not to come directly to the lab from the clinical setting without showering and changing their clothing.

### The day of the NSTC lab activity expectations:

1. Faculty should arrive 30 minutes before students to set up the lab.
2. Faculty/students will wipe down equipment (equipment specific products provided by NSTC) between students and at the conclusion of the lab.

**Table 1. NSTC Room and Lab Capacities at 50% with 6 ft. Social Distancing**

<b>NSTC Room or Lab</b>	<b>Capacity</b>
Hospital Lab – 5 <sup>th</sup> Floor	24
IV Lab- 5 <sup>th</sup> Floor	6
5 <sup>th</sup> Floor Simulation Labs	5
2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor Simulation Labs	5

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