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Title: Nursing Program Repeats

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I. Purpose: To parallel area colleges in implementing a "one repeat per program" policy. This trend of allowing only one repeat for the entire program is an attempt to increase the statistical pass rates for licensing exams, to ensure continued patient safety, and to reduce overall attrition rates.

II. Application: All nursing students will be given a copy of the documentation of the "one repeat per program" policy via the student handbook. The policy will also be posted on the Nursing Department website and included on the Admission Policy Acknowledgement form in the ADN and LVN/RN Career Ladder applications. This change in policy will still allow for a petition process by which students can request an exception, should special circumstances arise and an additional repeat is necessary.

III. Policy: The Curriculum Committee, APT Committee, and Full Faculty Committee have approved the following policy to be implemented immediately:

Course Repeats: The Department of Nursing has a single course repeat policy for the Associate Degree Nursing program and 30-Unit Option pathway. Students will be allowed to fail or withdraw from one (1) course throughout the duration of their studies as an ADN student. Students who withdraw from or fail a second nursing course will be permanently suspended from the program. This policy applies to NURS 26 (Pharmacology), NURS 36 (Pathophysiology: Understanding Disease), and all nursing core coursework (semesters I through IV) which lead to the Associate Degree in Nursing or completion of the 30-Unit Option pathway.