

## Radiologic Technology Program at Washington Health System

### POLICY

If a disaster occurs, the Rice Energy Family Simulation Center will address modifications necessary to include physical space, availability/disinfection of equipment, and participant /staff safety.

### PROCEDURE

#### Upon Notification of a Disaster:

- A. Complete research and review available evidence-based practice recommendations from regulatory, governmental and professional organizations.
- B. Conduct assessment of current classes.
  1. Collaborate with the Washington Health System for disaster training needs.
  2. Collaborate with The Washington Hospital School of Nursing to reassess what classes are necessary and can be delivered remotely.
    - a. Students will receive online instruction and virtual simulation.
    - b. Skill labs will be recorded or hosted live via internet resources.
    - c. If the disaster is related to an infectious disease, physical examination of the mouth and nose is prohibited. (In this situation, the student will verbally describe the process/assessment).
  3. Determine what American Heart Association classes will continue/discontinue and need to be modified.

#### Disaster Modifications:

- A. All users of the simulation center will follow Washington Health System's policies for infection control and prevention.
  1. Bring own mask and wear it at all times.
  2. Practice hand hygiene upon entry and exit of all rooms.
  3. Simulation Center staff will frequently observe hand hygiene practices and monitor stock of supplies (personal protective equipment and hand sanitizer).
  4. The Washington Hospital School of Nursing groups will be limited to a maximum of seven students per group.
- B. Follow Washington Health System protocol for cleaning, disinfecting, and promoting air flow in order to prevent spread of infectious disease.
  1. Complete between each class by Simulation Center staff and daily by Environmental Services.

2. Open windows and doors prior to activities in the Simulation Center and between scheduled classes.

C. Work space and work flow will be reconfigured, so that users are protected within the social/physical distancing requirements.

1. Class sizes will be limited, dependent on physical space of each room.
2. Mark the floors in the Simulation Center with bright colored tape for visual reminders.
3. Remove extra chairs in debriefing rooms in order to distance users.
4. Display signs on each of the men's and women's restrooms to limit capacity of one person at a time.

D. Limit sharing items and bringing personal items into the simulation center.

1. Permit only personal cell phones and personal equipment (ex: stethoscopes).
2. Provide alcohol wipes in all Simulation rooms for cleaning of personal equipment.
3. Remove shared items from use (such as pens).
  - a. One dry-erase marker will be available in debriefing rooms and will be cleaned following each class by the instructor.
4. All users will avoid sharing desks, computers, phones, headsets, or other objects near the mouth or nose.

E. All users of the Simulation Center will follow Washington Health Systems policies if any symptoms are exhibited or user is feeling ill.

1. User will alert supervisor.
2. Prohibit entry into the Simulation Center.
3. User will go home, seek medical attention, and follow requirements for self-isolation.

**Permission to Reopen:**

A. Gain approval for re-entry to the Simulation Center from the Washington Health System administration and Governor of Pennsylvania.

B. Establish criteria for re-entry to the Simulation Center.

1. Users of the Simulation Center staff must be screened by Employee Health Services.
2. All users of the Simulation Center will receive orientation to defined criteria and protocols.
3. Revisit and revise policy and procedure if needed to determine need to fully return to pre-disaster state.