Name of Policy: Scrubs – Authorized Use and Security
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Approving Officer: Chief Executive Officer
Responsible Agent: Director, Surgical Services, Senior Director, Supply Chain Management

Scope: University of Toledo Medical Center

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New policy proposal

Minor/technical revision of existing policy

Major revision of existing policy

Reaffirmation of existing policy

(A) Policy Statement

Scrubs will be maintained and distributed by Linen Services to departments for appropriate use by authorized personnel. Authorized personnel are those identified as Physicians, personnel or those entering the sterile core of the OR, Cath Lab, or Sterile Processing, Residents, and authorized Medical Students. Vendors, as determined by OR management, are also given access to scrubs.

(B) Purpose of Policy

To assure the availability of scrubs to all persons and areas authorized to use scrub uniforms.

(C) Procedure

- 1. Scrubs will be delivered to and kept in scrub machines. Maintaining a supply in personal lockers is not permitted.
- 2. The wearing or transporting of University of Toledo Medical Center (UTMC) scrubs offsite is forbidden and is cause for disciplinary action.
- 3. Home laundering of UTMC scrubs is not permitted. Soiled scrubs are to be returned to designated exchange lockers for pick-up and replacement by Linen Services
- 4. Scrubs are not for patient use. Other wearing apparel will be made available as needed
- 5. Marking, tearing or unauthorized disposal of scrubs constitutes misuse of hospital property.
- 6. Department heads are responsible for determining and monitoring the appropriate use of UTMC-owned scrubs within their department. In the event of a rare catastrophic event defined as employee being covered completely with contaminated fluid making it impossible for the employee to carry out their job duties, scrubs will be issued to allow employee to continue in their job duties where possible

Remember all employees must wear Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) if they anticipate there could be a spray, splash, or splatter.

7. Questions regarding scrubs will be directed to the Director, Surgical Services or the Sr. Director, Supply Chain Management.

Approved by:	Policies Superseded by This Policy: • None
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