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SUBJECT/TITLE: Medication Calculation Policy for the Undergraduate Nursing Program		PAGE: 1 of 1
RELATED POLICY: Student Learning Plan and Process Guidelines for Undergraduate Nursing Practice Courses	DATE ESTABLISHED: March 24, 2004	
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PURPOSE: To administer medications safely, nursing students need to be able to demonstrate basic math competence.

GUIDELINE: Compulsory math tests may be implemented for any/all nursing practice courses. Compulsory preparatory learning activities will be implemented prior to testing.

Mastery of 90% will need to be achieved within a specified timeframe, as stated in the course outline, prior to completion of the practice course. Students will have two opportunities to achieve 90% on any given math test. Students who do not achieve 90% after the second try will be required to meet with the Nursing Practice Course Coordinator to collaboratively develop a Learning Plan. The student will be granted a third and final attempt. Failure to achieve 90% on the final attempt will result in failure of the practice course.

PROCEDURE: This policy will be included in all applicable practice course outlines.

POINTS OF EMPHASIS: Students will complete all math requirements as indicated in the course outline and achieve 90% on related assessments. The student will not be permitted to administer medications in the clinical area until the required mastery has been achieved. The use of calculators is permitted.