RESEARCH LABORATORY POLICIES

The School of Nursing (SON) Office of Nursing Research and Scholarship (ONRS) maintains an on-site Biobehavioral Research Laboratory which consists of laboratories allocated for biological ("wet") and behavioral research. These newly renovated laboratories support research and scholarship in the School of Nursing. Management of these laboratories is the responsibility of the Office of Nursing Research and Scholarship (ONRS).

General Research Lab Policies

- 1. All activities in the School of Nursing Biobehavioral Laboratory will be conducted in accord with all UT Health Science Center procedures and policies and will be approved by either the Vice Dean for Research or the Co-Directors of Biobehavioral Laboratory.
- 2. No non-research files, supplies, furniture or other items may not be stored or moved into the Biobehavioral Laboratory. Additional furniture or equipment needed in the wet lab will be cleared through the Director of Business Operations and approved by the Co-Directors.
- 3. Bench space within the wet laboratory will be assigned by the Co-Directors of Biobehavioral/Wet Laboratory. Scheduling of the Biobehavioral Laboratory will facilitate the Manager, Center for Simulation Innovation. Ad-hoc meetings in the Biobehavioral Laboratory are permitted but need to be coordinated thru the ONRS. The Biobehavioral Laboratory space is primarily designated for research on the UT System space allocation plan, so every effort needs to be made to document use "other than research." All Laboratories will remain locked at all times.
- 4. The ONRS will be responsible for all compliance inspections, facility work orders, access control, equipment repair, procurement of new equipment, inventory control of assigned equipment.
- 5. Any piece of equipment that falls under the category of permanent equipment or supplies (excluding consumable supplies) purchased by faculty and housed in the Biobehavioral Laboratory shall be made available for use to any investigator in the School of Nursing. Training or collaboration may be required.
- 6. Appropriate training and institutionally approved protocols are required prior to initiating research and scholarship activity in the biological laboratory.
- 7. Research manuscripts or other publications submitted using data collected or analyzed with resources of the Biobehavioral Laboratory are required to acknowledge this collaboration within the acknowledgements section of the publications. The following example can be use:

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