

SCHOOL OF HEALTH SCIENCES

Laboratory Safety Requirements

The School of Health Sciences (SHS) has a number of on campus learning and teaching spaces in which nursing practical education is undertaken. These spaces are identified as laboratories (labs) by the University. The University of Tasmania is committed to ensuring that safe practice in labs is maintained.

The following safety requirements apply to all SHS students and staff participating in lab practice, in accordance with University of Tasmania Laboratory Safety Policy and Procedures.

Note: *The SHS identifies bare skin as a risk in the practice environment.*

1. Wear professional style of dress in labs, including the University of Tasmania polo top, which is worn during professional experience placement.
2. Loose fitting clothing cannot be worn.
3. Covered shoes are **compulsory**.
4. Long hair must be tied back.
5. Food or drink cannot be taken into labs.
6. Personal electronic equipment (e.g. mobile phones, iPods', video or audio recorder) are to be used for educational purposes only and as directed by the lecturer.
7. Children cannot enter labs.
8. Participants must act in a safe respectful manner towards each other.
9. The lab environment and equipment must be treated with care and respect.
10. Any incident or injury or safety hazard must be reported.
11. The SHS staff member who is supervising the practical activity has the right to remove any person from the lab at any time.
12. Persons removed must leave the lab immediately upon the request of the SHS supervising staff member.