

**Metropolitan Community College-Penn Valley – HSI**  
**Physical Therapist Assistant Program**  
**Clinical Policy**  
**Patient Confidentiality, Use of Information and Informed Consent**

1. Students are required to successfully complete a HIPAA written examination prior to clinicals and sign a confidentiality statement prior to clinicals
2. Students must inform patients that they are students and ask permission to participate in their care. Students must wear a MCC-Penn Valley ID that designates they are a student.
3. Students will respect a patient's right to refuse.
4. Students must follow HIPAA rules.
5. Students must seek a patient's consent in writing if utilizing photographs or video of the patient or other protected information
6. When presenting case history information, all identifying information must be removed.
7. Students must ask permission of the department director when making copies of exercise programs, protocols or other departmental procedures that is the property of the facility.
8. Clinical instructors must discuss information about the student's performance only with those individuals having a stake in that student's performance.