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**IMPACT OF SCRUB COLOR ON INITIAL BLOOD PRESSURE MEASUREMENT IN A FAMILY PRACTICE CLINIC (B1).** Elizabeth Bennett. Joe Smith. Sunrise Medical Center, Western Town, US (EBennett@Sunrise.org) IRB approved.

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The study objective was to determine if scrub color impacts the initial blood pressure reading obtained by the clinic LPN. All patients seen at the Sunrise Family Clinic have an initial blood pressure checked by the clinic LPN after they check in. The blood pressure reading is recorded on the clinic visit sheet that the family practice resident will utilize for the visit note. The scrubs selected were a medium pink and a medium blue, were monochromatic and did not have a pattern. Several uniforms were purchased in each color. The LPN was to wear the pink scrubs for each consecutive day for one week of the month and then the blue scrubs for another week the same month. The other days of the month the LPN could wear any scrubs other than the pink and blue study scrubs. The study period was 3 months. Inclusion criteria was age greater than 18. Patients were excluded if they were color blind. All initial blood pressure readings were collected. Three groups were analyzed: pink scrubs, blue scrubs, other scrubs. The readings in the three groups were compared using an ANOVA. Results and conclusions will be presented.

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