Seizure Safety

The student will talk with each instructor about his/her seizure disorder and discuss the following:

1) What happens when the student has a seizure and how often do they occur
2) The student and the instructor will decide how best to educate the class so they are aware of what may happen
3) A volunteer note taker will be identified the first week of class to take notes for the student when he/she is unable to do so
4) The student should have preferential seating so that he/she is seated on the perimeter of the classroom, and can get to the open area

The instructor will call 911 at the first sign of a seizure. If the instructor is not using a campus phone, they will follow the 911 call with a call to Campus Security at ext. 2250 so they can direct the medics to the appropriate building.

Helpful Hints:

1) Stay calm
2) Move objects away from student
3) Turn student on side to keep airway clear unless injury exists
4) Do not attempt to hold or restrain student
5) Place clothing or other soft material under the student’s head
6) Do not place anything in mouth
7) Remember the student may be irritable, tired, and cranky following a seizure, so make a special effort to be calm and reassuring afterwards

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