



MEMORANDUM

TO: All Nursing and Health students enrolled in and participating in clinicals, fieldwork, externships or internships in a health care or clinic setting

FROM: Laura Polk, Dean School of Science and Health
Kelly Winters, Executive Director of Workforce Development

DATE: December 13, 2021

RE: College of Southern Maryland Required COVID-19 Vaccination

Maintaining a safe working and learning environment is part of our college community's social contract. To ensure our common safety in response to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, the College of Southern Maryland is requiring that students be fully vaccinated against COVID-19, with the exception of individuals with approved exemptions.

This college requirement is separate from any requirements that may be in place for students to attend clinicals, fieldwork, externships or internships in a health care or clinic setting (Clinical). Students should follow the college's direction for providing documentation of COVID-19 vaccination or to request an exemption. In addition, students should follow health program directions for submitting the required documentation to attend Clinical.

Students will be submitting college documentation to CastleBranch.

Students will also separately be submitting Clinical and health program documentation to CastleBranch.

Pay close attention to the TWO different sets of directions.

Please note that the Clinical Site may not accept an exemption granted by the College, which may preclude successful course and program completion. Students enrolled in a course taking place at an offsite location must comply with the Clinical Site's policies, procedures, rules and regulations regarding vaccination and testing for COVID-19. If a student does not comply with the Clinical Site's rules, the student may be unable to participate in the course at the Clinical Site location and will possibly have to withdraw or fail the course. Individuals may need to withdraw from a health program if they cannot meet the clinical requirements. **The college is not responsible for decisions made by Clinical entities as a result of COVID-19 vaccination requirements.**

Individuals may be able to request an exemption or accommodation directly from the Clinical Site if available. If denied by the Clinical Site, the individual may not be permitted to go to the Clinical Site.

The College will not consider requests for exemption or accommodation to the Clinical Site's rules. The College will also not consider student requests to change site locations based on vaccination and/or testing requirements of the Clinical Site.

The college will not be responsible for any tuition, fees or other costs that may be charged or paid or lost due to decisions made by the Clinical site.



Please direct questions about these requirements to the appropriate health program contact:

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