COVID PROTOCOLS FOR MD STUDENTS

• ALL OF THE INFORMATION BELOW APPLIES REGARDLESS OF a) WHETHER OR NOT YOU ARE ENROLLED IN THE SURVEILLANCE PROGRAM AND/OR b) WHETHER OR NOT YOU HAVE BEEN VACCINATED FOR COVID.

• THESE PROTOCOLS ARE EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 15, 2021. IF MODIFIED, THIS DOCUMENT WILL BE UPDATED AND DISTRIBUTED.

FOR THE CLASSES OF 2024 AND 2023 (CLASS OF 2023 THROUGH MAY 1, 2021)

IF YOU COME TO CAMPUS AT ALL, FOLLOW THESE STEPS

IF YOU HAVE SYMPTOMS, AN EXPOSURE, OR A POSITIVE COVID TEST:

• Contact Colonial Health Center (CHC)
• IF you received a COVID vaccine and are not sure if your symptoms are from the vaccine, call CHC before filling out the symptom tracker.
• If you need to miss any time from school, let Dean Goldberg know.
• Once cleared by CHC, CHC will provide a clearance letter which should be forwarded to Dean Goldberg in order for you to return to campus/class.
• If you have a positive test, a medical provider from CHC will contact you regarding medical care and then Campus COVID Support Team (CCST will call you for contact tracing.

FOR CLASSES OF 2021, 2022 AND 2023 (CLASS OF 2023 BEGINNING MAY 1, 2021)

IF YOU ARE ILL HAVE ANY SYMPTOMS:

• Contact Colonial Health Center (CHC).
• IF you received a COVID vaccine and are not sure if your symptoms are from the vaccine, call CHC.
• If you need to miss any time from rotations, let your rotation director and Dean Goldberg know.
• Once cleared by CHC, CHC will provide a clearance letter which should be forwarded to your rotation director and Dean Goldberg. You may also need to provide it to the Occ Health Office at your site if not GW.
IF YOU HAVE BEEN TOLD YOU HAD AN EXPOSURE AT A CLINICAL SITE OR DURING PERSONAL TIME:

- Contact Occupational Health (Occ Health)
- If exposure is deemed to be significant, Occ Health will advise (possible quarantine, testing) and provide clearance letter when appropriate.
- If COVID test is positive, Occ Health will conduct contact tracing and CHC will provide clinical care and a clearance letter when appropriate.

IF YOU HAVE A POSITIVE COVID TEST THROUGH GW/CHC:

- CHC will monitor you and provide a clearance letter when appropriate.
- Occ Health will contact you for contact tracing.

IF YOU HAVE A POSITIVE COVID TEST AT AN OUTSIDE FACILITY:

- Contact CHC who will advise regarding isolation and medical care.
- Let your rotation director and Dean Goldberg know.
- CHC will provide a clearance letter when appropriate which should be forwarded to your rotation director and Dean Goldberg.
- CHC will inform Occ Health who will conduct contact tracing.

FOR ALL STUDENTS

IF YOU ARE TRAVELING OUTSIDE OF DMV:

Complete the attached travel form if you are traveling outside of the DMV **UNLESS YOU ARE FULLY VACCINATED (FULLY VACCINATED = 2 WEEKS AFTER 2ND DOSE OF 2 DOSE VACCINE OR 2 WEEKS AFTER 1 DOSE VACCINE) AND YOUR RETURN TO THE DMV IS WITHIN 90 DAYS OF BEING FULLY VACCINATED.**

If you leave the DMV and travel to any state or country and you are not fully vaccinated, or if has been more than 90 days since you were fully vaccinated, you will need to get a PCR COVID test upon return, isolate for 3-5 days and test again. Two negative tests are required to return to campus/class/rotations. Tests can be done at University Lab or outside facility (unless you are in the Surveillance Program – then test must be done at Univ Lab). Submit your test results to Occ Health through the portal/email or to CCST. Also let Dean Goldberg know they were completed and negative so that you may return to your course/clinical work and/or campus buildings.

NOTE: Submitting a Travel Form is not a request, nor does it grant permission, for absence from a course or clerkship. It simply documents travel and return requirements.
GENERAL INFORMATION/CONTACT INFORMATION

COLONIAL HEALTH CENTER 202-994-5300

OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH 202-677-6230  GWOCHEALTH@MFA.GWU.EDU

TRAVEL FORM:

If you have campus access issues or questions:

MS1 or MS2 students contact CCST at CCST@gwu.edu

MS3, MS4 in clinical rotations, contact Occ Health.

Most questions and issues related to campus access, testing and test results should be submitted through the COVID-19 campus assistance portal

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=niOJ1pLExkCzkSxZUdMdFIWb74WQB7RNiHsrTQ9e_fZUN0JOUzJSN0U3SUZTVkNSRFpHRUszN1g1Qi4u

You may also direct questions about test scheduling and test results to the lab directly at PHL@gwu.edu