

COVID-19 Pandemic: Important Nursing Student and Faculty Updates

We are pleased to continue to have students throughout our organization. We remain mindful of the safety of those within our facilities, including students and faculty who participate in learning experiences. Currently, we will be continuing the following processes:

Symptom Screening

Students should complete the symptom monitoring and attestation form daily. ***A form can be found on each nursing unit. Students may use the same form as PRMCE caregivers.*** Instructors or preceptors should ensure this is completed and should be done at the unit level with their preceptor.

Badging

The badge request process will remain the same. When reporting to pick up your badge, enter the hospital via the Emergency Department entrance. ***The learner or clinical instructor must present the ID badge from their learning institution to security or screener on duty.*** Please let them know that you are coming in to be badged for a clinical rotation.

Additional Precautions

Universal masking is in place. ***You must obtain a mask upon entry to the building from the screener or security guard on duty.*** Students observed not wearing a mask will be asked to leave the clinical site.

N95s are recommended for caregivers who provide direct patient care. For caregivers outside of patient care areas, an isolation mask should be worn when outside a private office. If you are in a shared space, open space, or within 6ft of someone else, you must be masked. Please move at least 6ft away from others when removing mask for eating and drinking.

Capacity for clinical experiences may be limited and current placements may be adjusted or cancelled.

What PPE do I need to wear?

- COVID+/PUI/Quarantine: fit tested N95+ eye protection, gown, and gloves.
- COVID Negative, Receiving AGP (Aerosol-Generating Procedures): fit tested N95 +eye protection.
- Unknown COVID status: fit tested N95 +eye protection.

- For the non-COVID/non-AGP/non-isolation, N95s are recommended, but eye protection is still required.
- N95s are required on Covid outbreak units until the outbreak is over.