STCC COVID-19 PCR Surveillance Testing Requirement

Affiliating students who have been granted a medical or religious COVID-19 vaccine exemption by the College must comply with the following, in addition to wearing a surgical mask and eye protection while on the clinical fieldwork site:

- Obtain the proper test: SARS CoV2 RT-PCR. Rapid testing is not acceptable. On campus testing is a guaranteed acceptable test.
- Test weekly with no more than 7 days apart starting the week PRIOR TO clinical start. If the weekly schedule is disrupted, must test 72 hours prior to clinical day. Plan in accordance with consideration for weather-related/unforeseen closures.
- Test continuously throughout the remainder of the 2021-2022 academic year including holidays and intersessions.
- Testing must be completed on campus. Off campus testing is NOT accepted unless it is performed at a Stop the Spread location or the lab report result documentation states it is a RT-PCR test.
- In the rare occasion when a SARS CoV2 RT-PCR test results is obtained off campus, it must be successfully uploaded to the HEALTH AND WELLNESS CENTER - STCCNet Portal Page / Drop Box prior to attending clinical fieldwork.
- Verify test results to allow time for NEXT DAY retest when the result is "TNP/Invalid Specimen" or "Inconclusive"/Presumed POSITIVE.
- Have a copy of negative results readily available for on campus/Program and fieldwork site request (Required by and not limited to: STCC Dental Hygiene Clinic, All Long term care facilities, Encompass, Franklin Medical Center).
- NEVER assume you can STOP TESTING. You MUST TEST CONTINUOUSLY even over holiday and break periods. A surveillance exemption notice email must be received from the Director of Health Compliance in order to stop or pause testing.
- DO NOT make any assumptions about testing. If unsure, please contact the Director of Health Compliance for clarification. Once a weekly/7 day testing schedule has been disrupted, it may resume starting with a 72 hour test followed by a weekly schedule thereafter.
- CONTINUE TO TEST until the week following your last clinical day. Rationale: If positive, STCC is obligated to notify the clinical affiliation site and STCC Covid-19 manager in order to conduct contract tracing.
- If tested positive in the past 90 days, contact the STCC Director of Health Compliance for additional guidance.
- You will be removed from clinical fieldwork for failing to comply with the weekly surveillance testing requirement or failing to report unprotected covid-19 exposures or symptoms of covid-19.
- You understand that the terms and conditions of this surveillance testing agreement are subject to change. Any changes to this will be communicated accordingly.