

Practical Nursing Program Health and Safety Documentation

Ensuring you meet your school's health and safety documentation requirements is mandatory for you to fully participate in your program of study. Please note that the costs of completing these requirements are the responsibility of the student.

Requirements Submission Due Date

Students are required to have their documentation submitted prior to the start of the next semester. For example, students currently in semester 1 are preparing for semester 2. If you begin **semester 1** in January 2024 your first due date is **April 15** so that you are prepared for placement in semester 2 during Spring 2024.

Requirements Submission Due Dates

Students who will study in semester 2, 3, 4 or 5 during:	Due Date
Fall	August 15
Winter	December 15
Spring	April 15

What do I need to do?



Make an appointment with your health care provider or at the Campus Health Centre (905.721.3037) to begin the Entry Immunization Form process.



Order your criminal reference check with vulnerable sector screening



Book your CPR- level C training



After you have registered, visit the ADVI 0003 course on DC Connect and complete the online training modules



Ensure you have completed all required forms



Book your online verification appointment with Synergy

Requirements Checklist

Review this checklist to ensure you have everything you need before booking your verification appointment. Please use the links to access the form or more information

- [Entry Immunization Form \(EIF\)](#)
- CPR Level C courses will only be accepted if the course is WSIB approved. CPR remains valid for one year from date of issue, regardless of expiry date and must be re-certified annually.
- Criminal Reference Check with Vulnerable Sector Screening Must be within 6 months of the issue date
- [Informed Consent for the Release of Personal Information](#)
- WSIB [Student Declaration of Understanding Form](#)
- [N95 Mask Fit Test](#) Once completed it is valid for 2 years
- [Lakeridge COVID 19 Attestation](#)
- [Lakeridge Health Statement of Confidentiality](#)
- [HSPnet Consent form](#)

- Online Training Modules (**Accessed via DC Connect after you have completed the required course registrations for your program**)
 - Workplace Hazardous Materials Information (WHMIS) Module Completion certificate
 - Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities (AODA) Module Completion certificate
 - Workplace Violence and Harassment Prevention Module Completion Certificate
 - Worker Health & Safety Awareness in 4 Steps Module Completion Certificate
 - Diversity Module Completion (please screen shot your last page to send into Synergy)

- Seven (7) Public Health Ontario - Infection Prevention and Control (IPAC) Core Competencies online training modules as follows: *Access to these modules is available through the Public Health Ontario website; you will find the IPAC guide and access link in your DC Connect ADVI course after registration. Once you have successfully completed the online module as indicated below, please print the completion certificate to upload to your profile on Verified.*
 - 1. Occupational Health & Safety
 - 2. Chain of Transmission & Risk Assessment
 - 3. Health Care Provider Controls
 - 4. Control of the Environment
 - 5. Administrative Controls
 - 6. Additional Precautions
 - 7. Hand Hygiene Module – annual renewal required (A fee is associated with the Hand Hygiene certificate)

Additional Information Health and Safety Documentation

Don't forget to look in DC Connect for the ADVI – Health Sciences course to easily access all information and documents. You will have access to this course after you register for your courses

Helpful tips

Criminal Reference Check (CRC) with Vulnerable Sector Search (VSS)

- **Obtain this through your local policing website** (for example, if you live in Durham Region, visit the Durham Regional Police).
- If your police service has separate applications for the CRC and VSC, you only need to apply for the VSC.
- You will have access to the student letters required for this once you have registered for your courses. It will be in your ADVI course on DC Connect.
- If you live in Toronto, apply for the VSC online. Please review the following link for further information: <https://www.tps.ca/services/police-record-checks>. The agency code you will need to provide is: 202309TPSON0D23E.
- CRC/VSC is valid for 6 months from the date of issue. It must remain valid for the entire duration of your placement period.
- This can take several weeks to arrive so please ensure you apply at least two months before your due date.
- **Other locations within Ontario** – Apply to the police service responsible for your home area and use the letter found in DC Connect
- **International students** - Students must be residing in Canada before requesting a CRC/VSS.

Entry Immunization Form

- This process can take several weeks to complete so please begin completing this form *before* the first day of classes
- Please view the form carefully. Supplying your yellow immunization tracking card is not sufficient documentation
- Bring the form to your health care provider for completion
- Support from the medical team at the Campus Health Centre is available by calling 905-721-3037

CPR-C

- CPR-C certification is only valid for **one year from the date of issue** regardless of when it says it expires. Check your certification issue date
- Training must be provided through a WSIB-approved trainer (<https://www.wsib.ca/en/providers-approved-deliver-emergency-and-standard-first-aid>) which mandates an in-person or blended training.
- There is training available throughout Durham Region several times a week.

Training Modules

- Access to training modules is in the ADVI – Health Sciences “course” on DC Connect and the Ontario Public Health website. You will be enrolled in the ADVI course after registering for your courses to access more information.

Synergy Gateway

What is Synergy?

Synergy Gateway (Synergy) is a third-party system which eliminates the need for you to attend an in-person appointment to have your health and safety documentation reviewed. You submit all of your clinic/field placement required documentation from the comfort of your home to their website and book a virtual appointment. Always keep your original documents. You may be asked to present the original documentation at any time. Some field placement hosts like to have copies of these documents in their files.

Required Documents for My Program

- Most of these documents are a requirement of the Occupational Health and Safety Act of Ontario to not only be able to participate in placement/clinical, but also for your future employment in the industry
- Ensuring you meet your requirements is mandatory for you to proceed in your chosen program
- Visit the [Faculty of Health Sciences](#) webpage to see the requirements specific to your program. You can also view this information in Synergy. Some programs require these for participation in clinics/labs and others only require them for field placement. Know the deadline for your program.

Accessing Synergy

- Synergy is available through a secure username and password.
- Login instructions are emailed to your DC Mail account within 48 hours (2 business days) from the time you register for your courses.
- If you cannot locate this information in your general inbox, then please check your junk/spam folder. If you still can't find your login credentials, please open a Help Desk ticket by visiting www.synergyhelps.com.
- To log into Synergy, go to: <https://verified.sgappserver.com/>

Booking Your Electronic Verification Review (ERV) Appointment:

- Confirm that you have received login credentials from Synergy.
- Review your program's specific health and safety requirements along with due dates. Your program's information is available on the college's [website](#)
- Once you have ensured that all requirements have been uploaded to your Synergy profile, you may book your virtual appointment in Synergy.
- Synergy will send you an email 48-72 hours (2 to 3 business days) after your appointment with a status update. Be sure to book your appointment prior to the due date.
- To avoid paying additional appointment fees, ensure all of your documentation has been uploaded **prior** to booking your appointment. Each appointment incurs a fee.
- If you are notified by Synergy your documents were not approved, please correct the issue and upload the correction to Synergy. Please put a ticket into the help desk to notify them your documents are ready for review.

Synergy Fees

- The fee schedule can be found at Synergy Gateway, <https://verified.sgappserver.com/> top right corner, school information.
- To avoid booking multiple appointments and paying for each one throughout the year we strongly suggest that you check each semester for upcoming documentation expirations.
- You can update expiring Vulnerable Sector Screening (VSS) documents free of charge before other documentation expires. The free update will only be honored if your status does not change to "expired".
- Once you have uploaded your new VSS, ***you need to place a helpdesk ticket to have it processed.*** If you are renewing other documents at the same time, you will need to book an appointment.