

Dear Practical Nursing Students,

Re: Synergy Lakeridge Health Maskfit Update

Please be advised that effective immediately, any students in the PN PNFL PNIE programs from semester 1 - 4 will need to provide proof of their N95 mask fit test completed through Lakeridge health to Synergy Gateway Verified.

If students do not provide this when they book their ESPC appointments, a fail status will be issued and students will have to book a follow-up appointment through Synergy.

To arrange for your Lakeridge Health Maskfit Test:

Lakeridge Health Occupational Health & Safety Department has informed Durham College that going forward all **new** clinical (patient-facing) placement students are required to complete **N95 Respirator Fit-Testing** at Lakeridge Health.

Please book your appointment via this link:

<https://outlook.office365.com/owa/calendar/N95FitTesting1@lh.ca/bookings/>

There is currently NO charge for these tests and is valid for two years.

Maskfit testing MUST be completed before your first placement date. Please book this asap as dates are filling up quickly.

Students will receive both a sticker for their ID badge denoting date and model and a fit test card. Student names, school, date of the test, and N95 model are all recorded in a document kept by Occupational Health at Lakeridge Health.

Please be aware that you will not be able to attend clinical placement at Lakeridge Health if this is not completed.

Thank you for your time.

School of Health and Community Services

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