

**Addendum: Respiratory Virus Policy
Including but not limited to influenza, RSV, and COVID-19**

HEMSPN will follow the CDC guidelines for respiratory infections such as influenza, RSV, and COVID-19.

Students will follow the policies and procedures of each clinical facility in regards to testing and masking.

CLASSROOM and LAB: ILLNESS AND FEVER

If the student has a fever (100.4 or greater), the student must stay home and call the office and speak to the Director or Associate Director.

- A. The student may return to school if:
 - 1. The student is fever free for 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medication, **and**
 - 2. Symptoms are getting better overall, **and**
 - 3. The student will wear a mask for the first 5 days back to school

CLINICAL: ILLNESS AND FEVER

Students with symptoms of any respiratory illness must take a COVID-19 test before clinical:

- A. If COVID-19 test is **negative**, student may return to clinical if:
 - 1. The student is fever free for 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medication, **and**
 - 2. Symptoms are getting better overall, **and**
 - 3. The student will wear a mask for the first 5 days back to clinical

- B. If COVID-19 test is **positive**, the student may return to clinical if:
 - 1. At least 7 days have passed since start of symptoms, **and**
 - 2. Had a negative test on day 5-7, **and**
 - 3. The student is fever free for 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medication, **and**
 - 4. Symptoms have improved, **and**
 - 4. The student will wear a mask for the first 5 days back to clinical

- C. If test is **positive** at day 6, may return at day 10
 - 1. The student will wear a mask for the first 5 days back in clinical

COVID-19 rapid testing must be performed at a testing site such as a pharmacy, clinic etc. The test results must be turned in to Director or Associate Director.

All testing including COVID-19, influenza, RSV, strep etc. are at the student's expense.

HEMSPN reserves the right to require a note from a healthcare provider of actual illness.

Sources: <https://www.cdc.gov/respiratory-viruses/prevention/precautions-when-sick.html>
<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/hcp/guidance-risk-assesment-hcp.html>
<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/symptoms-testing/symptoms.html>

Print Name

Student Signature

Date

Witness Signature

Date