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Re: Field Placement and COVID-19

Dear Social Work Student,

We are pleased to welcome you to the new 2020-2021 academic year; we are continuing to work to support a successful year. While the governor's executive order required that those who can work at home must do so, many of our agency partners have been and continue to design their programming to meet client needs while adhering to state and federal guidelines. How agencies are delivering services varies widely, dependent on client/patient and community needs. As social work student interns, you are assigned to agencies that are critical to our communities and citizens. **Your role is vital and so is your safety!**

Many agencies are instituting protocols to ensure your safety as well as agency staff and clients; some are using WSU process which requires that before reporting to your field placement site or to be on WSU Campus, you will complete [Warrior Safe](#) training as well as the [daily screening questionnaire](#) in accordance with the Wayne County Department of Health, Human, and Veterans Services directive Local Public Health Emergency Order #20-02. This will help ensure your safety and the safety of others who may come in contact with you or share the same workspace.

You should call the Campus Health Center (CHC) at 313-577-5041 to notify them if you are experiencing symptoms or you have traveled internationally recently. The CHC is available 24/7 for assistance.

Your health and safety remain a priority for us. While you are on campus, please practice all of the social distancing and other precautionary measures prescribed by the CDC. If you have any questions or concerns about your field placement, please talk with your Field Instructor, Faculty Field Liaison or Academic Advisor. The Office of Field Education is also available to help and support you: 313-577-4446 or field_education@wayne.edu.

Thank you for your commitment to the social work profession, to helping those in need and to strengthening our communities. We remain Warrior Strong!

Sincerely,

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