

COVID-19 ORIENTATION GUIDELINES AND EXPECTATIONS FOR STUDENTS AND BCEHS PRECEPTORS AND INSTRUCTORS

This summary is to provide guidance and resources for all schools with practice education activities placed within BC Emergency Health Services during the COVID-19 Pandemic. For questions or concerns, please connect with your preceptor, area Paramedic Practice Educator, school contacts and/or academic practice leads.

It is **essential** that Instructors and Preceptors supporting students are familiar with the current BCEHS policies, practices and guidelines. Please review the [Practice Education Guideline – Communicable Disease Outbreak](#). We also recommend the review of the most recent [PHSA COVID-19 updates](#).

Preparing for your Practicum

1. **Review BCEHS – PPE Changes for COVID-19** on the Learning Hub for new and updated policies.
2. **Complete** the [COVID-19 Self-Screening Assessment Tool](#) daily, prior to start of a shift.
 - **If you answer YES to any screening question, please stay home. The practicum is temporarily suspended.**
 - Absences should be reported to Post-Secondary Institution (PSI) Faculty and Instructor as well as the BCEHS Preceptor and program Paramedic Practice Educator, if applicable (BCEHS orientation programs).
 - For concerns regarding the self-screening process visit the resources listed below.
3. **Dress Code:** Have a change of clothes to travel to and from work at the end of a shift. Please wash your work clothes daily between shifts.
4. **If you become symptomatic** while on-site, please leave the practice setting immediately.
 - Notify your Preceptor and the PSI Faculty and Instructor.

Additional Resources

- **COVID-19 Staff Testing Site:** <http://www.phsa.ca/staff-resources/covid-19-resources-for-staff/staff-covid-19-testing>
- **PHSA Staff Resources** for [COVID-19](#)
- **PHSA COVID-19 Resource Line (for workplace health questions):** 1-833-875-2155 or 604-875-2155
Staffed by nurses 7 days/week, 7am to 7pm
- **Psychosocial Support:**
 - Workplace Wellness has information on psychological support and self-care resources for staff at: [Workplace Wellness: Coping during COVID-19 page](#).

BCEHS COVID-19 Learning Hub Resources

REQUIRED

- BCEHS – COVID 19 Response Curriculum**
 - BCEHS – Updates in the Context of COVID 19
 - BCEHS – PPE Changes for COVID-19
 - BCEHS – Role of the Dofficer

RECOMMENDED

- BCEHS – Why Quarantine: A Presentation of COVID-19