



## **Lakeview College of Nursing**

### **COVID-19 Clinical Education Policy**

Lakeview College of Nursing has been closely monitoring the impact of the coronavirus (COVID-19) and the variants on healthcare education. Action plans are being carried out to keep students, faculty, and staff safe. Clinical sites are enacting plans that may impact clinical education and site placements.

In developing a plan to keep students, staff, and faculty safe, while still providing quality education and experience to its students, Lakeview College of Nursing has taken into account institutional policies; accrediting body standards and required elements of accreditation; local, state, and federal regulations; and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) and the Illinois Department of Public Health's (IDPH) guidance on the spread of COVID-19.

Lakeview College of Nursing College remains committed to supporting each student in safely meeting the requirements necessary to become a healthcare professional. In that light, Lakeview shall continue to offer Clinical Education to its students, but, given the risk presented by COVID-19, Lakeview shall allow students an opportunity to refuse clinical studies at this time without risking removal from the program.



### **Clinical Education Risk Acknowledgement**

I, the undersigned student of Lakeview College of Nursing understand, in light of the current climate, that education in the nursing program at Lakeview College of Nursing includes clinical work performed in hospitals or other clinical facilities, and that, in the course of participating in clinical work, I may participate in the direct care of, and possible exposure to, patients with a variety of illnesses and diseases, including COVID-19. I understand that working in a healthcare environment may include handling of and/or contact with human bodily fluids, secretions, tissues, and or wounds. I understand that as a result of this, I may be exposed to disease carrying microorganisms. I also understand that some facilities may have their specific guidelines that I must follow during my clinical placement regarding direct care of and possible exposure to patients with a variety of illnesses and diseases. I understand that the Lakeview College of Nursing College is following the CDC and IDPH guidance. I attest that I will follow CDC and IDPH guidelines and notify the appropriate personnel per my program guidelines if I am feeling ill with a fever or respiratory symptoms. I understand and acknowledge that, despite taking all preventative measures, there is a potential risk of illness and disease, including COVID 19 exposure, during clinical work.

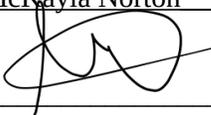
I understand that I have the right to refuse my clinical assignment at this time. I also understand that successful completion of the required clinical experience, including the achievement of specific performance criteria and clinical hours, is required for graduation from the Lakeview College of Nursing College program. I understand that refusing my clinical assignment at this time will not result in my removal from the program, but shall result in a withdrawal from the course and will delay graduation from the program.

With full knowledge of the risks of illness and disease, I elect to (initial one)

Participate in my assigned clinical courses

Refuse current placement in my assigned clinical courses

Name: McKayla Norton Date: 1/11/22

Signature:  \_\_\_\_\_

**Submit a copy of the signed form to [Becky@lakeviewcol.edu](mailto:Becky@lakeviewcol.edu) by **January 12, 2022**.**