

Important Message to Health Sciences students and faculty regarding COVID-19 Vaccination

The Division of Health Sciences is aware of the current trajectory of the COVID-19 variant infection rates and how it may impact our programs. We are closely monitoring the infection rate and we will continue to follow and adhere to the guidelines set forth by Governor Kemp and the Technical College System of Georgia (TCSG).

The college and the division of health sciences are not requiring COVID-19 vaccinations at this time for on-campus training nor are we asking individuals to disclose whether or not they have received or plan to receive the COVID-19 vaccination. We are encouraging CGTC faculty, staff, and students to receive vaccination against COVID, and will offer the vaccine on campus free of charge on designated dates.

Please be aware, however, that we have received notice that some of our partner clinical sites are requiring trainees, students/visiting students, members of the medical staff, temporary workers, and volunteer staff, among others, to complete their COVID-19 vaccine series or have an approved medical or religious exemption. Each clinical/practicum site reserves the right to deny a student entry based on their own policies and procedures. If a student does not have all required immunizations and tests, the student may have limited access to clinical/practicum sites, which may delay or prevent program completion. As a result, successful completion of the program may not be possible.

Students are required to follow the medical clearance policies designated by their assigned clinical sites. Our faculty, who train students in clinical settings, will also continue to adhere to our clinical partner's policies and guidelines. CGTC will continue to monitor these requirements, as they may be subject to change.

This message is intended to provide information and recommendations and not set specific policies on vaccinations and/or testing. Under Georgia law, neither Central Georgia Technical College nor the Technical College System of Georgia assume any liability for inherent risks related to COVID-19, to include any adverse reactions that may occur as a result of vaccines and/or testing.