



UMB RECOVERY TASK FORCE

May 14, 2021

The [University of Maryland, Baltimore \(UMB\) Recovery website](#) has been revamped with some new features.

One feature pins important information to the top of feeds on the website. It helps to quickly find updated information on requirements, mandates, and return to campus information that will continue to be updated this summer.

The Return to Campus guide has its own [webpage](#), too. This takes information from the PDF to create a web-friendly portal for information that students and employees need to know this summer. An updated PDF guide is in the works for June that includes comprehensive changes.

The [Campus Facilities, Cleaning, and Disinfecting page](#) has a revamped focus to include physical distancing, capacity, and other information about campus buildings in addition to the existing cleaning and disinfecting information.

Suggestion/question forms also have been consolidated. There is now a single form to [ask your question](#) about the Return to Campus, vaccines, or the Recovery website.

Thanks to your feedback, we were able to make these changes to better serve the UMB community.

This week's highlights detailed below:

- Vaccination Mandate Updates

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Plan Ahead — 1st Vaccine By July 1
You need your final vaccine dose by Aug. 2.




GetTheVaccineBaltimore.org

Vaccination Mandate Updates

Don't wait until it's too late: Plan ahead!

To meet the terms of the University System of Maryland (USM) COVID-19 vaccination mandate, UMB employees and students should plan to have your final dose — whether one-shot or two-shot — administered by **Aug. 2**. Target July 1 for the first dose.



Vaccine Available for 12 and Up

Children 12 years old and up can now receive a dose of the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine at the UMB Vaccination Clinic.

A parent or legal guardian must accompany anyone under age 18.

Walk-up slots are available Thursday through Saturday from 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. for:

A list of FAQs about the vaccine requirements is available on the [COVID-19 Vaccine page](#).

The **medical and religious exemption** process can be [viewed online](#). The submission link and forms will be made available starting Tuesday, May 18. An email to the UMB community will be sent with more information.

Please consult with your dean or vice president concerning your specific return to campus processes.

- UMB students and employees
- Native Americans and tribal agency employees
- Baltimore City residents, workers, and students
- Baltimore metro area residents

For a walk-up vaccination, please go to 601 W. Lombard St., Baltimore, MD 21201.

This includes all students, faculty, and staff of UMB, as well as alumni, family members, friends, and neighbors.

Appointments can be made by going to our one-stop website for the clinic, [GetTheVaccineBaltimore.org](https://www.getthevaccinebaltimore.org), or by calling 410-706-3000 weekdays between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.



UMB Face Coverings Policy Revised

Consistent with state of Maryland and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidance, UMB no longer requires masks and face coverings be worn outdoors with the following exception: Masks are still required for outdoor gatherings where attendees will be in fixed seating for more than 15 minutes and for which 6 feet of physical distancing cannot be sustained.

Also, while indoors, you do not need to wear a face covering if you are **alone** in an office, cubicle, laboratory, or study area. (A closed door is no longer required.)

Visit [this link](#) for the entire policy and the [Face Coverings page](#) for quick reminders.

UMB is aware that [city](#) and [state](#) orders and [CDC guidance](#) are rapidly evolving. The University will review those changes when made available to consider what updates are appropriate for the UMB community at that time.



URecFit and Wellness Reopening June 1

URecFit and Wellness is excited to announce its staged reopening plan over the next several weeks. URecFit and Wellness will reopen to current UMB students and UMB graduates of 2020 and 2021 on June 1.

Graduates must [submit a form](#) if they wish to activate their free alumni membership.

If COVID-19 metrics continue to improve and capacity allows, URecFit anticipates reopening to all other eligible members July 1. We look forward to welcoming you back. Updates and information will be [posted here](#), and a full reopening plan will be communicated by May 24.



Domestic Travel Policy Effective June 1

On June 1, UMB will permit the resumption of domestic business travel. UMB travelers must be fully vaccinated for COVID-19 in accordance with USM's vaccination policy and follow current CDC domestic travel guidance. Currently this requires domestic travelers who are fully vaccinated against COVID-19 to self-monitor for symptoms, wear a mask, and take other COVID-19 safety precautions.

If a UMB traveler has an approved medical or religious vaccination exemption, they must follow CDC guidance for nonvaccinated travelers. For more information, read the [updated policy](#).



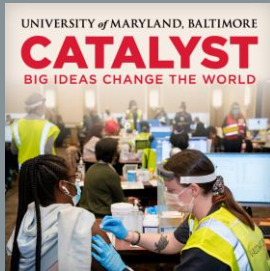
Pop-Up Pantry Set for May 22

The Pop-Up Pantry service is designed to deliver shelf-stable groceries to students within the current UMB Safe Ride neighborhoods. A 30-pound box of shelf-stable groceries will be left at the doorstep of students in the eligible neighborhood.

The next Pop-up Pantry is scheduled for Saturday, May 22, from noon to 3 p.m.

[Click here](#) to complete the grocery delivery request form.

For neighborhoods and more information, visit [this post](#).



Spring Issue of *CATALYST* Magazine

The spring 2021 issue of *UMB's CATALYST magazine* takes a special focus on the ways that the UMB community is making an impact during the pandemic.

This issue highlights how students are receiving invaluable hands-on experience preparing COVID-19 vaccines and vaccinating patients at the SMC Campus Center as well as the important COVID-19 research being done across all of our schools.



COVID-19 Vaccine Is 'Nothing to Be Afraid Of'

Stanley Kriel, 90, recently received the COVID-19 vaccine to protect himself after his daughter signed him up for an appointment.

"I'm getting the vaccine because I didn't want to get the virus. My daughter is a respiratory therapist, and she's also the one who signed us all up. The shot is nothing to be afraid of,

really," he said.

Share your experience getting vaccinated by tagging us [@umbaltimore](#) and using [#UMBVaccinesWork](#) on Twitter or Instagram. Include a sentence or two about why you got the vaccine. You also can submit your photos and comments about your vaccine experience by clicking [here](#).



Share COVID Data in One Click

Faculty, staff, and students can share their COVID-19 tests and vaccination information in one click.

The *Chesapeake Regional Information System for our Patients (CRISP) waiver form* provides clinical and occupational health staff at UMB with this information, helping

reduce form fatigue.

CRISP shares information from other facilities within Maryland. Out-of-state testing results and vaccination information will likely still have to be entered in SAFE on Campus or the [UMB Vaccination Form](#).

University of Maryland School of Nursing students will continue to upload information into CastleBranch because the school needs immunization records in one place for clinical placement purposes.

[Read here](#) for more information.



Together, We Are UMB

The end is in sight. Although we've been forced apart, we've always been in this together. That's what makes us UMB.

[Watch this video](#) for an inspiring take on the year we've been through together and what's to come.



On-Campus COVID-19 Testing Clinic Appointments

Appointments continue to be offered at the on-campus COVID-19 Testing Clinic through this [scheduling application](#).

However, the best option for faculty, staff, and students wanting to schedule an appointment for an on-campus

COVID-19 diagnostic test or a flu shot is to call [UMaryland Immediate Care](#) directly at 667-214-1899.

The location of the test will depend on UMaryland Immediate Care's scheduling — either at the SMC Campus Center or the urgent care clinic at 408 W. Lombard St. Double-check your appointment online or call to confirm your testing location.

Additionally, the Baltimore Convention Center has a wider availability of appointments for testing and is a short walk from campus. Appointments at the Convention Center can be made online using [this link](#).

Please visit umaryland.edu/coronavirus for more information about UMB's COVID-19 policies and recovery.

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