



UMB RECOVERY TASK FORCE

July 9, 2021

Summer is certainly a time of transition this year at the University of Maryland, Baltimore (UMB) as guidance, policies, and planning continue to adapt as we look forward to the fall.

One of those changes is the **UMB Policy on Telework**.

The COVID-19 Status of Operation and Telework is set to expire Aug. 15, when the revised UMB Policy on Telework will go into effect.

A list of FAQs explaining the change can be found [here](#).

Planning an event? Summer and fall event guidance can be found [here](#).

Food service also is in transition. Read an update on what's available [here](#).

Not vaccinated? Please read the COVID-19 [vaccination protocols](#) for students and employees, which discusses consequences for not being vaccinated. Effective Aug. 16, all on-campus students and employees must be fully vaccinated against COVID-19 unless granted an exemption.

As part of the protocols, **on-campus students should plan to provide proof** of being fully vaccinated by Aug. 2 (or in the case of schools with later start dates, 14 days prior to the first day of classes).

International students and scholars can follow additional vaccination guidance [here](#).

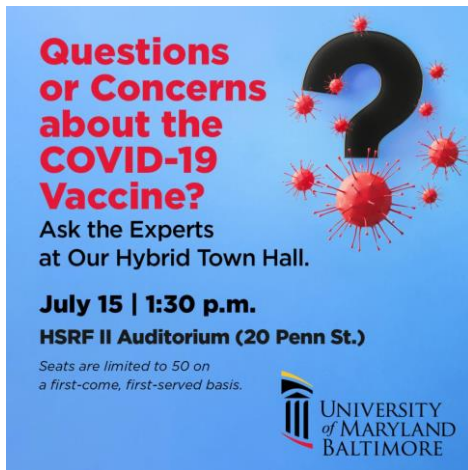
If you've **already been vaccinated** but have not reported it to UMB, please report it to the [UMB COVID-19 Management Portal](#). If you were vaccinated in Maryland, you also can sign the Chesapeake Regional Information System for our Patients (CRISP) acknowledgment form in that same portal to confirm your vaccine status.

Find a vaccination site near you [here](#).

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

This week's highlights detailed below:

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COVID-19 Vaccines Hybrid Town Hall

Join UMB President **Bruce E. Jarrell, MD, FACS**, for a town hall July 15 at 1:30 p.m. to discuss COVID-19 vaccines. Our experts will be available to answer questions about the safety of the vaccines and the science behind them, as well as other related concerns.

The experts are:

- **Matthew Laurens, MD, MPH**, a pediatric infectious disease specialist who conducts research with the University of Maryland School of Medicine's (UMSOM) Center for Vaccine Development and Global Health.
- **Sarah Edwards, DO**, assistant professor of psychiatry, UMSOM, who is a co-investigator for UMB's Health Resources and Services Administration grant focused on



VaxU Scholarships Promotion

Maryland youths have a shot — actually 20 — at a \$50,000 scholarship by becoming vaccinated against COVID-19.

The VaxU Scholarship Promotion consists of nine statewide drawings and offers vaccinated residents ages 12 to 17 a chance to win one of 20 scholarship prizes.

Winners will receive a scholarship in the form of a [Prepaid College Trust](#) or [College Investment Plan](#) from Maryland 529 to cover the tuition and fees for a public four-year college or university.

Individuals ages 12 to 17 who provided a Maryland address at the time of vaccination and have received a COVID-19 vaccine in Maryland, but not at a federal facility, are automatically entered

public perceptions and attitudes about vaccines.

The event will take place in person in the Health Sciences Research Facility II auditorium (20 Penn St.) and be available virtually via webcast and livestream on UMB's Facebook page.

Seating is available to 50 attendees on a first-come, first-served basis. In addition, those attending in person will be required to sign in, per COVID-19 safety requirements. To register for the webcast, please [click here](#).

into the promotion. Individuals are entered once and, unless they win, remain part of the VaxU Scholarship Promotion for each drawing.

Between July 12, 2021, and Sept. 5, 2021, **two winners** will be selected each Monday. On Sept. 6, 2021, **four winners** will be selected.

During the dates of drawing, Maryland Department of Health officials will determine the total number of entries that are eligible for that drawing with each vaccinated individual anonymized by number. [Read here](#) for more information.



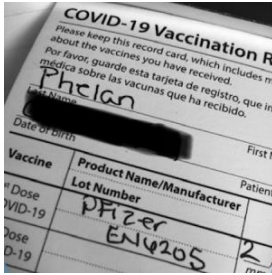
Return to Campus Mental Health Resource of the Week

Take a moment and contact the Workplace Mediation Service (WMS) to find out how mediation can help address challenges with returning to campus.

WMS provides mediation for UMB employees who want to improve workplace situations, address workplace conflict, or make decisions collaboratively.

Contact: Aisha Samples, MS, at 410-706-4270 or mediation@umaryland.edu.

WMS is part of the [Center for Dispute Resolution](#) at the University of Maryland Francis King Carey School of Law.



How to Replace a Lost Vaccination Card

If your COVID-19 vaccination is lost or damaged, there are several ways to be issued a new record.

Those who were vaccinated at UMB can download proof through [MyPortfolio](#). Further instructions can be found [here](#).

Those who were vaccinated elsewhere in Maryland can download proof of your COVID-19 vaccinations as well as other vaccinations from [ImmuNet](#), the Maryland Department of Health's vaccine portal.

Other options to reissue your vaccination card include contacting the vaccine site directly or the MDGoVax hotline at 1-855-634-6829.

Lyft On-Demand Shuttle Discount Ends July 30



The Lyft On-Demand Shuttle discount program will end at midnight July 30. After that time, [discounts on rides](#) between shuttle stops will no longer apply. The UMB *shuttle* will resume service Aug. 2 from 6 a.m. to 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. to 11 p.m.

Find out more about the shuttle schedule, COVID-19 safety procedures, and ridership fees at the [UMB shuttle webpage](#).



URecFit Phase 2 Reopening

URecFit and Wellness entered Phase 2 of its reopening Tuesday, July 6. During Phase 2, all members, except sponsored members and guests, may access the facility.

- **Hours are modified** to Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.
- **The pool will remain closed.**
- **No reservations** are required, but all members must self-scan their One Card or membership ID at the fourth-floor check-in desk.

- **Members** need to either restart their membership (membership will be extended for the number of days lost due to the COVID-19 closure) or purchase a membership at the business office. Memberships will not be prorated (modified hours, reduced amenities, etc.).
- **Total capacity** of the facility is limited to 150.
- **Certain activities** are still prohibited (i.e., 1-on-1, 2-on-2 basketball, etc.; team sports; racquetball or squash).
- **Spotting by members is allowed.** URecFit and Wellness staff may decline spotting if they are uncomfortable. Please modify your intensity.
- **All daily lockers are now available.** You must bring your own lock. Please practice physical distancing.

Please check the [URecFit and Wellness website](#) for updates regarding the status of reopening as well as modifications to services and programs.



Updated Visitors Guidance Simplifies Process

A July 1 update to the COVID-19 Visitors Guidance creates a more streamlined guide to accommodating guests at UMB's campus during the pandemic.

The guidance, which is available to [read here](#), does the following:

- Eliminates the multiple classifications of visitors
- Eliminates the Visitors Acknowledgment Form
- Encourages sponsors to take action and be organized
- Encourages sponsors to keep a list of attendees
- Updates references to changes to the [Policy Requiring Use of Face Coverings](#)
- States that visitors will not be asked their vaccination status

- Maintains that when a planned activity or event will include more than 25 visitors, email [COVID Recovery](#).

As previously announced with updated events guidance, large indoor events with numerous visitors will be determined on a case-by-case basis. Please have your dean or vice president email [Jon Kucskar](#) for guidance on those events.



Updated Face Covering Policy in Effect

UMB's [Policy Requiring Use of Face Coverings](#) became [effective July 1](#).

Here's what you need to know:

- **Fully vaccinated** people no longer are required to wear a face covering or practice physical distancing.
- UMB students and employees who are **not fully vaccinated** must continue to wear a face covering. Physical distancing must be adhered to when removing their face covering to eat or drink.
- **Current face covering policy exemptions** will be permitted for people not fully vaccinated, including not needing to wear a face covering outside in most scenarios and when alone in their office, lab, or study space.
- UMB students and employees with **approved medical and religious exemptions** must continue to wear a face covering.
- **Public transit riders**, including the UMB *shuttle*, buses, and Safe Ride, must continue to wear a face covering regardless of vaccination status.

Fully vaccinated is defined as two weeks after a final vaccine dose.

People may choose to continue to wear a face covering even when fully vaccinated.

If you have concerns that a person is unvaccinated and not wearing a face covering or practicing physical distancing on the UMB campus, you can report that to your supervisor or to the [UMB Whistleblower Hotline](#), and we will investigate the matter.



Vaccination Requirement for New Hires

The following FAQ has been added to the [UMB Recovery Website](#):

What is the UMB vaccine requirement for new employees who start on or after Aug. 16, 2021?

A new employee must be fully vaccinated (or have been granted a medical/religious exemption) on Day 1, but a dean or vice president can grant an extension of the Day 1 deadline for good cause, provided that the employee has at least had their first shot by Day 1.

Human Resource Services can provide additional guidance for how the requirement should be communicated to job candidates and new hires.



SAFE on Campus Changes

[SAFE on Campus daily symptom monitoring](#) emails have been deactivated for **confirmed vaccinated** UMB faculty, staff, and students.

If UMB has confirmation that you are fully vaccinated, you will no longer receive the SAFE on Campus daily symptom monitoring emails 14 days after your final dose.

Please allow 24 hours for the system to stop sending SAFE emails after your vaccination status shows as confirmed.

Students of the University of Maryland School of Medicine and the University of Maryland School of Nursing will continue to receive their daily SAFE symptom survey so that they can report their clinical status on the days they attend clinical practicum sites.

Nonvaccinated faculty, staff, and students must complete it every day they are coming to campus.

You **may be contacted for additional information** about your COVID-19 vaccination documentation. Earlier versions of SAFE allowed you to self-report doses but did not provide a way to upload proof of vaccination.

For more information and FAQs, visit the [SAFE on Campus page](#).



Return to Campus & Policies and Guidance

Get prepared and reacquainted with policies and guidance you need to know.

General Return to Campus-specific guidelines can be [found here](#).

COVID-19 Policies and Guidance are found on [this page](#).



COVID-19 Management Portal

The [UMB COVID-19 Management Portal](#) allows faculty, staff, and students to:

- Approve or deny Chesapeake Regional Information System for our Patients (CRISP) COVID-19 health information sharing
- Upload vaccination dose information (if not using CRISP)
- Request a vaccination exemption

Users will first see the CRISP authorization screen when they log in if they haven't answered the form previously.

Test results and dose information are typically shared the next day to the COVID-19 Management Portal via CRISP.

The **medical and religious exemption** process can be [viewed online](#). The submission process and forms are available through the UMB COVID-19 Management Portal.



On-Campus COVID-19 Testing at UM Immediate Care

COVID-19 tests are being offered at [UMaryland Immediate Care](#), 408 W. Lombard St.

Faculty, staff, and students wanting to schedule an appointment for an on-campus COVID-19 diagnostic test or a flu shot should call [UMaryland Immediate Care](#) directly at 667-214-1899.

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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