



## UMB RECOVERY TASK FORCE

**Aug. 20, 2021**

As more in-person events are being planned, enticing people to attend by offering food is certainly a popular strategy. How do you do so safely?

Guidance was announced this week for offering food or drinks at in-person events, meetings, conferences, and any other in-person University of Maryland, Baltimore (UMB) function.

An easy rule to remember is no meeting *while* drinking or eating indoors. This is to discourage conversations occurring with unmasked people in close settings.

Another key rule is to set aside a dedicated meal or snack break during an event or conference that takes place away from the main meeting or conference area and has its own time block with no other activities occurring simultaneously.

A full list of protocols, including physical distancing, rules for buffets, and eating indoors and outdoors, can be found [here](#).

*Bon Appétit!*

**This week's highlights detailed below:**

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### Essential International Travel Form

A new UMB Essential International Travel Request Form for [\*faculty and staff planning international travel\*](#) is now available using DocuSign.

This form and process is in addition to the existing UMB online travel request process and is now a part of that process, required for all UMB-related international travel.

What's new?



### PPE Available at UMB

The Office of Emergency Management (OEM) Critical Resources and Logistics has personal protective equipment (PPE) available for UMB employees.

**Limitations may be placed on the amount ordered. Please use the new order form below.**

The PPE is provided through a one-time special Federal Emergency Management Agency grant for Return to Campus only. When these supplies are gone, OEM will not

- Only essential UMB-related international travel will be approved at this time.
- All requests for essential UMB-related international travel must be approved by a dean or vice president or their designee.
- All UMB-related international travel must be booked using one of three UMB-approved travel agencies.
- All UMB international travelers must have a briefing with International SOS, UMB's health and security assistance provider, before travel.
- All UMB international travelers must sign a new Risk Acknowledgment, Agreement, and Release before international travel is approved.
- All UMB-related international travel must be approved in the UMB online travel request system before travel for the agency to issue airline tickets.

You can find additional information and a link to the new Essential International Travel Request Form [here](#).

restock for future requests. Any of these items that staff or faculty may need for future PPE requirements will have to be purchased from [BIORESCO](#) or via their regular supply chain.

OEM has two types of face-covering masks, some XL gloves, and a limited number of safety glass eye protection, as described below:

- Reusable cloth face masks (packages of 10)
- Three-layer disposable face masks (boxes of 50)
- Safety glasses (limited to six pairs per laboratory setting with exceptions considered on a case-by-case basis)
- Nitrile XL gloves (boxes of 90)

There is no charge for any of these supplies. Please enter the quantities you would like in the [PPE Distribution Order Form](#) and send an email to [Jim Chandler](#), critical resources and logistics program manager. Supplies are typically available within two to three days from the order date, dependent on quantities requested and availability of a delivery truck from the Department of Environmental Services.



## URecFit on 'The UMB Pulse'

It's time to hit the gym again now that URecFit and Wellness has reopened its doors at UMB. First, get a Pulse Check on UMB guidance (4:34). URecFit director **Julia Wightman, MEd**, and associate director of operations **Jimmy Heiner** (10:03) talk about how URecFit operated during its closure and how it reopened (14:49), exercising while following the face covering policy (21:31), return of the swimming pool (25:14), additional safety measures (31:12), and the URecFit Live App (36:47)

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**Next Episode:** Thursday, Aug. 26, featuring **Angela Hall, MBA**, director of Parking and Transportation Services.

Hall reviews parking options, the MDOT Maryland Transit Administration (MDOT MTA) Sticker Program, the UMB *shuttle*, electric vehicle charging stations, automotive services, tools to remember where you parked, the bicycle commuter program, and using electric scooters on campus.

Also on the show, our co-hosts talk about outdoor locations at UMB for some mask relief and the 1807 Pearl Street Gallery, and open up The UMB Pulse mailbag.



## Vaccination Requirements for Clinical Sites

*Q: Will clinical sites honor my UMB medical or religious COVID-19 vaccination exemption?*

*A:* Not necessarily. Clinical sites may carry their own vaccine requirements. Some medical providers are not taking students for placement with university-approved medical or religious vaccination exemptions.



## Campus Dining Update

On-campus dining is returning with a new vendor, Chartwells.

The Market at the SMC Campus Center reopened this week for grab-and-go items. Customers can self-pay at the registers.

Starbucks at the SMC Campus Center and additional food options will open Monday, Aug. 23.

The Francis King Carey School of Law Crema Coffee location also will reopen Aug. 23. Hours and more details are coming soon for those locations and will be announced in The Elm, The Elm Weekly, and Campus Life Weekly.

If you need a caffeine fix now, the School of Dentistry Crema Coffee location is open and operates 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday.



## Updated Face Covering Policy

Rising COVID-19 cases, mainly attributed to the Delta variant, are prompting *additional safety measures* at UMB.

UMB has revised its *Policy Requiring the Use of Face Coverings* to require that masks be worn indoors on UMB property by everyone regardless of vaccination status.

Please read through the policy as it outlines scenarios for vaccinated and unvaccinated people to remove or maintain their face coverings.



## Cubicle Mask Guidance

Employees working at cubicles have a helpful graphic and additional guidance to assist them in knowing when it is OK to remove a face covering.

People in cubicles can remove their mask if they meet all of the following criteria:

1. They are fully vaccinated.

2. The walls of their cubicle extend above the top of their head when they are seated.
3. A cubicle wall is between them and other people seated in the area.
4. No one is seated closer than 6 feet from them on the open side of their cubicle.

View the graphic above to see an example. A larger version can be viewed [here](#).

**Unvaccinated people** at cubicles must wear their face coverings.



### **UMB Housing Discount**

On-campus housing is still available at Fayette Square Apartments — part of UMB Housing.

New applicants and licensees can receive a discount to live in Fayette Square 12 months for the price of nine months by applying and signing a housing license by Aug. 31, 2021. Your license dates would be Aug. 2, 2021, to July 22, 2022.

Contact UMB Housing at [umbhousing@umaryland.edu](mailto:umbhousing@umaryland.edu) or visit [umaryland.edu/housing](http://umaryland.edu/housing) for rates, availability, and virtual tours. In-person tours are available Monday through Friday between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. Call 410-706-5523 if you have questions or to discuss the options.

Please note: This offer is only available for new applicants and licensees for annual contracts signed after July 13, 2021, to live in Fayette Square. The discount is not available for Pascault Row. Limited openings exist in Pascault Row. Contact UMB Housing to learn more.



### **Return to Campus Mental Health Resource of the Week**

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

The Workplace Mediation Service provides mediation for UMB work-related situations. Mediation is for improving workplace situations, addressing workplace conflict, and making collective decisions.

#### ***Workplace Mediation Service***

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The Workplace Mediation Service is part of the [Center for Dispute Resolution at the University of Maryland Francis King Carey School of Law \(C-DRUM\)](#).



### COVID-19 Management Portal Help Email

The [UMB COVID-19 Management Portal](#) has a new, dedicated email address for troubleshooting.

Portal-related questions should be sent to [covidadmin@umaryland.edu](mailto:covidadmin@umaryland.edu).

Vaccination exemption-related questions should be sent to [vaccineexemptionquestions@umaryland.edu](mailto:vaccineexemptionquestions@umaryland.edu).

The COVID-19 Management Portal allows users 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.



### COVID-19 Signage Toolbox

Updated face covering signage is available in the [COVID-19 Signage Toolbox](#).

While these items cover many situations and scenarios, customizable templates also have been included so schools/departments can create specific messaging

while adhering to the Office of Communications and Public Affairs' (CPA) basic design standards.

The [CPA COVID Sign Templates](#) are available as Word documents, which may be downloaded and printed yourself.

Please do not stretch or alter the logo in any way. For more specific information on general CPA design standards, please visit the [CPA Communications Toolbox](#).

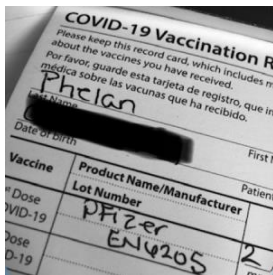


## UMB COVID-19 Vaccination Protocols

**Not vaccinated?** Please read the COVID-19 [vaccination protocols](#) for students and employees, which discuss 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 were required 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](#).



## How to Replace a Lost Vaccination Card

If your COVID-19 vaccination card has been lost or damaged, there are several ways to be issued a new record. Please note: In many cases, you will not be reissued a physical card, and instead will be able to print your records.

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 vaccination 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.

Out-of-state residents should directly contact their vaccination site or their [local health department](#).





## 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 who want 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. Or visit this [new link](#) for online scheduling.

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](#).

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Please visit [umaryland.edu/coronavirus](https://umaryland.edu/coronavirus) for more information about UMB's COVID-19 policies and recovery.

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