



UMB RECOVERY TASK FORCE

Sept. 17, 2021

You can add a layer of protection by getting a flu shot and/or COVID-19 booster at this year's clinic on the University of Maryland, Baltimore (UMB) campus.

The clinic starts Sept. 22, and will operate from 9 a.m. to noon Wednesdays and 1:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. Thursdays until the end of November and as needed through December. The clinic is located in Room 349 of the SMC Campus Center and is operated by the University of Maryland School of Medicine's Department of Family and Community Medicine.

UMB, Faculty Physicians, Inc. (FPI), and University of Maryland Medical System (UMMS) campus members can self-schedule their appointments [here](#).

Please note that due to an issue with the scheduling software, multiple locations are listed. All appointments are in Room 349 at the SMC Campus Center unless the clinic contacts you and instructs you to visit another location.

Vaccination is by appointment only. No walk-ins are accepted.

Students and employees must bring their insurance card and their UMB, UMMS, or FPI ID badge.

More information, including co-pays and accepted insurance, can be found at umaryland.edu/flu.

COVID-19 booster doses will only be administered to qualifying individuals per current Centers for Disease Control and Prevention guidelines. [Learn more](#).

This week's highlights detailed below:

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On-Campus Vaccination Rates

As of Sept. 14, 2021

**ON-CAMPUS EMPLOYEES
VACCINATED**

**ON-CAMPUS STUDENTS
VACCINATED**

94.17

%

(7449 Total People)

98.26

%

(6537 Total People)

Please visit the COVID-19 Dashboard on the [UMB Recovery website](#) for the latest on-campus COVID-19 vaccination rates and positive cases reported to the [UMB COVID-19 Hotline](#).

If you have any symptoms compatible with COVID-19, please call **1-800-701-9863**.



KN95 Mask Guidance

To increase safety on campus, UMB is moving to require or encourage the use of KN95 masks, instead of surgical or cloth face coverings, as outlined



EDI Chief on 'The UMB Pulse'

Learn all about UMB's inaugural chief equity, diversity, and inclusion (EDI) officer and vice president, **Diane Forbes**

below, in nonclinical settings (clinical settings maintain separate requirements).

Unvaccinated employees and students must wear a KN95 when required to wear a face covering under the [UMB Policy Requiring Use of Face Coverings](#).

At some point in the near future, KN95s will be required for fully vaccinated students, faculty, and staff when participating in classroom and training activities.

KN95s are strongly recommended for fully vaccinated students, faculty, and staff when participating in group activities where 6 feet of physical distance cannot be maintained or more than five people are present.

A KN95 mask is designed to reduce the amount of dust or virus a person breathes in by approximately 95 percent.

UMB will provide an initial KN95 mask to each person through each school/unit.

Information about KN95 masks can be found [here](#).

Berthoud, PhD, MA, on the Sept. 23 episode of “The UMB Pulse” podcast.

Forbes Berthoud shares her background, approach to EDI issues, and more in a special two-part conversation. The second part will be available Thursday, Oct. 7.

In the meantime, don't miss a new "Pulse Check" bonus episode that was released Sept. 16, where the latest COVID-19 guidance is shared and return to campus advice is provided by Etta Kitt, all under six minutes.

Also, the latest full episode features resources for students in a conversation with **Patty Alvarez, PhD**, assistant vice president, Student Affairs.

Listen to all of the episodes at umaryland.edu/pulse. Or, subscribe to “The UMB Pulse” podcast on Apple Podcasts, Spotify, Google Podcasts, Amazon Music, Stitcher, and iHeartRadio, to name a few.

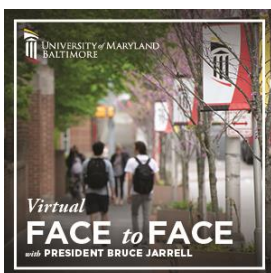
Please rate and review “The UMB Pulse” podcast on your favorite provider!



Grab-and-Go Food for Indoor Events

Effective Sept. 20, UMB indoor events may not provide food that is intended to be eaten at the event – only grab-and-go food and beverages will be permitted. This will minimize the need to remove masks while in group settings and thereby reduce the risk of spreading COVID-19 on campus.

For more information, please read the [UMB COVID-19 Guidance on Events, Eating, and Drinking.](#)



'Virtual Face to Face' Replay

[Watch a recording](#) of the Sept. 9 edition of *Virtual Face to Face with President Bruce Jarrell*, which touches on returning to campus and COVID-19 guidance.

Panelists included **James D. Campbell, MD, MS**, professor of pediatrics and principal investigator of two pediatric vaccine trials at the University of Maryland School of Medicine's Center for Vaccine Development and Global Health, and **Cassandra Moon, PsyD**, staff psychologist and outreach director of the UMB Student Counseling Center.



COVID-19 Safety Training

Please check your inbox for a new required COVID-19 Safety Training course from UMB.

The email was sent last week from eLearning@umaryland.edu.

The training reviews COVID-19 safety guidance, symptom monitoring, UMB policies, implications of the Delta variant, and how to use the UMB COVID-19 Hotline.



Return to Campus Mental Health Resource of the Week

Resiliency, Health, and Well-Being is a series of quarterly programs offered by the [Pi at-Large Chapter of Sigma](#) at the University of Maryland School of Nursing and the Nu Beta at-Large Chapter of Sigma at the Johns Hopkins School of Nursing to foster well-being and resiliency in nurses, physicians, and other members of the interdisciplinary team of health care providers.

The first event in the series, “Stress Reduction Through Kindness: A Health Promotion Intervention to Uplift Patients, Families, and Providers,” will be presented virtually by David Fryburg, MD, on **Sept. 23 from 5:30 to 7 p.m.**

Register [here](#).



Facilities Work Order Portal

Have you returned to campus to find that lights need to be replaced in your office? There is a leak in the ceiling? Broken furniture?

The [UMB Facilities and Operations portal](#) is now live. The portal used to request such work has been upgraded, helping to streamline the process for both customers and Facilities employees so that work can be completed quicker and more efficiently. Read [this story in The Elm](#) about the change.



PPE Available for 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 order form below. For details, visit [this page](#).

There is no charge for any of these supplies. Please enter the quantities you would like in the [PPE Distribution Order Form](#) (please note, this form has been updated) 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, depending on quantities requested and the availability of a delivery truck from the Department of Environmental Services.



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 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](#).

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

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