



KU School of Pharmacy Student Event COVID Safety Policy

Purpose: To implement guidelines and procedures governing all KU School of Pharmacy student, and student organization public-facing events to control the transmission of the SARS-CoV-2 virus during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Applies To: All KU School of Pharmacy related student activities, including event planning meetings to be held in-person.

Policy Statement: The COVID-19 pandemic has necessitated the development of a policy to give direction to students and student organization leadership and membership regarding public-facing student activities during this international crisis. The following list provides the guidelines that all KU School of Pharmacy students and student organizations shall follow until December 31, 2021 or such a time when this policy is modified or revoked in the interest of student and public safety and well-being.

1. **Health Fairs/Tabling Events/Dissemination of Healthcare Information Events:** Until further notice, these events shall only be conducted virtually. These types of events will be reevaluated prior to the start of the Spring 2021 semester for possible approval.
2. **Medication Therapy Management Events:** Until further notice, these events shall only be conducted virtually. These types of in-person events will be reevaluated prior to the start of the Spring 2021 semester for possible approval.
3. **Point-of-Care Testing Events:** These types of events may be approved but are discouraged prior to the start of the Spring 2021 semester.
4. **Community Immunization Events:** Pharmacists and Pharmacy Student Interns are in a unique position to provide a significant public health benefit by engaging in immunization efforts during the current COVID-19 pandemic. To that end, student organizations may be permitted to engage in vaccination initiatives under the following guidelines:
 - a. **Compliance:** Vaccination initiatives must be in strict compliance with all requirements set forth in the Kansas Statewide Protocol for Administration of Vaccines by Pharmacists or equivalent vaccination protocol and the guidelines provided by the CDC.
 - b. **In-Person Faculty OR Documented Preceptor Partnership Oversight:** Vaccination initiatives must be under the in-person oversight of at least one KU School of Pharmacy faculty member who must be certified to administer immunizations in the State of Kansas. Alternatively, Preceptor Partners certified to administer immunizations in the State of Kansas may also perform this oversight function as per the “Preceptor Partnership and Student Oversight Agreement.”

- c. Maximum student to preceptor ratios: The maximum number of student immunizers typically will not exceed four at any venue and will be based on the number of people that can be located at the site while maintaining 8 foot spacing. The student to preceptor or preceptor partner ratio shall not be more than 2:1 at any time.
- d. Physical distancing: Vaccination stations shall be established 8' apart with plexiglass barriers between the vaccination stations.
- e. Personal Protective Equipment:
 - i. Vaccinating students: Shall be required to wear a FIT tested N95 mask with accompanying face shield or other eye protection **OR** a surgical mask with accompanying face shield, as well as nitrile or latex gloves and be required to change gloves, utilize hand sanitizer, and disinfect the surface of vaccination areas with disinfectant spray or wipes between each patient. All immunizations will be administered using safety-engineered sharps devices with retractable or safety-glide technology. These supplies will be provided by the site or be included in the event budget submitted prior to any event.
 - ii. Onboarding students: Shall be required to wear cloth/surgical face masks with accompanying face shield or other eye protection, nitrile or latex gloves, utilize infrared or other no touch thermometers for temperature checks, change gloves and utilize hand sanitizer and disinfect surface of work areas with disinfectant spray or wipes between each patient.
- f. Student and Public Safety: To maintain physical distancing and prevent congregation or huddling of patients, the following guidelines with respect to patient onboarding will apply:
 - i. Patients arriving for vaccination services will be required to wear a mask and be greeted outside the vaccination waiting area and asked to wait in their vehicles until they receive notification by phone or text, utilizing Doximity Dialer or similar platform, that their time for immunization has arrived.
 - ii. Patient's will enter vaccination waiting areas which will be limited depending on size of venue, each separated by a minimum of 8'.
 - iii. Patients will complete screening and consent onboarding paperwork under direction and supervision of onboarding student intern wearing appropriate PPE and maintaining appropriate physical distancing.
 - iv. Pharmacy student intern will perform touch-free temperature scan.
 - v. Upon completion of temperature check and review of consent and screening forms for completeness and accuracy, student intern escorts patient to immunizing student intern and faculty member or preceptor partner at immunizing station while maintaining physical distancing.
 - vi. Upon completion of the immunization, if a patient needs to remain at the venue for monitoring it is recommended that they do so in their vehicle.

- (1) Complete the form below and submit it to Dean Ragan for approval
 - (2) When approved, Dean Ragan will sign the form and return a copy to the requestor
 - (3) Requestor will attach a copy of the approved and signed form to their submission for Professional Development Activity Approval Request Form
- IMPORTANT: Completion and approval of the form below DOES NOT take the place of submission to the Professional Development Activity Approval Request Form. Be sure to allow adequate time prior to the event for multiple reviews and approvals.**

KU School of Pharmacy Student Event COVID-19 Era Participation Request Form

Date of Request:

Student Name:

Number of students participating:

Date of Event:

Organization (if applicable):

Description of Event:

Safety Precautions to be Used:

Face masks for all student participants: ___ Yes ___ No. (are they N95 ___Yes. ___No)

Face shield or other eye protection for all student participants: ___ Yes ___ No

Minimum of 8 feet between all students and participants? ___ Yes ___ No

If no explain:

Will hand sanitizer be present? ___ Yes ___ No

Other precautions to be used:

Student Printed Name

Student Signature

*Faculty Advisor Printed Name

*Faculty Advisor Signature

Dean Printed Name

Dean Signature

*Faculty Advisor has agreed to either be present for all activities or ensure the presence of a Preceptor Partner who has read and signed the Preceptor Partnership and Student Oversight Agreement and submitted that agreement with this form

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**Student Organization Event COVID Safety Policy
Preceptor Partnership and Student Oversight Agreement**

Thank you for serving as a preceptor for the University of Kansas School of Pharmacy. Your commitment to the school and to pharmacy student education is greatly appreciated. The COVID-19 pandemic has necessitated the KU School of Pharmacy policy to implement additional safety measures to help ensure the protection of students, faculty and the public during all public-facing community service events during this national crisis. By agreeing to serve as a preceptor for KU students at this community service event, you agree to provide oversight to ensure student compliance with the following requirements of the KU School of Pharmacy Student Organization Event COVID Safety Policy:

1. Students will be required to wear FIT tested N95 masks with accompanying face shield or other eye protection **OR** a surgical mask with accompanying face shield, as well as nitrile or latex gloves while actively administering vaccines or participating in direct patient care.
2. Students will be required to wear cloth or surgical face mask with accompanying face shield or other eye protection and nitrile or latex gloves during onboarding (check-in, screening, etc.) of patients.
3. Students will be required to regularly (following each patient encounter) change gloves, utilize hand sanitizer and disinfect work areas.
4. Students will be supervised at all times by a registered preceptor.
5. If an immunization event, students will be supervised by registered preceptors certified to administer immunizations in the State of Kansas.

Name of Event: _____

Date of Event: _____

I, _____, agree to provide oversight to ensure student compliance with the above requirements of the KU School of Pharmacy Student Organization Event COVID Safety Policy.

Signature of Preceptor Partner

Date