Welcome Package
2020 - 2021
Regina
Welcome to the Saskatchewan Collaborative Bachelor of Science in Nursing (SCBScN) program!

Please read all sections of this welcome package carefully as there are several required tasks to complete with varying deadlines.

Things to do before you start the program

☐ Register and attend ONE mandatory Group Academic Advising session
- Session dates, times and registration instructions are listed in the “What is mandatory Group Academic Advising?” section
- Register for one session only
- Failure to register for a session by August 1, 2020 may lead to cancellation of your admission in the SCBScN program*
  *students coming off the wait list late in the summer may be exempt from this

Due at your mandatory Group Academic Advising Session:

☐ Complete the HSPnet Consent Form at your Group Academic Advising session
- Review the attached “Identified Purposes and Handling of Personal Information and Personal Health Information in HSPnet” handout
- Sign the attached “Consent Form for Use and Disclosure of Student Information” sheet and email to: reginanursingdocuments@saskpolytech.ca.

☐ Complete the SCBScN Student Expectations and Professional Accountability Contract at your Group Academic Advising session
- Review, complete, initial, sign and date the attached “SCBScN Student Expectations and Professional Accountability Contract”
- Sign the attached “SCBScN Student Expectations and Professional Accountability Contract” and email to: nursing@uregina.ca.
Due December 1, 2020:

Submit an original hard copy of the following document to the SCBScN program by mail to:

SCBScN Program
Saskatchewan Polytechnic - Regina Campus
Parkway Building - Room 275
4635 Wascana Parkway
PO Box 556
Regina, SK S4P 3A3

☐ Criminal Record Check AND Vulnerable Sector Search (CRC-VSS)
  - Must be dated six months or less prior to the start of the program (March 2020+)
  - Request original document from city police or RCMP and submit the original document to the Regina SCBScN Office, Room 275; copies will not be accepted
  - Students that are under 18 years of age at the time of program start date must still provide a criminal record check (not including vulnerable sector search) to meet requirements of the CNUR 100: Community Partnerships course. These students must submit an additional criminal record check with vulnerable sector search immediately following their 18th birthdate.
  - If you have any questions, please call 306-775-7989

Submit the following documents to the SCBScN program by email, either scanning or photographing them separately, to: reginanursingdocuments@saskpolytech.ca. If you have questions regarding these documents, call 306-775-7989.

☐ Immunization Record and Blood Test Results
  - Please see attached “Immunization Requirements for Health Care Students 2020-21” for detailed instructions on how to obtain a history of your immunizations and blood test results

☐ Basic Life Support (BLS) Provider or CPR for Health Care Provider (CPR-HCP) Certificate
  - Must be dated year of entrance (2020)
  - Please see attached “Risk Management Training Providers” information sheet for course registration

☐ Standard First Aid Certificate
  - Must be dated year of entrance (2020)
  - Please see attached “Risk Management Training Providers” information sheet for course registration

☐ WHMIS Certification
  - Must be dated year of entrance (2020)
  - WHMIS is provided by the University of Regina and is completed by new students via UR Courses
  - You will receive access to WHMIS and UR Courses following your mandatory Group Academic Advising session
  - You must submit a copy of your certificate to the program by email
Due September 2 and 4, 2020:

☐ Attend all mandatory SCBScN Program Orientation Sessions held via remote delivery. Joining instructions will be sent to students closer to the date:
  - September 2, 2020 from 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
  - September 4, 2020 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
  - Students are required to attend all days in their entirety. If a student is late or misses a portion of mandatory orientation, they will be removed from the program.

Due October 1, 2020:

☐ Complete uniform fitting at Dorothy Pearl Uniforms (located at 357 Albert Street)
  - You can go any time after receiving your welcome package but you must be fitted by October 1

Due December 1, 2020:

☐ Respiratory Fit Testing
  - Must be dated year of entrance (2020)
  - Please see attached “Risk Management Training Providers” information sheet for list of providers

☐ TLR® (Transferring, Lifting, Repositioning) Certificate
  - Must be dated year of entrance (2020)
  - Please see attached “Risk Management Training Providers” information sheet for course registration

Is there other training I will need?

Advanced PART® training is required prior to CNUR 304, taken in year three (3) of the SCBScN program. You must present proof of completion prior to CNUR 304 according to program deadlines. In Advanced PART® training, you will participate in professional assault response training to provide you with defensive and preventive skills. You will receive training on the principles of effective manual restraint techniques. Upon successfully completing the course, you will receive a Professional Assault Response Training (PART®) Advanced certificate from Saskatchewan Association for Safe Workplaces in Health (SASWH).
Mandatory group academic advising happens at UR Beginning 2020 and as a standalone session. You only need to attend **one session** from the list below.

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To register for Group Advising session type, please email nursing@uregina.ca and include: your name, UofR student number, site and session date you plan to attend.

During your mandatory Group Academic Advising session you will:

- Get familiar with SCBScN and available student supports
- Meet new classmates and your academic advisors
- Receive your fall schedule
- Learn how to use UR Self-Service, UR Webmail, and UR Courses
- Learn about what it is like to be a nursing student

What to bring to your Group Academic Advising session:

- Acceptance letter with your University of Regina student number
- HSPnet Consent Form for Use and Disclosure of Student Information (signed by a parent if under 18)
- SCBScN Student Expectations and Professional Accountability Contract
- Paper and pen for notes
- List of any questions you may have

*Failure to register for one session by August 1, 2020 may lead to cancellation of your admission in the SCBScN Program.*

**What is University of Regina Orientation?**

The University of Regina holds an optional virtual Orientation Day on **Monday, August 31, 2020**. The event is a great way to familiarize yourself with the University of Regina campus and learn about all of the different extracurricular opportunities offered on campus. This popular event is the kick-off to “Welcome Week” and is packed full of information. Attend the University of Regina Fall New Student Orientation, and start your career off ahead of the rest! More details are available online.
Mandatory SCBSn Program Orientation takes place via remote delivery on **Wednesday, September 2, 2020 from 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.** All students will also attend mandatory SCBSn programming via remote delivery on **Friday September 4, 2020 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.** You will receive joining details and agenda closer to the mandatory SCBSn Program Orientation date.

**Please do not confuse this with the optional Orientation Day at the University of Regina on August 31**

Students are required to attend all days in their entirety and arrive on time. If a student is late or does not attend all days, they will be removed from the program.

On **Thursday, September 3** you attend University of Regina classes (ENGL 100, INHS 100, FR 340AI, and/or INDG 100). Your regular SCBSn 2020 Fall class schedule will begin on **Tuesday, September 8** (refer to UR Self-Service). The Fall 2020 semester of the SCBSn program will be delivered via remote delivery.

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**What are the textbooks I need?**

**Textbooks**

The Fall textbook list is generally available by early August. You may access your personalized list through UR Self-Service. You have two options for purchasing textbooks:

1. **Online:** Order through [UR Self-Service account](#) or at [Saskatchewan Polytechnic](#) (shipping charges may apply)
2. **In Person:** Purchase at Saskatchewan Polytechnic Bookstore
**Uniforms and Casual Dress**

*Mandatory Program Uniforms (Scrubs)* – Standardized uniforms promote professionalism, role identification as well as improved personal safety and infection control. All students enrolled in the SCBScN program are required to wear a standardized uniform with the SCBScN logo and a year pin in the practice education setting (clinical).

*Dorothy Pearl Uniforms* – is the provider in Regina of uniforms for the SCBScN program. Students can visit the store (located at 357 Albert Street) to be fitted for their uniform. Students need to be fitted by **October 1, 2020**; uniforms will arrive in December.

*Business Casual Dress* – Students will need to be prepared to dress business casual for presentations and guest speakers.

- *For Women* – A reasonable length skirt or pants of a non-jean material combined with a top (such as a dress shirt or sweater set) is considered acceptable. An informal dress with appropriate skirt length is also considered acceptable. Revealing necklines and excessively high heels are not acceptable.
- *For Men* – A combination of a collared shirt (such as a dress shirt), trousers (such as khakis or blue, green, brown, or black trousers). Jeans are NOT acceptable business casual attire. A blazer or business jacket can be added as an option.

**Electronic Mobile Device**

This is a generic term for devices like the iPod Touch and smartphone (iPhone/Android/BlackBerry/Windows Phone). The device will be used for the following services:

- SNApp web application: an online service used to capture things learned in clinical settings
- Nursing Central: an application which has been licensed for your use in the class and clinical environments. For more information about the different devices Nursing Central operates with, please go to: [http://www.unboundmedicine.com/support](http://www.unboundmedicine.com/support).

A license for this software has already been paid for in your student fees, and you will be provided with an opportunity to download the software once your first semester begins; please do not purchase a copy of Nursing Central ahead of time.

Nursing Central **does not** require you to be connected to the internet continuously; therefore students are not required to commit to a wireless data plan while attending the program. A device that is able to connect to the internet using Wi-Fi is sufficient. The device should be small enough to fit in your pocket; such devices as iPad, tablets, etc, are not to be used.

**Other Required Resources**

These items are available at the University of Regina and Saskatchewan Polytechnic bookstores:

- Protective eyewear
- Stethoscope with bell and diaphragm head
- Watch with second hand or digital readout in seconds (an EMD is not a substitute for this requirement)
- Writing style guide for APA formatting
- Year one student pin
If you identify as an individual with a disability and/or health condition, the following steps must be completed to access academic accommodations during the program. We recommend students complete this process prior to the start of the semester. Academic accommodations are modifications made to the usual educational institution procedures and/or the provisions of support services. Accommodations help create the opportunity to demonstrate knowledge without fundamentally altering core course requirements. Accommodations are determined individually, based on appropriate assessment and documentation, consultation with an Accessibility Advisor, and instructional criteria.

If an assessment has not been done that indicates a diagnosis/disability:
1. Obtain professional verification of a permanent or temporary disability from your doctor or appropriate health care professional. Third party documentation will be required for your intake appointment.
2. Connect with either Saskatchewan Polytechnic Accessibility Services at 306-775-7436 or the University of Regina Centre for Student Accessibility at 306-585-4631 to schedule an appointment for an assessment.
3. Once you receive a copy of your diagnosis/disability documentation from one institution, you must also schedule an intake appointment with the other institution to ensure uninterrupted access to accommodations since you will have faculty who receive accommodation information from only one institution.

If you have had an assessment done previously:
1. Call Saskatchewan Polytechnic Accessibility Services to schedule an intake appointment at 306-775-7436.
2. Bring a copy of your diagnosis/disability documentation to your intake appointment with Saskatchewan Polytechnic Accessibility Services where you will sign an accommodation plan.
3. Call the University of Regina Centre for Student Accessibility to schedule an intake appointment at 306-585-4631.
4. Bring a copy of your diagnosis/disability documentation to your intake appointment with University of Regina Centre for Student Accessibility.

Going forward in your program you must continue to register at each institution:
1. Register each semester with University of Regina Centre for Student Accessibility online: https://www.uregina.ca/student/accessibility/students/accommodation-request.html
2. Register each fall semester with Saskatchewan Polytechnic Accessibility Services by phone or in person to review your plan.
3. Once the above steps are complete, accommodation letters are sent to the professors/instructors at their respective institutions.

Students must contact their professors/instructors at least two (2) weeks prior to any quiz or exam to discuss and arrange accommodations. Please visit the links below for more information on accommodations:

**Saskatchewan Polytech Accessibility Services (Regina)**
https://saskpolytech.ca/student-services/support/accessibility-services.aspx
306-775-7436
Room 228

**University of Regina Centre for Student Accessibility**
https://www.uregina.ca/student/accessibility/accessibility@uregina.ca
306-585-4631
Riddell Centre, Room 229
In Regina courses in all four years of the nursing degree are held at two campuses: University of Regina and Saskatchewan Polytechnic – Regina Campus.

It is a good idea to familiarize yourself with logistics such as parking, bus routes, and location prior to your first day of programming. You should also become familiar with the student supports available: counselling, library services, recreation and athletic services, housing registries and many more services that are available to students free of charge or that are included with student fees!

Review both institutions’ websites (www.uregina.ca and www.saskpolytech.ca) for information on services and programs, as well as the SCBScN program website www.sasknursingdegree.ca as important information will be posted here throughout the year.

The University of Regina and Saskatchewan Polytechnic – Regina Campus have specialized supports and services for equity students. Please contact these supports if they are relevant to you:

**What are some of the other supports available?**

- **Academic Advisor and Indigenous Support Coordinator**
  
  Kristin Peigan-Acoose  
  *University of Regina*  
  508 RIC Building  
  306-337-2554  
  nursing.indigenouscoordinator@uregina.ca

- **Indigenous Nursing Student Advisor**
  
  Greg Riehl  
  Saskatchewan Polytechnic  
  *(Regina Campus)*  
  Main Building Room 150.1  
  306-775-7383  
  greg.riehl@saskpolytech.ca

- **UR International (International Student Support)**
  
  University of Regina  
  306-585-5082  
  international@uregina.ca

- **Centre for Student Accessibility**
  
  University of Regina  
  Riddell Centre 229  
  306-585-4631  
  accessibility@uregina.ca

- **Accessibility Services**
  
  Saskatchewan Polytechnic  
  *(Regina Campus)*  
  Main Building Room 228  
  306-775-7436  
  StudentServicesRegina@saskpolytech.ca

- **Intercultural Services**
  
  Saskatchewan Polytechnic  
  *(Regina Campus)*  
  Main Building  
  306-775-7595

**What else do I need to know?**

Attend class, study hard, and make friends! If you ever need assistance or are unsure of what to do, please do not hesitate to contact us at:

- **University of Regina**  
  *Faculty of Nursing*  
  Room 508, Research and Innovation Centre (RIC)  
  3737 Wascana Parkway  
  Regina, SK S4S 0A2  
  Email: nursing@uregina.ca  
  Phone: 306-337-3300  
  Toll Free: 1-855-830-3300

- **Saskatchewan Polytechnic**  
  *School of Nursing (SCBScN Program)*  
  Room 275, Parkway Centre  
  4635 Wascana Parkway  
  Regina, SK S4P 3A3  
  Phone: 306-775-7989
**Background**

The Health Sciences Placement Network (HSPnet) is a secure web-based system that is used by several provinces in Canada. The HSPnet system contains information about students in clinical placements within health agencies and other placement sites. Students authorize their educational program to use and disclose their Personal Information (name, student profile) and to use (but not disclose) their Personal Health Information via HSPnet for the purpose of locating and coordinating placements as required for their educational program. This document provides a summary of the national HSPnet Policies relating to the protection of student information within HSPnet. The full Policies can be viewed on the HSPnet website at [www.hspcanada.net](http://www.hspcanada.net).

**Collection, Use, and Disclosure of Personal Information and Personal Health Information in HSPnet**

HSPnet policies ensure that Personal Information and Personal Health Information in HSPnet:

- Are collected, used, and disclosed only for purposes consistent with identifying and coordinating a student’s clinical placements;
- Cannot be used or disclosed without the consent of the student whose Personal Information or Personal Health Information is to be collected; and
- Are used by or disclosed on need-to-know basis only, and accessed by those involved in student placements from an educational program or placement site. Personal Health Information is not disclosed to users outside of the student’s educational program.

### Personal Information Collected

May include any or all of:

- Student name
- Student home address, phone numbers, email addresses
- Student number
- Student photograph
- Placement Preferences (1st, 2nd and 3rd choices if offered)
- Student gender
- Student certification ID with registering body for their discipline (e.g. RN Association, College of Physicians and Surgeons)
- Date of Birth: DD/MM (excludes year)

### Uses of Personal Information

BY authorized users in the student’s educational program:

- To contact students regarding placement needs or status, or regarding urgent issues such as labour disruption at the placement destination
- To generate class placement lists, confirmation notices and schedules
- To maintain a student history of placements

### Disclosure of Personal Information

TO authorized users at the placement site:

- **Student name** is disclosed after a placement is accepted by the site and confirmed by the educational program, to facilitate arrangements (such as orientation and preceptor assignment) and as a record of placements. Name may be disclosed prior to acceptance if the site has a reasonable justification (e.g. to arrange a student interview).

- **Student email address** (issued by the educational program) may be released to support administration of computer access at the site.

- **Student certification ID** may be released to sites if needed to coordinate placement arrangements such as computer access.

- **Student gender** may be disclosed in the following limited situations:
  - For allocation of change rooms and lockers at the site
  - For matching the gender of the student and supervisor (e.g. for homecare visits where the client may specify a preference)

- **Date of Birth (DD/MM)** may be released to sites if needed to coordinate placement arrangements such as computer access.
### Personal Health Information Collected

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### Personal Health Information

- **May include any or all of:**
  - Information on a student’s immunity or immunization status for vaccine-preventable diseases such as Varicella, Diphtheria/Tetanus, Influenza, and Measles/Mumps or Rubella
  - Information on Tuberculosis status including TB test and/or chest X-ray results

### Status of compliance with site requirements for safety and/or infection control:

- Information on a student’s immunity or immunization status for vaccine-preventable diseases such as Varicella, Diphtheria/Tetanus, Influenza, and Measles/Mumps or Rubella
- Information on Tuberculosis status including TB test and/or chest X-ray results

### Safeguards

- The accuracy and completeness of personal information within HSPnet is maintained through the use of system tools such as mandatory fields and formatting rules, and through periodic reviews of data quality to identify the need for interventions such as user training or system modifications.
- HSPnet data is physically and logically secured in accordance with industry standards and best practices, including enforcement of strict rules for physical security and backups, password protection at all points of access, and use of anti-virus software, firewall protection, and data encryption.
- Periodic audits of HSPnet transactions are carried out to ensure there are no problems and/or gaps in the user interface that might permit inappropriate access to or update of data.
- Personal information on each student, along with their placement history, is retained until the student’s completion of or withdrawal from the educational program as recorded on their HSPnet profile, or after the consent expiry period of six years, whichever occurs first. A copy of their Personal Information is available to a student upon request to their jurisdiction’s Privacy Officer or the national HSPnet Privacy Officer.

### Openness, Access, and Challenging Compliance

- An individual can access their own information as well as a complete description of the type of Personal Information or Personal Health Information used/disclosed and the purposes for using or disclosing the information. Such requests can be made in writing by the student to the national HSPnet Privacy Officer and/or to the local Privacy Officer within the student’s jurisdiction (contact information for each province or jurisdiction is available on the HSPnet website at [https://hspcanada.net/privacy-officers/](https://hspcanada.net/privacy-officers/)).
- An individual may request changes to their Personal Information or Personal Health Information contained in HSPnet, or may register a complaint or challenge regarding the handling of their information in HSPnet, by submitting a request in writing to the national HSPnet Privacy Officer or local Privacy Officer within their jurisdiction.
Consent Form for Use and Disclosure of Student Information

Student Name: ___________________________ Student No: ___________________________

1. Permission to Use and Disclose Your Student Related Personal Information and Personal Health Information

By signing this consent, you authorize your educational Program ____________________________ to:

- Collect, use and/or disclose your personal information (name and student profile information that is under the custody and control of your Program) to authorized staff of Receiving Agencies for the purpose of locating and coordinating an appropriate placement experience (e.g. clinical practica, fieldwork, or preceptorship) as required by your educational program;

- Use your student related personal information and personal health information relating to placement prerequisites, for the purpose of tracking your compliance against Receiving Agency safety and infection control prerequisites for accepting students. Placement prerequisites that may be tracked include personal information such as CPR certification or criminal records check status, and personal health information such as immunity/immunization status of vaccine-preventable diseases. Placement prerequisite information is used only by staff involved with your educational program, and is never disclosed to users external to your educational program.

- Disclose your personal information to the owner and administrator of the HSPnet system, namely Provincial Health Services Authority British Columbia (PHSA), to allow PHSA to indirectly collect your personal information to provide HSPnet student placement services.

2. Consent Period

This consent is effective immediately and shall remain valid for up to six years, or shall be voided upon your completion of the Program, your formal withdrawal from the Program, or upon written request as described below.

3. Your Rights With Respect to This Consent

3.1 Right to Refuse Consent - You have the right to refuse to sign this consent, and if you refuse your placement will be processed manually at the earliest convenience of the Program and Receiving Agency.

3.2 Right to Review Privacy & Security Policies - A copy of the document entitled Identified Purposes and Handling of Personal Information in HSPnet, which summarizes Privacy and Security policies relating to how we may use and disclose your personal information via HSPnet, is distributed with this Consent Form. You may wish to review the complete Privacy and Security Policies for HSPnet before signing this consent. The Privacy and Security Policies may be amended from time to time, and you may obtain an updated copy by contacting privacy@hspcanada.net.

3.3 Right to Request Restrictions on Use/Disclosure - You have the right to request that we restrict how we use and/or disclose your personal information or personal health information via HSPnet for the purpose of locating and coordinating a suitable placement experience. Such requests must be made in writing to the placement coordinator for your Program. If we agree to a restriction you have requested, we must restrict our use and/or disclosure of your personal information in the manner described in your request. If this restriction precludes our ability to coordinate your placement via HSPnet, then your placement will be processed manually at the earliest convenience of the placement coordinator and receiving agency.

3.4 Right to Revoke Consent - You have the right to revoke this consent at any time. Your revocation of this consent must be in writing to the placement coordinator for your Program. Note that your revocation of this consent, or the voiding of this consent upon your completion or withdrawal from the Program, would not be retroactive and would not affect uses or disclosures we have already made according to your prior consent.

3.5 Right to Receive a Copy of This Consent Form - You may request a copy of your signed consent form.

Collection of your personal information is done under the authority of the privacy legislation that applies to educational institutions in your province. For more information visit www.hspcanada.net/privacy/index.asp.

I hereby authorize my educational Program to use and/or disclose my personal information via HSPnet for the purpose of locating and coordinating appropriate student placement(s) as required by the curriculum.

Signature of Student ___________________________ Name/Signature of Parent/Guardian ___________________________ Date ___________________________

(If student is under 18 years of age)

Student Consent Form C – NO TRANSFER + PARENT – Updated June 20, 2011
SCBScN Student Expectations and Professional Accountability Contract

Faculty and staff of the Saskatchewan Collaborative Bachelor of Science in Nursing (SCBScN) program, have responsibility to the Saskatchewan Registered Nurses Association (SRNA), Canadian Nurses Association (CNA), and the general public to ensure that students and graduates of the SCBScN program are competent and professional in their academic performance and nursing practice.

The SCBScN program expects all students to act in a manner which demonstrates an understanding of the professional responsibilities of a nurse. This document serves as a contract, outlining a selection of the behaviours and professional accountability expected of all SCBScN students.

Prior to beginning studies in the SCBScN program, all students must review this document. Students are required to initial the bottom of each page and provide a full signature at the end of the document to demonstrate their understanding and agreement of the SCBScN Student Expectations and Professional Accountability Contract. This contract must be received by the Nursing Student Services office no later than the first day of fall term classes.

Attendance

Students are expected to attend all lectures, labs and clinical experiences. The SCBScN program recognizes circumstances do occur which might affect attendance; however, students will not be excused for absences, regardless of the reason. There is no mechanism for students to make up missed time from lectures, labs and clinical experiences. When students miss lectures, labs and clinical experiences they miss critical nursing knowledge and opportunities to apply their knowledge and skills thereby impacting their ability to provide safe, competent nursing care. The program is obligated to guarantee a minimum number of student attendance hours in the program to ensure that comprehensive learning and evaluation have occurred. Students who miss more than 10% of lectures, labs and/or clinical experiences may be unable to meet the course objectives and therefore, may be removed from the course.

Clinical orientations and other learning experiences that are assigned as mandatory program components must be attended as scheduled, failure to do so will result in withdrawal from the course and may impact progress in the program.

If students are concerned about meeting the attendance requirements, or situations arise during the study term which will affect future attendance, students are expected to inform the program as soon as possible and meet with an academic and/or nursing advisor to discuss support services available and future course planning options.

Social Media

The SCBScN program recognizes and values that social media is a significant aspect of student’s learning in the post-secondary academic environment; however, students are expected to use social media in a responsible, professional and confidential manner. Once a message is posted on the internet, in any form, even when privacy settings are at their most restricted, the posted message is not considered to be private or confidential and must be considered a permanent record online.

It is never appropriate to post messages or photos about clients, patients, clinical placement settings, fellow students, faculty, or staff. Even if the post does not include a name, other details may be used to identify who or what the post is about.

If students are concerned about a situation with another person, the program, clinical placement area, or institutional practice the student is expected to speak directly with the person or program representative involved.

Inappropriate use of social media will be addressed by the SCBScN program and may result in expulsion from the program and/or the University of Regina and Saskatchewan Polytechnic. This contract will be considered the first and only warning about the consequences of inappropriate use of social media.

Program Communication

The four official electronic methods of communication between students and the SCBScN program are UR Webmail, UR Courses, UR Self Service and Health Sciences Placement Network (HSPnet). Students are responsible for monitoring
these systems on a regular basis to ensure they stay informed of all changes, requests and communications concerning the SCBScN program.

Students who do not check their electronic communication systems on a regular basis are at risk of missing key information needed for the successful completion of the SCBScN program. Students need to be aware that forwarding UR Webmail to another email account is unreliable and may result in missing important communications.

**Risk Management**

Students are required to submit various risk management documents by the posted deadlines. Failure to submit these documents on time will prevent student registration in required courses. Since program courses are generally only offered once per year, missing required registrations will result in a delay in program progression.

The required risk management documents and deadlines are:

- **Due by August 1, 2020:**
  - Criminal Record Check and Vulnerable Sector Search
  - Immunization Record and Blood Test Results
  - Basic Life Support (BLS) or CPR Health Care Provider (CPR-HCP)
  - Standard First Aid
  - Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System (WHMIS)

- **Due by December 1, 2020:**
  - Transferring, Lifting, Repositioning (TLR®)
  - Respiratory FIT Testing

- **Renewal every 2 years while in program:**
  - BLS-CPR Health Care Provider
  - Respiratory FIT Testing

- **Renewal every 3 years while in program:**
  - Transferring, Lifting, Repositioning (TLR®)

- **Renewal prior to year 4:**
  - Criminal Record Check and Vulnerable Sector Search

If a change occurs to a student’s Criminal Record Check and Vulnerable Sector Search during the duration of the SCBScN program, the student must notify the Program Head immediately, failure to do so may result in expulsion from the program.

Once immunization records are assessed, it may be recommended for students to receive further vaccines. Students can choose to **not** receive a vaccine; however, they must sign a waiver form acknowledging possible risks by remaining unvaccinated. Many clinical agencies have policies regarding immunizations required by students and have the right to refuse unvaccinated students entry to their environment; this may result in the student being unable to complete the requirements of the clinical rotation.

Additional risk management documents will be required while in the program that are related to specific clinical placements (e.g., Work-Based Learning Contract, Workers Compensation (WCB) forms, Confidentiality Agreements, FIT Testing). Students have a professional responsibility to ensure that they have completed all the risk management requirements.

Students are responsible for regular monitoring of their own risk management documents and ensuring they are up to date. Students can find a record of the information they submitted to the program on HSPnet. Current, up to date risk management documents are requirements for entering the clinical setting. Students who do not present up to date requirements will not be permitted to participate in the clinical experience.

**Professionalism**

The nature of the study and practice of nursing places individuals in a position of trust in relation to clients and in a close relationship with fellow students, colleagues and staff in the university and clinical settings. A student’s performance in a clinical setting that does not meet the expectations of the experience has the potential to cause physical and/or emotional harm to the client, significant others, and/or other health care providers; such performance may damage the reputation of the educational program and institution(s) as well as harm the reputation of the profession of nursing.
As future nurses, students must adhere to professional nursing expectations, values, and ethics, which include respect for inherent dignity and worth of the person, the pursuit of social justice, service to humanity as well as integrity, confidentiality and competence in professional practice. In addition, students must adhere to legal statutes and requirements governing the practice of nursing.

A student in the SCBScN program may be required to discontinue from their program of studies when the student is found to be unsuitable for the profession of nursing through consideration of competence or professional fitness.

University of Regina Undergraduate Calendar and SCBScN Student Handbook

Students are responsible for informing themselves on all University of Regina Undergraduate policies listed in the Undergraduate Calendar (www.uregina.ca) and the SCBScN Student Handbook (Student Portal on UR Courses). All policies listed in the above publications, even if not repeated specifically in this document, are expected to be adhered to by all students.

I, ____________________________________, agree that my signature below reflects that I have read and agree to comply with all terms in this contract. I acknowledge my responsibility to fully understand this document and all policies listed in the University of Regina Undergraduate Calendar and the SCBScN Student Handbook. If I have questions about this document or other policies relating to my university studies, I understand I can seek assistance from an Academic Advisor, Nursing Advisor, Student Advocate, or other forms of Student Support Services.

Consequences for failing to comply with the expectations and responsibilities in this document may include, but are not limited to, placement on probation or performance contact, assignment of failing grades or grade reduction, removal from a course, dismissal from the program, suspension or expulsion from the University of Regina and/or Saskatchewan Polytechnic.

________________________________________  ____________________________
Signature                                    Witness

________________________________________  ____________________________
Student ID #                                 Date
Immunization Requirements for Healthcare Students 2020-21

PLEASE COMPLETE EACH OF THESE STEPS:

Step 1:  □ Submit a copy of your history of immunizations. (This would include childhood, school-age records and possibly immunizations received for employment, travel or post-secondary education). You can contact the Public Health Office in the city/town where you attended elementary and high school to obtain a copy of your immunization records.
  
  • If you are unable to obtain your immunization history (i.e. international/foreign born, records destroyed), please state this in an email to your program.

Step 2:  □ Have your blood tested for the following OR submit the documentation of a previous result for:
  
  • Varicella-zoster IgG
  • Hepatitis B Surface Antibody (HBsAb).

  Please take this notice to your physician or nurse practitioner so they can order your blood tests.

Step 3:  □ Return to your physician or nurse practitioner, as instructed to collect a copy of your blood test results.

Step 4:  □ Please submit a copy of your lab test results and your immunization record(s) to your program.

  Submit all documentation to your program by email; send to reginanursingdocuments@saskpolytech.ca before August 1, 2020

Step 5:  □ Once you have submitted your documentation to the program, the Saskatchewan Polytechnic Campus Health Nurses will review your records. You will be advised of any outstanding requirements once your program begins.

Step 6:  □ Once your program has started, the Campus Health Nurse will update you with any immunizations/TB skin testing required. The program/nurse will notify you of proposed dates/times.

The following is a list of required immunizations for your program.

• Tuberculin Skin Test: within the last 12 months, unless previously positive.
  
  o If previously positive, please submit documentation and a copy of the chest x-ray report.

• Hepatitis B and a blood test confirming Hepatitis B immunity

• MMR (Measles, Mumps, Rubella)

• Tdap

• Polio

• Varicella (Chickenpox) and a blood test confirming Varicella-Zoster immunity.

These requirements must be met before your first clinical practicum. Those failing to complete the required immunizations may be excluded from some areas of clinical practice until the requirements are met.

February 2020
# RISK MANAGEMENT TRAINING PROVIDERS

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## CPR-HCP & BLS TRAINING PROVIDERS

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