

Corona Virus (Covid-19) FAQs for Student School of Health Sciences

What is the current position of the University?

The current position of the University and School of Health Sciences is to continue as usual, following Public Health Wales (PHW) guidance, and guidance from our practice partner organisations and professional bodies whilst our students are in placement in practice areas. In addition, we will be following any guidance from relevant regulatory bodies who validate our professional programmes. We will continue to send any guidance we receive onto students via blackboard announcements.

Links to PHW information has been sent to students via Blackboard links.

Students should follow Health Board and other practice providers policies and guidance provided in their placement areas.

What if I have symptoms?

If you have symptoms please follow national guidance for the public from PHW.

The most up to date information is provided on the Public Health Wales COVID-19 webpages <https://phw.nhs.wales/topics/latest-information-on-novel-coronavirus-covid-19/>

What if I am worried about contracting the virus while in placement and coming home and passing this on to my family and/or significant others?

Follow PHW guidance. If you are very worried, please contact your personal tutor.

What if a patient or service user in my placement area has symptoms of, or is being tested for the virus?

Please follow staff guidance regarding infection prevention and control in the placement area.

What if a patient or service user in my placement area has tested positive for the virus?

Please follow staff guidance regarding infection prevention and control in the placement area.

What if I am breastfeeding my baby or child?

Please follow guidance from Unicef <https://www.unicef.org.uk/coronavirus-facts/>

What if the University closes?

We are currently not anticipating closure of the University. If any decisions are made that will impact on the delivery of any programme, or student attendance in placement, this will be communicated as quickly as possible to students with clear guidance on a plan going forward. We will endeavour to minimise disruption whilst ensuring that we follow national PHW guidance for containment and control of this virus.