**Clinical Preparedness Permit Instructions**

Welcome to the Acute Complex Care program. It is an exciting program and like all health professions, there are health and safety considerations. You protect yourself and your future patients by having up-to-date immunizations. In addition, Ontario legislation requires certain surveillance requirements for those entering practice settings.

Please download your Clinical Permit as soon as possible. **International Students should complete vaccinations / bloodwork *before* coming to Barrie, as it can be costly and time-consuming for you to get these done at walk-in clinics once you are here**. Leaving the permit to the last minute can result in lost clinical experiences as the agencies and institutions where you will be gaining practicum experience require this information.

Here is a summary of what you will need to do:

Before coming to Canada:

Make an appointment with your doctor as soon as possible (refer to clinical preparedness permit for requirement explanations). 

* 2 Step TB test (test – please note this involves **2** separate shots and note timing on permit)
* Immunizations (MMR, Varicella, Polio, Hep B, Tetanus)
* Flu shot (Influenza)

When you get to Canada:

Give your completed Clinical Permit to your Program Coordinator (note: ACC students do not use Synergy for checking the permit requirements)

Book and Complete the Standard First Aid and CPR course (must be **Healthcare Provider Level**– HCP course). Georgian College offers this course through continuing education or you can register for a session at Action First Aid in Barrie (705.720.2978 or https://www.actionfirstaid.ca/georgian). Use GEORGIAN2017 as the promo code for your discount. If you have taken this before, please note, it is only good for one year from date of issue.

You will need to complete a Mask Fit Test (MFT). This will be arranged for your cohort at Georgian College during your first semester. The cost for MFT is ($30- subject to change).

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Obtain a Police Check Letter from your Program Coordinator. Complete and take to the City of Barrie Police Department and request a police check with a Vulnerable Sector Screen. It may take several weeks or even months to obtain your police check result; therefore, you need to initiate the process as soon as possible after you arrive in Canada. On the other hand, you need this to be current (within 3 months of when you start clinical around the middle of April). Ideally, police checks would be dated in February or March. Please be sure to indicate you are an International student so an international search will be completed as part of the process.