



## Clinical Preparedness Permit Instructions

Welcome to the Practical Nursing 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](#) if you haven't done so already. You need to start this now as some of the information may take weeks or even months to collect. 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:

- ✓ 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 and 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.
- ✓ Book a Mask Fit Test on the [Synergy website](#) – these are only being done in early September, so don't miss out. The Synergy flyer is being sent with this memo. There is no charge for your mask fit (included in student fees).
- ✓ Make a doctor or nurse practitioner appointment 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)

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- ✓ Take [Police Check Letter](#) to your local police detachment 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 before you start school. On the other hand, you need this to be current (within 3 months of when you start clinical around the first of November). Ideally, police checks would be dated late August/early September. Don't get this done prior to November if you are a PSW with an exemption and not starting clinical until January. If your local detachment requires a more detailed letter (e.g. Midland or South Simcoe OPP), or an original signature, please email [Sandy Madorin](#) or [Michelle Rouleau](#). Original signed letters are available on our office doors as well in Room M312L or M324H). If you are from Toronto, please contact Michelle Rouleau as soon as possible as this can be a lengthier process.
- ✓ Book an appointment for permit checking with [Synergy](#) (see attached flyer) and ensure that it is signed in all required areas. You should have all your permit items done by your appointment to avoid extra charges. If you have any troubles with Synergy, please email their help desk at [helpdesk@synergy-employment.com](mailto:helpdesk@synergy-employment.com)
- ✓ International students – please try and get your vaccinations/bloodwork done *before* coming to Barrie. It can be costly and time-consuming for you to get these done at walk-in clinics once you are here.