



Manchester
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COLLEGE of PHARMACY,
NATURAL & HEALTH SCIENCES

MASTER of ATHLETIC TRAINING

Student Illness Policy on Communicable Diseases

The Manchester University MAT recognizes the importance of minimizing the exposure of athletes or patients in a clinical setting to communicable diseases. Therefore, it is recommended that athletic training students not report to their clinical site if they have *active* signs or symptoms of a communicable disease. Active signs or symptoms include, but are not limited to: fever, diarrhea, and vomiting.

Athletic Training Students are to immediately notify their assigned preceptor of their status. If an athletic training student feels ill enough to miss more than one day of class or clinical experience, that student should be evaluated by University Health Services or his/her family physician. Upon review by University Health Services or a physician, the student must furnish the MAT Program Director with notification of his/her health status and ability to participate in the required academic and clinical activities of the program.

All students must attend required OSHA and blood-borne pathogen training annually to learn, practice, and be evaluated as successfully performing all skills and tasks that will assist them in limiting their exposure in health care settings. To limit exposure, students are required to use proper hand washing techniques and practice good hygiene at all times. Students are required to use universal precautions at all times when functioning as an athletic training student in a health care setting and/or when working with potential sources of infectious disease.

In the event that a preceptor feels that an athletic training student assigned to his/her site is missing an inordinate amount of time due to adherence to the communicable disease policy, he/she should contact the Manchester University MAT Program Director and/or the Clinical Education Coordinator.

Student Name Printed

Student Signature

Date

MAT Program Director

Date