

COVID-19 Protocols-Symptomatic Resident Students

- Resident students should contact the Wellness Coordinator and/or designee¹ at (570) 945-8255 or Campus Safety (570) 945-8989 to get in contact with the Wellness Coordinator and/or designee if they are not feeling well. The Wellness Coordinator and/or designee will schedule a virtual meeting with the student to discuss their options and coordinate appointments with the Wright Center or Geisinger Care Works in Clarks Summit during regular business hours. For assistance after hours and on weekends, the Wellness Coordinator and/or designee will conduct a virtual meeting with the student and coordinate transportation to an urgent care facility for a visit/possible testing.
- Once the Wellness Coordinator and/or designee becomes aware of a student who may be COVID-19 positive, they will notify the College's COVID-19 Designee, Dr. Vicki Stanavitch, so that she can notify the necessary agencies and also begin to initiate contact tracing protocols.
- The Wellness Coordinator and/or designee will also notify the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs so that instructors can be notified about the student's absence from class.
- Resident students who are symptomatic are encouraged to go to their permanent residence if feasible while they wait for their test results². If this is not possible, the student will be housed in a space designated by Residence Life until they receive a negative test result. Students will not be permitted to remain in student housing if they refuse to isolate under these circumstances.
- If a resident student tests positive and remains on campus, the student will be required to isolate in a designated room until it is safe for them to be around others. Resident students awaiting test results are also required to remain in isolation until a negative test result is received. Meals will be delivered daily to students in isolation and Residence Life

¹ Designees include staff from the Counseling and Well-being Center and Residence Life Professional staff

² Students who live close enough to campus to get home safely without having to stop which may put others at risk, and do not reside with someone who is in a high-risk category

staff and the Wellness Coordinator and/or designee will maintain communication (preferably by phone or video conference) with these students to assist as needed.

- To be cleared to leave isolation, 10 days must have passed, an individual must have improved symptoms, and experience three consecutive days without a fever, without any assistance from fever reducers like Tylenol fever. Written approval from a medical provider must be obtained and provided to the Wellness Coordinator and/or designee prior to students being cleared to resume normal activities. These guidelines have been developed following recommendations from the CDC and will be monitored as new information becomes available.
- Once an individual is approved to be around others again (in consultation with the Wellness Coordinator and/or designee together with a medical provider), a professional cleaning company will thoroughly clean the isolation space.