

Dear New UTA Students,

We congratulate you on admission as a student in our Nursing Program. There are a number of clinical requirements that students must meet in order to begin their clinical experiences.

An increasing number of UTA clinical agencies require evidence of medical insurance coverage before they will allow student access to their settings for learning experiences. This requirement has been established because of the potential for needle stick injuries, which requires immediate treatment and follow-up, as well as the potential for other injuries/emergencies which may occur during clinical rotations.

Effective Fall Semester 2005, all newly admitted UTA nursing students enrolled in clinical course(s), will be required to provide verification of medical insurance coverage that includes Emergency Department coverage and follow-up treatment for needle sticks and blood borne diseases. This mandatory clinical requirement has been approved by the University of Texas System Board of Regents.

As such, UT Arlington will not cover any costs associated with evaluation/care or follow-up treatment in any setting. Students will continue to receive all UTA health services that are standard at the UTA campus.

While the UTA School of Nursing recognizes the financial impact this clinical requirement presents for students, we also support the need for students to have health coverage for sudden illness, needle stick injuries and follow-up treatment, accidents, exposure treatments, or emergencies that may occur during clinical rotations in a variety of clinical agencies.

As with other clinical requirements, you will not be able to begin your clinical rotations without documentation of your compliance. Please contact the School of Nursing for questions or clarification at 817-272-2776.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Elizabeth C. Poster". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned to the left of a vertical red line.

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Dean, UTA School of Nursing

**UTA SCHOOL OF NURSING
VERIFICATION OF MEDICAL INSURANCE**

Several UTA School of Nursing clinical agencies require evidence of medical insurance coverage for clinical assignments due to the potential of needle stick injuries, which requires immediate treatment and follow-up and other injuries/emergencies which may occur during clinical rotations in clinical agencies.

As a UTA Nursing Student enrolled in clinical courses, I recognize the potential for needle stick and other injuries/emergencies that may occur in the clinical agency I am assigned. By signing this form, I am verifying that I have current medical coverage for academic year/semester for needle stick injuries and follow-up treatment and Emergency Department coverage in the event of need for medical attention during clinical hours.

In the event that my health care policy does not provide coverage for a specific treatment or intervention, while in the student role at UTA, I understand that neither UTA nor UT System will cover these costs and that is my financial responsibility.

Student Signature

Date

Name of Insurance Provider

Effective Date

Name of Policy Holder

Fall Semester 200____

Or

Spring Semester 200____

Or

Summer Semester 200____