

Faculty & Instructor COVID Notifications of Illness among Students Office of the Provost Update Version: September 8, 2021

When members of the Emory community are ill, we want to support them. Due to high rates of vaccination, very few Emory faculty, staff, and students are developing COVID19 symptoms. As we are dealing with the pandemic, we are also concerned for our personal health and the wellbeing of other family members and those living in our homes. The following information outlines how (and by whom) faculty and instructors will be notified when a student in his/her/their class is ill.

Faculty will be informed about COVID19+ cases in their classrooms through multiple channels, which are all *need to know* circumstances.

- 1. When a COVID19+ student is relocated to isolation housing or is advised to shelter in place (if living off-campus), the **school or college** will support communication with their instructors and faculty to arrange for <u>academic support for the student</u>.
- 2. If and when an instructor is identified as a close contact of a COVID19+ student, the **contact tracing team** will reach out to the instructor with more information about recommended next steps based on the health status of the student (infectious period, attendance, etc.) and the health status of the instructor and other household members.
- 3. In the event that a possible cluster of COVID19+ students is identified in a class, the school or college **risk mitigation lead** will be contacted by the cluster investigation team, and the risk mitigation lead will reach out to the instructor for more information and deliberation about whether suspension or relocation of instruction might be warranted.

When instructors receive information about students who are ill in a class, they should <u>not</u> relay further communications. Students will receive relevant communications on an as-needed basis in the event they are identified as a close contact or are part of a cluster investigation.

Information about confirmed cases of COVID19 on campus is updated daily on the Emory Forward Dashboard: <u>https://www.emory.edu/forward/covid-19/dashboard/index.html</u>

Details about student contact tracing is found here: <u>https://studenthealth.emory.edu/other/COVID/ContactTracing_COVID.html</u>

Details about faculty and staff contact tracing is found here: <u>https://www.hr.emory.edu/eu/working-covid-19/contact-tracing.html</u>