



BSN Program Requirement | Procedure

Student Injury or Exposure During Practice and Insurance Coverage

Injury or Exposure

A student who is injured in any way or exposed to a life-threatening reportable disease during a practice experience (including needle stick injuries) should immediately inform the practice teacher and follow the facility's notification & treatment procedure(s). In most cases and as soon as possible, the student should be referred to the facility's Employee Health Services (i.e. Emergency Department or Occupational Health & Safety) for assessment and potential treatment.

In the event of injury or exposure, the following report is to be completed by the student. Please refer to the linked form for further completion instructions. Once completed, the practice teacher will receive an email notification with a link to complete the accident/incident report.

- [UBC Student and Visitor Incident/Accident Online Form](#)

WorkSafeBC Coverage for Practicum Students

Students are now covered under WorkSafeBC and are eligible for Workers' Compensation if they suffer a work-related illness or injury as a result of an accident/incident that occurred while completing a practice experience. The University of British Columbia Okanagan in compliance with WorkSafeBC, requires that all accidents/incidents be reported to the Risk Management Services office within 24 hours of the occurrence by completing the above noted UBC Student and Visitor Incident/Accident Online Form.

If a practicum student has seen a doctor or has missed time from work as a result of a work-related injury/illness, the student should indicate this on their Incident/Accident Report, and UBC Risk Management will follow up accordingly.

For more information or questions, you can contact the Risk Management Services office at 250.807.8859 or email riskmanagement.ok@ubc.ca. The website can be accessed by clicking [here](#).

Out-of-Province Practicum

WorkSafeBC coverage is for workers who are injured while on the job in British Columbia. Students working outside of BC should confirm coverage with the province or country in which they will be on practicum. It is advisable that students obtain their own medical insurance for out-of-country placements.

Insurance

Students must have BC Medical Services Plan (MSP) or its equivalent from another province in place in order to be eligible for basic medical care in the event an injury is sustained. Risk Management Services requires all students completing a practice experience to hold a Student Accident Insurance policy. This is insurance above and beyond MSP. It provides a measure of excess medical coverage for the benefit of UBC Nursing students performing course work in environments where the risk of injury is greater than in a classroom setting. For example, skills labs or practice settings. Please refer to the [Student Accident Insurance](#) policy for coverage details. The fee is paid when you pay your annual Program Fees (these are in addition to tuition/student fees) in September of each year. Students who have not paid their Program Fees have not paid the premium for this coverage, and may be withdrawn from the practice course, which in turn may result in an inability to progress in the program.

Mandatory Extended Health Plan

Most students are unaware they are enrolled in the extended health plan through UBC Okanagan. Students pay the fees for this health plan as a part of their annual fees. To opt out of this coverage, students must show proof of other extended health and dental benefits. For more information on this please visit [UBCSUO's Extended Health & Dental Plan](#).