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**Re: Mandatory Requirement for Police Records Check Vulnerable Sector Screen for McMaster University
Faculty of Health Sciences Incoming and Returning Students**

Please note that students entering clinically based programs in the Faculty of Health Sciences include:

Child Life & Pediatric Psychosocial Care
Midwifery Education Program
Occupational Therapy Program
Physician Assistant Education Program
Physiotherapy Program
Postgraduate Nursing Program
Primary Health Care Nurse Practitioner
Speech-Language Pathology Program
Undergraduate Nursing Program
Undergraduate Medical Program

and are required to complete a Vulnerable Sector Screen, which is a mandatory requirement for their unpaid clinical placements.

Location(s): McMaster University/Children's Hospital, Hamilton Health Sciences, distributed campuses and affiliated clinics in the Hamilton area and/or various sites in Southwestern Ontario (actual placement sites not determined until the start of term)

Population: Children and adults with disabilities or health concerns

Care Provision: Primary and tertiary clinical care

Students are instructed to obtain two original copies of their Police Records Check. One copy to be submitted to the Professionalism Office (1280 Main Street W. MDCL 3514, Hamilton, ON L8S 4K1) which will not be returned and one copy to be kept for their own records as placement sites may request proof of documentation. If a student is unable to obtain two original copies please contact the Professionalism Office immediately and submit your one original copy with a self-addressed stamped envelope (SASE). Once the Professionalism Office verifies that your local Police Services will not issue multiple copies then your original check will be returned to you via your SASE.

For requests to the Toronto Police Services or for further information please refer to our website
https://fhs.mcmaster.ca/pcbe/police_records_check.html.

Please contact me if you have any questions or concerns.


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