50501 Communicable Diseases

The College is committed to preventing, or minimizing, the spread of communicable diseases at its facilities. The course of action taken by the College in each incidence of confirmed or suspected exposure to communicable disease(s) at College facilities shall be determined on an individual case-by-case basis based on the particular attendant facts and circumstances.

Students with an identified communicable disease may attend classes and activities at the College when the risk of transmission of the disease to others, and the risk of further injury to the student, is sufficiently remote in such setting so as to be outweighed by the detrimental effects resulting from the student's exclusion from work, College classes and activities. In determining a course of action to be taken, the College will consider all relevant factors, including, but not limited to:

- (1) The physical condition of the student;
- (2) The expected type of interaction the student will have with others in the College setting;
- (3) The potential risk factors for the student and others in the College setting; and,
- (4) The current available public health department guidelines and advice concerning the particular disease involved, and all other attendant circumstances.

The President will establish procedures for the implementation of this policy that take into account the students' right to continued participation in and attendance at College classes and activities, the risk of the student transmitting the disease to others and the right of others to be free from the risk of exposure to a communicable disease which may affect their health, safety and welfare. The College will provide students with the due process afforded to them under the law to the best of its ability under the circumstances.

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