

**Clinical Preparedness Permit – Dental Assisting program****GEORGIAN COLLEGE HEALTH, WELLNESS AND SCIENCES****CLINICAL PREPAREDNESS PERMIT FOR DNAS**

**Notice:** Upon your **acceptance** into this program, it is your **responsibility** to start and meet all of the requirements outlined below. This process will take **10 – 12 weeks** to complete and it is your sole responsibility to ensure you maintain and update these requirements as needed for the duration of your program.

This is the Georgian College Health, Wellness and Sciences Clinical Preparedness Permit for Dental Assisting students. Georgian College works in collaboration with Synergy Gateway, a third party, for recordkeeping and tracking program requirements. **Georgian College reserves the right to issue a pass or a fail for a clinical permit.**

If you **fail** to MEET these requirements by the given deadline, you **will be excluded** from clinical practice which can jeopardize your academic standing and lead to program **withdrawal without refund**. All costs, service fees and fines associated with the overall requirements and potentially the program withdrawal are the responsibility of the student.

\_\_\_\_\_ Student Initials

**MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS – Due Week 12**

*Please contact your program coordinator for exact due date.*

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**Please read and follow all details and instructions in this document. All original documents must be uploaded for your permit checking appointment.**

- ✓ Police Check Vulnerable Sector Check
- ✓ Standard First Aid Certificate Card
- ✓ CPR (Level HCP or BLS) Certificate Card
- ✓ Mask Fit Test Certificate Card
- ✓ WHMIS Certificate
- ✓ Ministry of Labour Worker Safety and Awareness Certificate
- ✓ WSIB Declaration
- ✓ Combined Confidentiality, Conflict of Interest and Clinical Permit form
- ✓ Any other requirements specific to your status or program (*see #10*)
- ✓ Fill-out & complete all of the top sections with your Name and Student number
- ✓ Synergy Gateway – Electronic Student Permit Checking Appointment & Service Fees

Once you have everything completed and uploaded to your profile on the Verified platform by Synergy Gateway, your **FINAL STEP** is to book an appointment with Synergy Gateway online at <https://verified.sgappserver.com/>. It is mandatory that you submit all of the original documents and pay the Service Fees at your scheduled appointment.

**Synergy Gateway, a third party, will review your submissions.** There is a cost to the student to have these documents reviewed so ensure everything is in order. Please **DO NOT** book a Permit Checking Appointment with INCOMPLETE forms, otherwise they will **charge you** a Follow up Appointment Fee.

You must begin completion of this information **as soon as possible** as some of the components may take weeks, even months. Read through and familiarize yourself with all of the components. If you have any questions please contact your program coordinator or Synergy Gateway Help Desk: [www.synergyhelps.com](http://www.synergyhelps.com).

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**MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS**

**1. POLICE VULNERABLE SECTOR CHECK (PVSC) – Valid for 12 months**

**Notice:** Health Sciences students are required to provide a current Police Vulnerable Sector Check (PVSC) from a recognized police service. **Individuals who have been charged or, convicted criminally and not pardoned, will be prohibited from proceeding to a clinical or work placement** as per Georgian College Academic Policy 2.7:

<http://cat.georgiancollege.ca/academic-regulations/admissions/> and Policy 4.2.3:

<http://cat.georgiancollege.ca/academic-regulations/registration/>.

Students should check their Program Outline for more information. These checks are required prior to the placement start.

Accordingly, if a student is registering in a program with a clinical placement component, it is the **student's responsibility to ensure that they are eligible to participate**. Further, Georgian College assumes no responsibility for these matters and students should be aware that tuition and related fees would not be refunded in the event that access to a clinical or placement course is denied. Students should also be aware that some professions and licensing boards also have a criminal record check provision to ensure suitability to practice in the profession. Accordingly, it is recommended that students who have a criminal record contact the appropriate professional association or licensing agency prior to starting their college studies. The costs associated with the provision of the criminal record check are to be borne by the student.

**Required annually in lieu of a new record check:** The initial check for Dental Assisting students is valid for 12 months. Students are required to sign the Clinical Placement Criminal Record/Vulnerable Sector Check Declaration Form and upload to Synergy Gateway.

**Please note:** depending on the police service this process may take 12 weeks or more, so be sure to apply early.

**For students who currently reside in Barrie:**

- To apply or renew your Barrie Police vulnerable sector check, please find all instructions on their [website](#).

**For students who currently reside in South Simcoe or Toronto region:**

- To apply or renew your South Simcoe Police or Toronto Police check, please email the [Clinical Placement Office](#) for instructions.
- It is mandatory that you bring your student card and a government issued photo ID card at your scheduled appointment.
- Please **do not** apply or pay at your **local** South Simcoe or Toronto Police Station or any **third-party** agency, as it will **NOT** be a valid police check. You must follow the instructions above.

**For students who currently reside in an area serviced by the Ontario Provincial Police:**

- If you live in an area serviced by the Ontario Provincial Police, you will require a letter stating that you are a Georgian College student in order to pay the student rate. These can be found under Important Forms on your Synergy Gateway profile. If you are a new student, and do not yet have access to Synergy, please email the [Clinical Placement Office](#) for the letter.
- All checks are currently being completed in a central department. Please visit the [Ontario Provincial Police website](#) for specific instructions.

**2. STANDARD FIRST AID, refer to card for expiry date** - Standard First Aid is required upon entry into the program. In person, blended (online + in-person) or online courses are all accepted.

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CPR at the Health Care Provider Level (HCP) is **required yearly, regardless of the expiry date on the card**. It is the **student's responsibility** to ensure that the certificate is current throughout the program. Blended (online + in-person) courses are accepted. Those that are **ONLY** online are NOT accepted.

**4. RESPIRATOR MASK FIT TESTING, required every two years – Dental students require a specific brand of mask for our clinics. If you are a dental student obtaining a mask fit outside of the college please check with your Program Coordinator to ensure you select the correct brand.**

Mask Fit Tests are a student expense that is not included in other fees. Georgian College will arrange for on-campus mask fit testing early in first semester. Mask Fit requirements are subject to more frequent change than what would be typical as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Please note: You are unable to complete the Fit Testing if you have facial hair, injury or piercings that interfere with respirator use. If you lose/gain a significant amount of facial weight or experience changes in your facial shape, i.e. trauma, surgery or pregnancy, fit testing should be repeated earlier than two years.

**5. WHMIS CERTIFICATE**

The WHMIS module is available through this link:

[Http://portal.mycampus.ca/mycampusfiles/dc/fieldplacement/WHMIS/story.html](http://portal.mycampus.ca/mycampusfiles/dc/fieldplacement/WHMIS/story.html)

**Students require a minimum grade of 80% to pass.** Please print your certificate following completion of the module, remembering to select Georgian College so it appears on the certificate.

**6. MINISTRY OF LABOUR – WORKER AND SAFETY AWARENESS CERTIFICATE**

This certification is available on the Ministry of Labour website, via a free eLearning module. Students must access the eLearning module from any computer, complete the training and print the certificate of completion.

It is crucial you print your own certificate at the time of completion because the Ministry does not maintain a database. You need to complete the module in a single sitting, it is not possible to stop part way through and resume at a later time/date. The website indicates that the module takes 45-60 minutes to complete.

To access the eLearning module:

1. Use a computer with audio and a printer.
2. Visit this website: <https://www.labour.gov.on.ca/english/hs/elearn/worker/foursteps.php>
3. Click the link titled "Access the eLearning Module".
4. Complete the eLearning module.
5. Print your certificate of completion.
6. Keep your printed certificate of completion with your permit and upload to your Verified profile.

**7. WSIB STUDENT DECLARATION**

The WSIB Student Declaration form is available in the Important Forms tab on Synergy Gateway's Verified system. By signing the form, students acknowledge they have read and understand that WSIB or private insurance coverage will be provided through the Ministry of Colleges and Universities while they are in their unpaid clinical placement that is required by their program of study. They also agree to immediately report any workplace related injury or disease to their placement agency as well as my Georgian College Monitor/Placement Supervisor.

**8. COMBINED CONFIDENTIALITY, CONFLICT OF INTEREST, CLINICAL PERMIT FORM**

The combined form is available in the Important Forms tab on Synergy Gateway's Verified system.

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9. **IPAC Competencies:** Dental Assisting students are required to complete the seven (7) Core Competency modules the nine (9) Reprocessing in Community Health Care Setting modules for Infection Prevention and Control for Public Health Ontario.

**IPAC Core Competency Modules**

Occupational Health and Safety  
Chain of Transmission and Risk Assessment  
Healthcare Provider Controls  
Control of the Environment  
Administrative Controls  
Additional Precautions  
Personal Risk Assessment in Community-Clinic

**Reprocessing in Community Health Care Setting**

Introduction to Reprocessing  
Reprocessing-Disinfection  
Reprocessing-Loading a Sterilizer  
Reprocessing-Packaging for Sterilization  
Reprocessing-PPE for Reprocessing  
Reprocessing-Steam Sterilization  
Reprocessing-Sterilizer  
Reprocessing-Transportation and Storage  
Reprocessing-Unloading a Sterilizer

Once each module is complete, please print the certificate as proof of completion. *Please be prepared to take a screenshot or print-screen in case there is any issue with the website and you are unable to print.*

You will need to register for a free account to access the modules. You can access Public Health Ontario [here](#), scroll down for the link to the Online Learning Modules.

**10. For INTERNATIONAL students ONLY – Work Permit:**

The Canadian Government requires that International students in a program with a placement component have a valid International Student Co-op Work Permit. The Co-op Work Permit requirement is mandatory and must be completed before you begin placement. Please see page 3 of this document for more information.

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## Synergy Gateway Information:

To assist you in completing and verifying you have met Georgian College's Clinical Preparedness Permit requirements, you will be provided access to [Verified](#)- a software platform by Synergy Gateway, via a secure username and password (check your school email). You will use [Verified](#) to book your permit checking appointments, upload this form along with supporting documentation requirements and check your clinical placement eligibility status.

To access [Verified](#): <https://verified.sgappserver.com/>

**Need help?** Open a ticket through Synergy Gateway's Help Desk by visiting: [www.synergyhelps.com](http://www.synergyhelps.com)

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Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Program: \_\_\_\_\_

I, \_\_\_\_\_ (Print Name), understand that any false statement is grounds for cancellation of admission.

I understand that the college has the right to cancel my admission privilege based on medical information submitted or withheld. I understand that it is my responsibility to inform my Program Coordinator of any communicable disease, special need, exception or medical condition, which may place me at risk or pose a risk to others at Georgian College or on placement.

I will pay all the services fees and authorize Synergy Gateway to review the above information.

I have read and understand what a "Failed Permit" means as stated on Page 4 of the Information Package.

X \_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature)\_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)**Student to read and sign regarding immunizations:**

While Georgian College does not require me to provide evidence of immunity or vaccination for vaccine preventable diseases, I understand that I may be at a greater risk of contracting potentially life-threatening illnesses while participating in my placement if I am not immunized.

X \_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature)\_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)**ELEMENT OF RISK**

All experiential learning programs, such as field trips, clinical and field placements or job shadowing involve certain elements of risk. These may occur while participating in experiential learning activities without any fault of the student, the placement or the college. By taking part in these activities, I am accepting that there are certain risks and dangers including but not limited to illness, infection, bodily injury, or exposure to communicable diseases. By signing below I hereby release Georgian College, its employees, board of governors, faculty, agents, contractors and assign ("Releasees") and waive any and all claims that I have or may in the future have against the Releasees and to release the Releasees from any and all liability for any loss, damage, expense or injury including death that I may suffer, or that my next of kin may suffer as a result of my participation in activities, due to any cause whatsoever, including but not limited to, negligence, or breach of any statutory or other duty of care, including the failure on the part of the Releasees to take reasonable steps to safeguard or protect me from the risks, dangers and hazards of the activities referred to above. This Release Agreement shall be effective and binding upon my heirs, next of kin, executors, administrators, assigns and representatives, in the event of my death or incapacity.

X \_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature)\_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION AND PROTECTION OF INDIVIDUAL PRIVACY ACT The personal information on this form is collected under the legal authority of the Colleges and Universities Act, R.S.O. 1980, Chapter 272, Section 5, R.R.O. 1990, Regulation 77 and the Public Hospital Act R.S.O. 1980 Chapter 410, R.S.O. 1986, Regulations 65 to 71 and in accordance with the requirements of the legal Agreement between the College and the agencies which provide clinical experience for students. The information is used to ensure the safety and wellbeing of students and clients in their care.