



What is VACS? The WV Vaccination Assistance, Collaboration and Support Team. This team consists of students and faculty of Health Sciences learners to assist in the vaccine distribution throughout the state. Nursing students are one of the groups of Health Sciences learners that will be participating in this volunteer program. Skylar Upton is the coordinating the WV VACS Team (funded through grant). If you have questions, email the project at WVVACSTEAM@hsc.wvu.edu.

FAQS:

Liability protection: BRIM agrees that whether a volunteer or in a student role, the students should be theoretically covered by BRIM. This is of course tempered with “I can’t make a judgement unless I know the exact situation”.

WVREDI: WVREDI registration will be required for all student participants. This will provide an extra layer liability protection as volunteers.

Regulatory Boards: All regulatory boards were contacted, and none indicated concerns.

All students will be provided with appropriate PPE at the site.

All students should be vaccinated prior to participation in this project.

If a student should have a needlestick injury, they will follow the protocol in place for their school or program.

All students should wear the T-shirts provided as part of the project, as well as their school ID while participating (as appropriate).

Some funding toward reimbursement of students for travel to sites if they are volunteering outside of their curriculum is available.

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