## AMERICAN UNIVERSITY



Health and Safety Directive: COVID-19 Testing

Effective Date: August 15, 2020

## A. Requirements

- 1. To protect the health and well-being of the University campus and the surrounding community, all University housing and University-controlled housing students will be required to participate in mandatory COVID-19 testing within forty-eight (48) hours of arrival.
  - a. Students living in University housing or University-controlled off-campus housing shall be subject to and required to participate in COVID-19 testing at the Student Health Center. Participation in COVID-19 testing shall be a condition to living in University housing.
  - b. The University may conduct surveillance testing of students at any time, in order to monitor the community spread of COVID-19 on the University campus or in University-controlled off-campus housing. Surveillance testing is the random testing of students who are selected for COVID-19 testing.
- 2. Additional Mandatory Testing Requirements for all Students
  - a. Upon request, each student shall be required to submit to additional COVID-19 testing.
  - b. In the event that a student is identified through contact tracing as a close contact of someone who has received a positive COVID-19 test result, the student must contact the Student Health Center or a community testing center to schedule a COVID-19 test and shall self-quarantine for a minimum of fourteen (14) days. Please refer to the Health and Safety Directive: Requirements Following COVID-19 Exposure, Positive Test, or Suspected Infection for further information on quarantine procedures.
- 3. Voluntary Testing of Students, Faculty and Staff
  - a. Voluntary Covid-19 tests are available to any student, regardless of residential status, at the Student Health Center. Students may also utilize alternate COVID-19 testing locations in the District of Columbia or in the jurisdiction where they reside.
  - b. Faculty and staff are encouraged to take a COVID-19 test, prior to

returning to their on-campus duties. COVID-19 testing may be obtained through a primary care physician or through a community testing center. Teleworking faculty and staff are directed to utilize alternate COVID-19 testing locations in the District of Columbia or in the jurisdiction where they reside.

## B. Enforcement

Failure to comply with this Directive constitutes misconduct that is actionable under the Student Conduct Code. Repeated violations by students may result in disciplinary action, up to and including removal from University housing and restriction from the premises.