Personal Care Attendant (PCA) Agreement

Part I – Agreement to PCA Policy

Printed PCA’s Name: _____________________________________________________

Printed Resident’s Name: ___________________________________________________

I have hired the PCA named above, read the PCA policy and agree to abide by it in its entirety:

Resident’s Signature: ______________________________________________ Date: _____________

I have read the PCA policy and agree to abide by it in its entirety:

PCA’s Signature: _________________________________________________ Date: _____________

Part II – For PCAs with an on-campus housing assignment as part of their PCA duties

The PCA must complete the Meningococcal Disease Vaccination Statement and the Guardrail Information and Waiver below:

Meningococcal Disease Vaccination Statement

In accordance with the recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, newly admitted students who are 18 years of age or older residing in campus housing as defined by the postsecondary educational institution or residing in sorority or fraternity houses shall be required to sign a document provided by the postsecondary educational institution stating that he or she has received a vaccination against meningococcal disease not more than five years prior to such admittance or reviewed the information provided as required. If a student is a minor, only a parent or guardian may sign such document.

Information about meningococcal disease and the vaccine are included as part of the UGA Housing contract for UGA on-campus housing and require signature of the student or parent (if student is under the age of 18).

- Meningitis is an infection of the fluid of a person’s spinal cord and brain. The two major types are viral and bacterial.
- Meningococcal disease is a contagious, but largely preventable infection of the spinal cord fluid and the fluid that surrounds the brain.
- Meningococcal disease is spread by close contact of respiratory secretions, such as drinking directly after someone, kissing, and sharing utensils, or by being coughed or sneezed upon. It is not spread by being in the same classroom or by passing someone on the street.
- Meningococcal disease is a serious disease that can lead to death within only a few hours of onset; one in ten cases is fatal; and one in seven survivors of the disease is left with a severe disability, such as the loss of a limb, developmental disability, paralysis, deafness or seizures.
- Scientific evidence suggests that college students living in dormitory facilities are at a moderately increased risk of contracting meningococcal disease.
- Immunization against meningococcal disease will decrease the risk of the disease.

ACIP recommendations for college students living in residence halls

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First-year college students living in residence halls should receive at least one (1) dose of MenACWY (Menactra or Menveo) before college entry. The preferred time of the most recent dose is on or after their 16th birthday.

If only one (1) does of the vaccine was administered before the 16th birthday, a booster dose should be administered before enrollment.

Some schools, colleges and universities have policies requiring vaccination against meningococcal disease as a condition of enrollment for either, incoming first-year students living in residence halls or all incoming first-year students. For ease of program implementation, persons aged 21 years of age or younger should have documentation of receipt of meningococcal conjugate vaccine not more than five (5) years before enrollment.

A second vaccine series for Meningitis B may be administered to adolescents and young adults aged 16-23 years to provide short-term protection against most strains of serogroup B meningococcal disease. The preferred age for MenB vaccination is 16-18 years. MenB vaccine should either be administered as a three-dose series (Turmenba) or a two-dose servies (Bexero).

Additional information about Meningococcal disease and vaccines can be found at [https://www.uhs.uga.edu/healthtopics/meningitis](https://www.uhs.uga.edu/healthtopics/meningitis).

☐ I indicate I have received a vaccination against meningococcal disease not more than five years before admittance or have reviewed the information provided above regarding Georgia State Law regarding meningococcal vaccinations.

Guardrails; Choice to Use Guardrails; Waiver of Liability

Each resident is provided with one guardrail for a room that contains an adjustable height bed. The resident is responsible for requesting a second guard rail if the resident changes the room configuration and moves the side of the bed away from the wall. By execution of this agreement, the resident acknowledges and understands the risks the resident may encounter should the resident fail to keep the initial guardrail in place or request a second rail, specifically the risk of injury or potential fatality that may result from falling. Having been informed of and understanding the inherent risks should the resident remove the guard rail or fail to have a second rail installed, the resident assumes all liability for harm or injury to the resident and/or to the resident’s guests. Accordingly, for the consideration specified in this contract, the resident hereby releases, waives, discharges and covenants not to sue University Housing, the University, the Board of Regents, or its officers, servants, agents or employees (hereinafter referred to as “releasees”) for any liability, claim and/or cause of action arising out of or related to any loss, damage or injury, including death that may be sustained by the resident or the resident’s guests or to any property belonging to the student or the student’s guests arising out of the use of an adjustable height bed while living in University Housing. The student confirms this release shall be effective whether injury is caused by the student’s negligence, the negligence of the releasees or the negligence of any third party.

☐ I indicate I have reviewed the above information about guardrails, the choice to use guardrails and the waiver of liability.

If the resident resides in an apartment at University Village or the Health Sciences Campus, the PCA must complete the Lead-Based Paint Statement below:

Lead Warning Disclosure

Housing built before 1978 may contain lead-based paint. Lead from paint, paint chips and dust can pose health hazards if not managed properly. Lead exposure is especially harmful to young children and pregnant women. Before allowing occupants to live in pre-1978 housing, University Housing must disclose the presence of known lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards in that dwelling. The Environmental Protection Agency publishes a document that provides information on lead poisoning prevention titled "Protect Your Family from Lead in Your Home," which can be found at:


Upon request, written copies of this document will be provided at the University Village or Health Sciences Campus Community Offices.

There are known lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards present in University Housing. In the Rogers Road apartments (Buildings M-S), testing has revealed lead paint on interior door jambs and casings and common/storage area door jambs and casings. In general, the painted surfaces containing lead are in good condition, with slight chipping in some areas. In University Village apartments (Buildings A-L), no painted surfaces were identified as containing lead. The Brandon Oaks apartments (Buildings T-V) were built after 1978 when lead-based paints were no longer used. In the Kenny Road units (Buildings A-F), testing has revealed lead paint on metal support columns between the dining room and hallway and on exterior metal vents. Known lead paint was abated in University Housing Policy and Procedures Manual
McGowan Road apartments (Buildings G-M). In Gilmore Circle houses, testing has revealed lead paint on exterior door frames, walls in some kitchen and laundry areas, and walls of some closets. University Housing maintains all test results on file, which are available upon request.

☐ By checking this box and signing below, I acknowledge I have been provided information about lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards that may exist in University Housing apartments.

PCA’s Signature: __________________________________ Date: _____________

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