

Student Health Advisory Committee (SHAC)

Stony Brook University

Tuesday, March 9, 2021 4:30 pm – 5:30 pm – Zoom Call

Meeting called to order at 4:30pm

Attendance Taken:

- o Alexander Kutsupis
- o Cindy Baez
- o Jack Bauer
- o Jennifer Kustanovich
- o Julian Pessier
- o Olive Calonge
- o Smita Majumdar Das
- o Arianna Reiher
- o Gina Ferrara
- o Kenny Desai
- o Marisa Bisiani
- o Rachel Bergeson
- o Rimsha Farooq
- o Robert Ansbach
- o Sowad Karim
- o Tejaswi Gorde
- o Tiffany Martin
- o Nikhil Bamarajpet
- o Chuankai Chen
- o Ocean Karim
- o Cindy Baez

Welcome: Smita welcomed everyone.

Vote into record February 9, 2020 SHAC Meeting Minutes.

- o **Approved (none opposed)**

Student Health Services Update (Dr. Marisa Bisiani & Dr. Rachel Bergeson):

- **Update on SBU's response to COVID:**
 - Eligibility for students working at the Covid test sites - Dr. Bisiani confirmed that students who work on the test sites are eligible for the vaccine. Notifications were sent to students who work on Covid testing sites with information about one employee pod available.
 - SHS is advising students who are eligible to keep checking the "Am I Eligible New York State website.
 - Enzo Covid Testing Bills - What do I do if I receive a bill from Enzo? We have added this question to the Frequently Asked Questions. If you receive a bill from Enzo, you are to first call Enzo as they may have incorrect insurance information. If, after you verify with Enzo that they have all of your accurate insurance information and they still produce a bill then you are to contact Tiffany Martin, Coordinator for Student Health, Wellness & Prevention Services, she will then contact Enzo, and we will move forward with how to get that paid for you.
 - If student insurance will not cover the bill, then the University will pay, students are not responsible for paying.
 - Covid testing updates - the University is doing very well. Residential testing centers are averaging about 1300 tests per day. Commuter and employee test sites are averaging about 650 tests per day.
 - The Pandemic Health and Safety Policy has been updated to reflect the travel changes.
 - Vaccination updates - CDC just released guidance yesterday stating that if you're with your close family members, you could take off your facial covering if you are fully vaccinated. With that, even if you are fully vaccinated you are still following all of the rules; getting tested; wearing a facial covering; if you are symptomatic you're still being asked to get tested. Just because you are fully vaccinated does not mean you cannot get Covid.
 - CPO is going to be doing a campaign with SBVAC to talk and educate the student community about what it means to be vaccinated.

Questions for Student Health Services:

- Population Density on campus for Fall 2021 - We have the capacity to house approximately 11,000- 12,000 students, currently we are house 4,700 students. We are going to follow the science, and we will house as many students as we can safely. Vaccination and testing will play a role, however we will follow the state guidance.

- Vaccination is not a University requirement currently, this is something that would come from SUNY. From a public health standpoint, Stony Brook does encourage vaccination.
- Mandatory Testing on campus - This policy was established by SUNY, brought forth by the Chancellor, that all campuses have to participate in surveillance testing.
- Commuter testing compliance - We have a few different ways to check to see if commuters are on campus including Campus Clear, student schedules, we measure the frequency of face to face classes.
- Food Service Workers Vaccine Eligibility - Yes, individuals who work in the food service industry are eligible to receive the vaccine.
- Is there a need for more vaccinators at the University - Currently, we do not have a need for more vaccinators, however we will consider this when SHS is able to have pods for students.
- Off campus fully vaccinated guests - No policies have been developed to allow for off campus fully vaccinated guests. Please note, we cannot take guidance into consideration unless the department of health adopts the guidance.
- Graduate/Undergraduate Quarantine/Isolation accommodations - All graduate students receive the same quarantine/isolation accommodations as resident students.

CAPS Update (Dr. Julian Pessier):

- Southampton - CAPS is establishing a presence on the Southampton campus, 1 day per week on the second floor of the Library.
- Individual/Group Therapy has been very busy. Telecounseling will continue, CAPS is looking at a hybrid model.
- We are seeing a 30% increase in volume of the group therapy program this semester.

Questions for CAPS:

- CAPS is working on building a strong social media presence, and the marketing plan is still a work in progress. CAPS has a marketing partnership with CPO, in which they will assist in reaching out to the student community.
 - CPO put together a powerpoint in conjunction with the Student Health, Wellness & Prevention Team with different video messages

including peer educators talking to students about mind on the minute, how to keep themselves healthy, and mentally healthy. The 45 minute loop also offers different services offered and how to register for programs.

CPO Update (Dr. Smita Majumdar Das):

- CPO doors are open, we have a front desk person available to greet students.
- Menstrual hygiene products, and condoms are available at CPO. We have Peer Educators tabling every Tuesday at certain times so look to social media to see what times they will be available for you to come in.
- Materials can be requested through the CPO request form, and you can schedule a time to come and pick-up those materials.
- Survivor advocate services are back on campus. So if anyone wants to schedule an appointment and come in and talk please feel free to. We are practicing and following all social distancing guidelines, wearing facial coverings.
- Virtual training is available including healthier certificate, bystander training, narcan training room with in-person training available to those who are comfortable.
- Peer educators are still working online providing workshops and different videos engaging with the campus community.
- CPO will be doing some PSA for vaccinations before students are eligible.
- Spring Brook Staycation update - Check the website for all different adventures being offered & sign up!

Meeting adjourned at 5:30pm.