Volunteer Policy

The following policy guidelines are in place for volunteers, students from other institutions and observers within the Mount Sinai Health System (MSHS). All volunteers and students from other institutions permitted onsite at MSHS must comply with COVID-19 Safety Guidelines. Local supervisors will be responsible for overseeing compliance with infection prevention guidelines. Hospital Presidents or Chief Medical Officers may impose site-specific restrictions and departmentally led programs may also impose programmatic-specific restrictions. All volunteers must be fully vaccinated against COVID-19 (2 weeks past the 2nd dose of the Pfizer/Moderna vaccine or the 1st dose of J&J). Exemptions from COVID-19 vaccination will not be considered.

Currently Registered Volunteers:
Volunteer programming will resume at full capacity over the next three months. The pace of re-opening will be determined on a site-specific basis. Infection Prevention will be consulted prior to the resumption of volunteer assignments that involve direct patient care. Employee Health Service (EHS) clearance is required for volunteers returning to service.

New Applications:
Applications for new volunteers are resumed. See other detail in Currently Registered Volunteers above.

Students:
MSHS continues to honor its commitment to students of other institutions currently participating in an educational experience for academic credit at MSHS. All programs offering experiences for academic credit should have an agreement in place between MSHS and the sponsoring institution. Please email the Contract Policy and Review Office (CPR) at CPRO@mssm.edu for an agreement template and details about how to execute the agreement. Departments/programs are also now permitted to host students who seek a less structured experience which isn’t directly tied to academic credit. Students must be fully vaccinated prior to starting onsite activities. For any student visa-related questions, please contact Nadia Hernandez in the International Personnel office at Nadia.Hernandez2@mountsinai.org.

Observers:
Programs or requests for individual domestic or international observers remain suspended.