



Dear Fraternity and Sorority Housing Corporation Partners and Advisors,

As you know, UNC's Office of Fraternity and Sorority Life has been busy preparing for the return of students next month. We have been in regular communication with you throughout the summer regarding the importance of compliance with the University's community standards, as well local and state public health requirements. In coordination with the Orange County Health Department, we have also provided templates to you so that each chapter could develop house-specific plans for mitigating the spread of COVID-19. In order to help foster a safe and healthy environment for our members, this is an important reminder that the Orange County Health Department needs the following information for our fraternity and sorority houses by August 1<sup>st</sup>:

1. Written COVID-19 Safety Plans (this needs to include plans as to what will happen if the University must pivot to all remote instruction) and how they will comply with new temporary maximum occupancy limits and other guidelines outlined in Executive Order 141
2. Confirmation that orientation to the plan and related training has been or will be provided for all house staff (house directors, cooks, housekeepers, etc.) prior to the start of the Fall 2020 semester
3. Creation of a well-developed plan for addressing exposure to a COVID-19 positive resident or guest and a plan for mitigating further spread (what will be the process if a student tests positive? And where will these students be placed to quarantine?) **Isolation and quarantine spaces on campus are limited and primarily intended to support on-campus residents. It is highly unlikely that the University will have the capacity to provide isolation/quarantine space for off-campus residents, including students living in fraternity and sorority houses**
4. Confirmation that each house is maintaining screening logs and a roster of guests
5. Documented logs of cleaning and disinfection

Please consult the Fire Marshal's office if any house leadership needs to calculate Emergency Maximum Occupancy. Signage must be posted in the food service area in accordance with Executive Order 141. The Executive Order can be found here: <https://governor.nc.gov/documents/executive-order-no-141>. Those signs can be found on the Health Department's web page. In addition, all student and alumni leadership are encouraged to participate in the Count on Me NC trainings. To assist in your planning, the UNC Campus Health website (<https://campushealth.unc.edu/>) has some helpful resources, as well as Carolina's Roadmap to fall 2020 (<https://carolinatogether.unc.edu>), which outlines the University's community standards, guidelines, and procedures. In addition to CDC and OC Health Dept resources, we strongly encourage you to engage your National HQ, umbrella organizations (e.g., NPC/NIC), and/or insurance companies in the development of your plans. Many have excellent resources and are available to support you.

Your plans can be submitted at the following link:

<https://www.orangecountync.gov/FormCenter/Health-6/COVID-SAFETY-PLAN-REVIEW-226>

**Failure to comply with the Orange County Health Department may result in the closure of chapter facilities and loss of university recognition.**

FRATERNITY AND SORORITY LIFE



It is important to note that UNC’s privately-owned fraternities and sororities remain subject to state and county ordinances and guidelines which currently limit gatherings to no more than 10 people indoors and 25 people outdoors. Facial coverings and physical distancing (at least 6ft) is required for all gatherings. Given these requirements, all student organizations should carefully consider plans for meetings, social events, and other gatherings to ensure compliance. All University-recognized organizations are expected to uphold these guidelines. Non-compliant social gatherings (i.e., parties) may result in legal and/or University consequences, including the potential of loss of recognition. In addition, chapter violations will also be referred to their respective council’s judicial process.

The health and wellbeing of our students is the utmost importance to us and is all of our responsibility to ensure that we open and operate as safely as possible. Decisions by any of us to disregard public health requirements jeopardize the health of students, staff, and faculty and compromise the ability of the University to remain open to all students. We trust you will work with us to insist that all chapters exhibit the level of responsibility necessary to promote a safer environment. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out.

Sincerely,

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