



August 27, 2021

Dear Yo San Students, Faculty & Staff,

The State of California and the County of Los Angeles Public Health have both recently issued Public Health Orders requiring all healthcare workers in the state/county to show proof of COVID-19 vaccination or be tested on a weekly basis. In the interest of slowing the spread of COVID-19 and ensuring the safety of our campus community, Yo San University will be instituting the following policies in compliance with state and county mandates.

Beginning August 30, 2021, Yo San University (YSU) will require all students, faculty and staff in the following healthcare settings to be fully vaccinated against COVID-19:

- Yo San University Blount Community Clinic
- Participation in YSU-affiliated clinical externship and clinical outreach programs

This policy applies to the following Yo San University students, faculty and staff:

1. Clinic front office and administrative staff
2. Clinic herbalists
3. Clinical faculty, including clinical supervisors and clinical teaching assistants
4. Clinical Fellows, Practitioners & Senior Practitioners
5. Clinical Interns in the DAOM program
6. Clinical Interns in the MATCM programs
7. Clinical Observation students in the MATCM program

All YSU students, faculty and staff in the aforementioned healthcare settings will be required to have their first dose of a one-dose vaccination, or their second of a two-dose vaccine regimen by **September 30, 2021**.

Unvaccinated or incompletely vaccinated students, faculty and staff are required to undergo COVID-19 diagnostic screening tests at least once a week; results of these diagnostic screening tests must be submitted to the University on a weekly basis.

For more details on the policy, including acceptable proof of vaccination, request for vaccination exemption based on medical reasons, disability or religious beliefs, acceptable forms of diagnostic screening tests, documentation and reporting procedures, as well as additional resources, please refer to the full policy document on our website:

For Students: [YSU Vaccination Policy for Clinic Students \(2021\)](#)

For Staff/Faculty: [YSU Vaccination Policy for Clinic Staff / Faculty \(2021\)](#)

Copies of the policies are also available from the Clinic Manager as well as from the YSU Admin Office.

Our Yo San Community has performed extraordinarily well throughout the course of this pandemic, and we are grateful for all your individual and collective efforts to reduce the spread of the virus, and ensure a safe and healthy learning and health care environment at Yo San University. Vaccination remains the best way to prevent serious illness, hospitalization, or death from COVID-19 and its variants. We continue to strongly encourage all students, faculty and staff to get fully vaccinated against COVID-19.

We hope that you and your loved ones continue to stay healthy and safe, and thank you for your resilience and cooperation as we work together to get through this pandemic.

Yo San University Administration