To protect the safety of patients, clinical education faculty and students, the following procedures have been developed based on guidelines from the CDC, accrediting and professional organizations including the AAMC, APTA, ACAPT and CAPTE, and our academic health science center. Input from clinical partners has also been included.

1. Students will bring their own PPE including surgical masks and eyewear. They will have a surgical mask for every day of the clinical experience and a set of reusable eyewear.

2. Students will be prohibited from working with patients who have known active COVID–19.

3. Students will be required to self-screen every day utilizing the UNMC 1 - Check COVID App. They will only be allowed to attend clinical if they are able to present evidence from this app that they are low risk.

4. Students will be trained and demonstrate competency regarding: 1) COVID–19 clinical considerations, 2) Directed health measures related to COVID–19, 3) PPE use (donning, doffing and disposal), and 4) Telehealth practice.

5. Recognizing some of the potential changes in the clinical environment (census, directed health measure limitations, staffing issues) the program will provide a list of mutually beneficial, student-directed alternative activities that could be implemented in lieu of direct patient care. We also want to be flexible and work with sites on any accommodations that need to be made (different shifts/hours, start/end dates, etc.) as well as ensuring compliance with any additional onboarding requirements that may be needed.