

Fitz Center for Leadership in Community  
Safety/Risk Management Orientation

**1. Be Aware of the Risk/Liability for:**

- You
- The University
- Your placement location

**2. Risk Management: the identification, evaluation and control of risk**

Be aware- what are the risks and how do you reduce the risk in each of these categories?

- Physical
- Financial
- Emotional
- Reputational
- Property

**3. What coverage does the University provide?**

- The University's insurance is in place to protect the University and those working on behalf of the University in an approved program; the University covers general liability (things that may happen to a third party such as spilling hot coffee on someone or accidentally damaging something). However, if the action is determined to be gross negligence or criminal in nature, then the individual may be held responsible.
- The University does not cover medical payments if you are injured - you are required to carry personal health insurance while you are a student at UD. However, we do ask that you report all injuries to your supervisor or person in charge of the program.
- If you drive a UD owned vehicle you must be a UD certified driver. If you are driving your own personal vehicle then your personal auto insurance would be primary. You should not use your personal vehicle for transporting clients. The University does not cover this and your auto insurer may not cover either.

**4. Be aware of the site's agreement and expectations**

- You may be required to have proof of immunization, background checks, health insurance, training, etc.

**5. Be aware of your surroundings**

- Know the area
- Report anything that concerns you (e.g.. sexual harassment, fear of safety, anything of concern)

**6. Working with Children**

- UD has a "policy on minors" that clearly outlines appropriate conduct and reporting requirements. Students must watch training video before being with children.
- You may have to have a background check this year as required by the community partner.

**7. Signing Releases/Waivers**

Read these carefully and understand what you are signing. You cannot "waiver" your rights but by signing these documents you are acknowledging an assumption of risk- understand what the risk is and ask questions if you need more information.