

Pharmacist-led COVID-19 Response at a Private University

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University COVID-19 Response



Since 2010, the Raabe College of Pharmacy has directed ONU Healthwise, a multidisciplinary clinical practice of Ohio Northern University. The services under the umbrella of ONU HealthWise include a campus wide employee/student health and wellness clinic, rural mobile clinic, a community pharmacy, and drug and health information services, a telephonic pharmacy services center and student service learning/community outreach.

In the face of the COVID-19 pandemic, ONU HealthWise adapted its operations to meet the safety and healthcare needs of the campus and surrounding communities. In collaboration with the Student Health Center, Department of Athletic Training and University administration, a safety plan was developed that incorporated rapid antigen COVID-19 testing for campus surveillance (3%), symptomatic individuals, contact tracing and vaccination. As a result of this interdisciplinary effort, the University was able to maintain in-person instruction for the entirety of the 2020-21 academic year.

On-Campus COVID-19 Rapid Antigen Testing

Point-of-care rapid antigen testing was provided on-campus to all university employees, students and first responders based on the following protocol:

- All symptomatic individuals
- 3% random campus surveillance weekly
- NCAA athletic surveillance
 - High contact sport: 100% three times/week
 - Medium contact sport: 25% weekly
 - Low contact sport: 3% campus surveillance

Summary by Test

Surveillance

Symptomatic

TOTAL(w/o Athletics)

Athletic Surveillance

TOTAL

Total Tests	Negative	Positive	Positive %
3902	3878	24	0.62%
896	757	139	15.51%
4798	4635	163	3.40%
7477	7433	44	0.59%
12275	12068	207	1.69%

Summary by Group

Student

Employee

TOTAL

Total Tests	Negative	Positive	Positive %
10175	10016	159	1.56%
2100	2052	48	2.29%
12275	12068	207	1.69%

Mass Vaccine Clinics: 6 Counties in 60 Days



From Left: Julie Hurtig, Michael Rush, Gov. Mike DeWine, Frances DeWine, Steven Martin

In March 2021, Ohio Governor Mike Dewine designated the ONU HealthWise mobile clinic as a mass vaccination regional clinic. HealthWise established 10 unique clinic locations within the assigned region that included Hardin, Logan, Union, Marion, Crawford and Wyandot counties.

Mass Vaccine Clinics Quick Facts

3,230	2,198	911	121
Total Vaccines	Janssen	Moderna	Pfizer

10
Locations

2,593
Miles Traveled

