Dear UMass Faculty,

During the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, verification of illness notes are not provided by University Health Services and should not be requested of students for any acute illness. It is imperative that students with any symptoms of acute illness refrain from attending classes, for the health and safety of the campus. Students are not required to visit University Health Services except as needed to care for their illness, and should not be directed to any medical care facility for the purpose of obtaining a verification note.

Students may be asked to isolate for a period of up to 10 days due to COVID-19. Please make learning accommodations needed for these required absences. Students are also asked to isolate for symptomatic acute illness, regardless of any test results, until symptoms resolve.

Thank you for your cooperation during the COVID-19 pandemic, and for joining University Health Services in supporting students during this difficult time.

Respectfully,

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