

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, INC.

Omega Mu Omega Chapter

Officer and Committee Report

Type of Report: Informational

Name of Committee Office: Risk Management

Officer or Committee Chair Name: Keisha Sanders

Summary: **Risk Management/ Covid-19 Safety Protocol & Procedures Updates**

On Friday, October 1, 2021, The Covid-19 Pandemic task Force sent out an email that all chapters must have a Covid-19 safety protocol and procedure plan for all-in-person activities and events. I sent out an email to the Special Assistant & Risk Management Task Force Chairman, Soror Kimberly Esmond Adams, and the North Atlantic International Risk Management Task Force, Soror Roselyn D. Holmes Grant, requesting permission to alter the Covid-19 Waiver and Screening documents and to review the Covid-19 safety protocol and procedure plan for our chapter. Both sorors responded; however, Madame Chairman, Soror Kimberly Esmond Adams, granted me the approval and approved the altered Waiver and Screening documents regarding the Covid-19 safety protocol and procedure documents. Soror Roselyn informed me that our documents need to be reviewed and finalized by the committee members and chapter. Once the documents are approved, the documents may be used as a draft resource for other chapters.

Updated information was provided on Friday, November 12, 2021. This next phase-in will allow chapters to resume in-person chapter and committee meetings, community service, fundraisers, and sisterly relations activities subject to the health and safety protocols that have been developed by the sorority, effective December 1, 2021. If there is a dangerous spike in COVID-19 cases around the country or an uptick in COVID-19 cases or deaths among our membership, the Directorate will re-evaluate our operations and make adjustments as necessary to protect the health and safety of our membership. Please note that sorors must be fully vaccinated to participate in sorority meetings, activities, and events that are held in person. There are no exceptions or exemptions. Proof of vaccination is required. Please also note that home tests are currently not acceptable to prove your negative COVID status. Some questions that were posed:

Is my Chapter required to open fully on December 1?

No. It is not a requirement. Chapters may open fully as early as December 1, but chapters also may continue to meet virtually or hybrid at this time. In-person meetings must be conducted subject to sorority health and safety protocols.

When will Chapters be required to fully resume in-person chapter meetings?

Chapters will be required to fully resume in-person chapter meetings by April 1, 2022, unless otherwise approved by the Regional Director, subject to sorority health and safety protocols.

What is the maximum number of sorors who can participate in-person for chapter meetings, activities, and events?

As of December 1, chapters may resume normal in person meetings, activities, and events for fully vaccinated sorors subject to sorority health and safety protocols with a number of attendees that does not exceed the facility's capacity and allows for social distancing.

What constitutes fully vaccinated?

Fully vaccinated is defined as 14 days after the second dose of the Moderna or Pfizer vaccines or 14 days after the one-dose J&J vaccine. It does not require administration of a booster shot.

When will the Sorority fully resume normal operations?

The Directorate will continue to re-assess the situation taking into account the progression of the COVID-19 Pandemic, the science and recommendations of medical experts and the Centers for Disease and Prevention, and internal empirical data. Updates will be provided as decisions are made.

The Risk Management meet to discuss and collaborate on a Safety Protocol and Procedure plan for the chapter. The next meeting will be on Monday, November 15, 2021, at 6:30 pm.

Actions to be taken: Information will be shared during the risk management meeting, executive meeting, and Chapter meeting.

Attendees at the Risk Management meeting held on Monday, October 18, 2021, at 6:30 pm:
Soror Cheryl McClean