INSTRUCTIONS FOR OBTAINING YOUR BACKGROUND CHECK and DRUG SCREENING 
FOR A CLINICAL EDUCATION PROGRAM

Southern Arkansas University Nursing Background Check and Drug Screen

Background checks and drug screening are required on incoming students to ensure the safety of the patients treated by students in the clinical education program. You will be required to order your background check and complete the drug screening in sufficient time for it to be reviewed by the program coordinator or associated hospital prior to starting your clinical rotation. A background check typically takes 3-5 normal business days to complete, and turnaround time of the drug screening results is determined by a variety of factors. The background checks are conducted by PreCheck, Inc., a firm specializing in background checks for healthcare workers. The drug screening service is conducted through eScreen/Pembrooke. Your order must be placed online through StudentCheck.

Go to www.mystudentcheck.com and select your School and Program from the drop down menus for School and Program. It is important that you select your school worded as below and choose the appropriate program.

Arkansas Residents - Magnolia, Camden, El Dorado should select – Southern Arkansas University Nursing Arkansas Students Only

Texas/Louisiana Residents - Texas and Louisiana should select – Southern Arkansas University Nursing Texas and Louisiana Students

Complete all required fields as prompted and hit Continue to enter your payment information. The payment can be made securely online with a credit or debit card. You can also pay by money order, but that will delay processing your background check until the money order is received by mail at the PreCheck office. Texas residents will pay $122.86 and New Mexico residents will pay $121.92. Residents in all other states will pay $113.50. For your records, you will be provided a receipt and confirmation page of background check and drug screening through PreCheck, Inc.

Drug Screening Instructions:

For students in Magnolia, Camden & El Dorado (Paper Chain of Custody)

1. You must provide a copy of the receipt to your school to receive a chain of custody form to submit for drug testing at one of the collection sites listed below:

   Magnolia Regional Medical Center
   101 Hospital Dr.
   Magnolia, AR 71753-2415
   Ph. 870-235-3410

   Occupational Medicine
   101 Thompson Ave
   El Dorado, AR 71730
   PH. 870-864-9661

   Ouachita County Medical Center
   638 California Ave SW
   Camden, AR 71701-4604
   Ph: 870-836-1289

For students in Texas or Louisiana Using eCOC (Online Chain of Custody)

You must pre-register for a drug screen and generate your Chain of Custody Form before heading to a collection lab.

- If you pay by credit card, you will complete this process during the ordering process and will be directed to choose the collection site closest to your location.
- If you are paying by money order, you will be emailed instructions to generate your Chain of Custody Form and obtain your drug screen once payment has been received.
Note on Drug Screen Collection Appointments: Collection sites have different policies on setting up appointments for drug screening. For your convenience, we recommend calling your chosen collection site ahead of time to set up an appointment. It is also your responsibility to obtain necessary forms (if applicable), pre-register and complete the drug screen within the time frame required by the school.

PreCheck will not use your information for any other purposes other than a background check. Your credit will not be investigated, and your name will not be given out to any businesses.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

- Does PreCheck need every street address where I have lived over the past 7 years? No. Just the city and state.
- I selected the wrong school, program, or need to correct some other information entered, what do I do? Please email StudentCheck@PreCheck.com, with the details.
- How long does the background check take to complete? Most reports are completed within 3-5 business weekdays.
- How long does the drug screening take to complete? Screening can be impacted by a variety of factors.
- Do I get a copy of the background report? Yes. Log into www.mystudentcheck.com and click on “Check Status”, and enter your SSN and DOB. If your report is complete, you may click on the application number to download and print a copy. This feature is good for 90 days after submittal. After 90 days, you will be charged $14.95 for a copy of your report, and will need to contact PreCheck directly to request this.
- Do I get a copy of the drug screening? Your school or clinical site may have a designated administrator who receives results via fax or through e-results, however if they direct you to contact PreCheck please email your name, request, and the last 4 digits of your SSN to studentcheck@precheck.com. We will advise you of whether we house the results.
- I have been advised that I am being denied entry into the program because of information on my report and that I should contact PreCheck. Where should I call? Call PreCheck’s Adverse Action hotline at 800-203-1654. Adverse Action is the procedure established by the Fair Credit Reporting Act that allows you to see the report and to dispute anything reported.

If you need further assistance, please contact PreCheck at StudentCheck@PreCheck.com.