The UW-L Athletic Training Program recognizes the importance of minimizing the exposure of patients and others in the clinical setting to communicable diseases; therefore, it is recommended that athletic training students not attend their clinical assignment if they display any active signs and/or symptoms of a communicable disease. Education in the prevention of disease transmission for all individuals in the athletic training facilities as it relates to hand washing, mouth covering while coughing, personal hygiene, etc., is of the utmost importance.

The athletic training student must immediately notify the Clinical Coordinator and their Preceptor when they become ill with a communicable disease. It is the option of the athletic training student whether or not to seek medical attention when they develop signs/symptoms of communicable disease, but seeking such attention is strongly recommended. The athletic training student, the Clinical Coordinator and Preceptor will discuss the length of the absence needed to assure the student is no longer infectious. Ultimately, the Clinical Coordinator and/or Preceptor will determine when the athletic training student is able to return to the clinical setting.