



## VULNERABLE SECTOR DISCLAIMER

This program involves direct contact with vulnerable individuals. Students must obtain a Vulnerable Sector Screening before they start a placement or practicum.

The screening involves a search of the Vulnerable Sector Database, maintained by the Ontario Provincial Police. The search looks for any information about a person in police files, including criminal offences or serious criminal investigations. This includes any contact a person may have had with police services under the [Mental Health Act, 1990](#).

**Screening can take 10 to 12 weeks to complete.**

It is a good practice to get the results before the training program begins to be sure that you can complete a placement or practicum and graduate.

If you choose to begin the program before you have the results, please plan your time so that you can receive the report before applying for a placement or practicum. If you start the program and do not receive the report, you risk being ineligible for a placement or practicum, and you may not be able to graduate. Tuition and fee refunds may be affected.

You must not do anything during your program or placement that would affect the results of your vulnerable sector screening report. If so, you may not be able to continue your studies.

Further information regarding the Police Reference Check Program and the screening process can be viewed on the [Ontario Provincial Police website](#).

I understand that if I do not obtain a vulnerable sector screening, I risk:

- being unable to begin a placement or continue a placement
- being unable to graduate
- being unable to receive a partial refund or no refund of tuition, depending on when I withdraw or am expelled from this program

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Student Signature

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Date