1. **What is a Clery Notification?**

   Federal law requires colleges to notify students and employees of health and safety emergencies. With Covid, the notification is to alert students and employees who were in the presence of someone who tested positive for Covid so those persons are aware of the exposure, know what that means, and can take steps to protect themselves and/or mitigate the risk. It does **not** mean you must quarantine.

2. **When is a Clery Notification issued?**

   Here are the **criteria**:
   
   a. A person has tested **positive** for Covid.
   b. The person was on campus while infectious
   c. Infectious - 2 days before they tested positive or had symptoms **through** the start of quarantine.
   d. The person was in the presence of students or employees – *indoors* – while on campus and infectious.

   *BUT if the person was in a large outdoor gathering where people were close together, that could prompt a Clery Notification, too.

3. **Who gets the Clery Notification?**

   Any student or employee who was in the presence of the Positive person. How long or how close or masked or vaccine status does not matter. Simply being in the same room as a Positive person while they were infectious is enough to prompt a Clery Notification. (This is not the same as determining who is a Close Contact which is entirely different and **does** rely upon how long and how close.)

   Covid Case Managers get this information from the Positive person by asking that person where they went on campus, who they saw, etc.. Case Managers can pull course rosters, obtain attestations from classes, obtain attestations from offices, or ask other College Officials who may have knowledge of who was present in a particular place at a particular time. Those names are given to Dr. Renee Conner, who issues the Clery Notifications via email.

4. **What is in a Clery Notification?**

   The email will tell you that you have been exposed to a positive person, **generally** describes exposure risk, and offers recommendations for what you should do next. Each person’s risk is different. The Clery notification is a **general** notification and will not determine each person’s unique risk. (If the College Official handling the case determines that your **specific** situation meets the standard of a Close Contact, you will get a separate notification telling you to quarantine and asking you questions to evaluate your circumstances).

   - The email will give you some advice about managing your health and being safe.
   - The email will **not** tell you to quarantine; it will tell you to keep going to class or to work unless you get a separate notification from a Covid Case Manager.
   - The Clery Notification **does not** name the positive person (for privacy reasons)

5. **What do I do if I get a Clery Notification?**

   Don’t panic. Read it carefully and follow directions. Continue going to class/work unless you get a separate notification from a Case Manager telling you to quarantine. The Clery Notification includes the Covid Case Managers’ email and phone number to contact if you have questions, have symptoms, or have tested positive. Continue following all the Covid precautions for yourself, your classmates, your loved ones, and your community.