## State Fair Community College

Background Check Policy Health Science Programs

The Joint Commission of Accreditation of Healthcare Organization (JCAHO), which accredits healthcare facilities across the country, enforced background screening September 2004 and has set requirements mandating that students in a healthcare field must now complete the same background check as hospital employees.

As required by clinical facilities contracted by State Fair Community College, all Health Science program students that are enrolled in a clinical course must submit to a criminal background check from the state or states in which they have resided over the past year.

Students are responsible for the payment of their background investigation, and CastleBranch must conduct the investigation.

All background checks will be evaluated according to the exclusionary criteria of the contracted clinical facilities. Failure to complete a background check will prohibit student from participating in clinical education and admission to all State Fair Community College Health Science programs.

Students with criminal histories who desire licensure or registration in Health Science Professions are urged to consult the laws governing licensure or certification in the state they intend to license/certify prior to application to the respective health science program.

The following searches are required for students attending facilities for clinical through State Fair Community College:

- 1. Missouri Statewide Criminal History Record Search
- 2. Federal Criminal History Record Search
- 3. Social Security Number Trace (residential history, state and date issued)
- 4. National Sex Offender Registry
- 5. Office of Inspector General Sanction Report
- 6. General Services Administration
- 7. Missouri Department of Social Services Request for Child Abuse or Neglect
- 8. Senior Care Registry (EDL)
- 9. Family Care Registry
- 10. Residential History Search
- 11. U.S. Treasury Department Office of Foreign Asset Control List of Specially Designation Nations

A United States social security number is required to initiate the Family Care Registry check. Students without a United States social security number should contact the Designated School Official (DSO) through the SFCC Student Services office for additional information.

Individuals unable to complete all required background checks or those with exclusionary criteria will be prohibited from participating in clinical education and admission to all State Fair Community College Health Science programs. Individuals who have been convicted of felonies and/or misdemeanors are encouraged to contact the program director prior to program application.