

RE: Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi Insurance Policy

Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi, part of Texas A&M University System, a state agency, employees have sovereign immunity for actions conducted in the course and scope of employment or appointment when the act is performed in good faith, and the conduct involves a matter about which the individual has discretion or must make a judgment.

The university is not required by state law to carry general liability or accident medical insurance for visitors, students and volunteers. The state, however, under the Texas Tort Claim Acts defends claims against state agencies and institutions. **However, the state does not protect employee who acts outside the scope of his/her employment and is found to be negligent.**

In light of the above, we request faculty to refrain from entering into an agreement that promise general liability or accident/medical to visitors, students and volunteers. We encourage faculty to take necessary measures when dealing with individuals who are not employees of the university. All non-employees should be informed about the university no insurance policy; be required to sign *The Texas A&M University System Agreement for Waiver, Indemnification, Assumption of Risk and Medical Treatment Authorization*; and be trained on relative safety measures before allowed to participate in any university sanctioned program.

Departments organizing field trips are responsible for requiring students to complete *Texas A&M University System Agreement for Waiver, Indemnification, Assumption of Risk and Medical Treatment Authorization* form before a field trip is taken. Community Outreach is responsible for youth summer camp programs and procurement of accident/medical and general liability insurance for youth activities.

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