

**To:** Ms. Cathy Giovannetti, College Council Chair

**From:** Dr. Stephen D. Cain, Acting President *sdca*

**Subject:** **College Council Recommendation 18-12: Access to Affordable Flu Vaccine For Students**

**Date:** October 11, 2018

Thank you and all the members of the College's participatory governance system for your leadership in considering issues of importance to the Montgomery College community. I have received and reviewed the College Council's recommendation 18-12: Access to affordable flu vaccines for students. The Council's full recommendation is attached.

On May 8, 2018, the College Council voted to move recommendation 18-12 forward to the president. Many MC students do not have health insurance and, therefore, do not have access to influenza vaccines. To prevent the spread of influenza and to promote student class attendance, the Student Council recommended flu vaccines be provided on each campus. Based on my review, I am accepting this recommendation. The implementation of this action will depend on the identification of a suitable healthcare partner to provide vaccinations.

The senior vice president for student affairs has pursued a partnership and has reported flu vaccines will be offered on all three campuses during the fall semester 2018 at no cost to students through Adventist Healthcare. An extensive communication plan was developed and communicated broadly throughout the College (see attached flyer).

Any further questions concerning this matter should be directed to Dr. Monica Brown, senior vice president for student affairs.

Thank you for your dedicated service to Montgomery College's governance system and all of the work you do to support Montgomery College's mission and vision. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have further questions or concerns.

Attachments

cc: Senior Administrative Leadership Team  
Director of Governance