

**Beth-El College of Nursing & Health Sciences  
Background Check Policy (effective January 18, 2007)**

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In order to maintain the highest standards possible, Beth El College of Nursing and Health Science instituted a Background Check Policy to help protect public safety.

All nursing and health science students (undergraduate and graduate) participating in a laboratory, clinical, practicum or internship course will be required to submit data for a certified background check at their expense. Background checks need to be completed online at <http://www.certifiedbackground.com> at the time of course registration. Students each have confidential access to the results of their own background check status. All background check results will be reviewed by the Beth El College of Nursing and Health Sciences Academic Standards and Professional Conduct Committee. Should there be a negative background check finding, the committee will determine if a student is eligible to participate in the course. Eligibility is based on the nature of the finding as well as the clinical site requirements. Students may submit an appeal to the committee if additional data might be of benefit to the committee. Appeal decisions will be judged on documented factual issues. Every effort will be made to place the student in an alternative site, if available. Alternatives are not always available. If a student is unable to complete the course due to an inability to participate, the student may be dismissed from the program.

