Student Professional Liability Insurance

*The OUSSW requires that practicum students carry a minimum of $1,000,000/$3,000,000. See the Field Education Manual for more informatio*[*n* <http://www.ou.edu/cas/socialwork/current-students/policies-procedures>](http://socialwork.ou.edu/)

*Failure to obtain insurance coverage by the deadline shown on your Practicum Calendar is the primary cause of a practicum being delayed.*

\*We have provided three different options (links provided below).

\*The school recommends that you read each policy carefully and chose the one that best meets your needs.

\*While there are certainly independent reasons for becoming a member of NASW, we do encourage you to consider the insurance options for yourself.

## Option 1: NASW Insurance

## [NASW Insurance Link](https://naswassurance.org/enroll-today/?utm_source=NaswMemberBenefitsWebpage&utm_medium=website&utm_campaign=NaswMemberBenefitsWebpage&utm_term=NaswMemberBenefitsWebpage)

## In order to qualify for student insurance via NASW, you must first be a member of the National Association of Social Workers*.*

1.) Go to the NASW website at [www.socialworkers.org,](http://www.socialworkers.org/)

2.) Click “Join NASW,” complete and submit online application.

## Option 2: American Professional

<http://www.americanprofessional.com/student/index.htm>

## Option 3: HPSO

<http://www.hpso.com/individuals/professional-liability/social-work-malpractice-insurance>

# **Employer*’*s Professional Liability Insurance**

We recommend that all social workers carry their own professional liability insurance, regardless of where they work, for the duration of their careers.

1. If you will be doing an employment based practicum and are covered by your employer and wish to secure additional student coverage, you will be asked to provide verification of employment coverage in your student insurance application process.
2. If you will be doing an employment-based practicum and cannot afford to purchase student insurance at this time, in lieu of insurance verification you may submit a letter from your employer stating that you (by name) will be covered by your employer’s professional liability insurance for…… (the following words must appear in this letter) “ALL of his/her social work practicum activities.”

# **Directions to Upload Insurance Verification to InPlace**

1. Log into your InPlace account and navigate to your “My Details” page.
2. Scroll to the “Student Liability Insurance” box and click the + button.
3. Select or drag the file for your insurance verification document (should be a PDF).
4. Check the box above that says, “Upload your proof of Student Liability Insurance here…” and click submit when finished.

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