

## Immunization and Health Screening Policy {A3.07a}

Prior to starting clinical education experiences, students must be up to date on health screenings and immunizations to include tuberculosis screening along with documentation of all other immunizations. Students must upload and submit updated immunization records, Health Clearance Form and copy of their current health insurance card(s) into Complio®. Students who fail to submit these documents will not be permitted to participate in their SCPE's until all requirements are met.

### Program Health Screening and Immunization Requirements {A3.07a}

- Health Clearance Form: student must have a health screening by a licensed medical provider within the past 12 months, attesting the student is free from physical or mental impairments which might interfere with the performance of patient care duties.
- **Tuberculosis:** One of the following completed within the past 12 months is required:
  - TB skin test;
  - QuantiFERON Gold blood test (lab report required); or
  - If positive results, submit a clear chest x-ray (report required)
- **Immunizations:** Students must be current on all required immunizations. Either record of immunization or serologic proof of immunity must be provided for all listed conditions recommended by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for healthcare personnel, to include, but may not be limited to:
  - Hepatitis B: BOTH of the following are required:
    - A complete vaccination series **AND**
    - A positive antibody titer (lab report required)If the titer was negative or equivocal, the vaccination series must be repeated.
  - Measles, Mumps & Rubella (MMR): One of the following is required:
    - 2 vaccinations: The first vaccination **MUST** be administered **AFTER** the age of 1 regardless of vaccination type. Vaccinations can be a combined MMR vaccination; however, if individualized vaccinations are submitted you **MUST** submit 2 vaccinations for Mumps and Measles and 1 vaccination for Rubella; OR
    - Positive antibody titer (lab report required) for all 3 components. If the titer was negative or equivocal, at least one additional booster must be administered.

- Varicella: One of the following is required:
  - 2 vaccinations OR
  - Positive antibody titer (lab report required)If the titer was negative or equivocal, the vaccination series must be repeated.
- Tdap (Tetanus/Diphtheria/Pertussis): One of the following is required:
  - Documentation of a Tdap (Tetanus, Diphtheria & Pertussis) vaccination administered within the past 10 years OR
  - Documentation of a Tdap vaccination administered from any time AND a Td (Tetanus & Diphtheria) booster administered within the past 10 years. Renewal will be set for 10 years from the most recent vaccination. Upon renewal, a Td booster is required.
- Influenza: It is highly recommended, but not required, that students obtain influenza immunization annually.
- COVID-19: It is highly recommended, but not required, that students obtain COVID-19 immunization annually.
- **Other Immunizations**: Clinical sites may require additional vaccinations and documentation.

Students who have a medical contraindication for specific vaccinations or choose not to receive optional vaccinations may have additional requirements mandated (e.g., students who have a medical contraindication for influenza vaccination may be required to wear a mask during the entire influenza season). Students who choose not to receive optional or site-required vaccinations may face limitations in clinical site placement, requiring alternative arrangements that could result in a delay in graduation.