

MUSC Visiting Student Immunization Requirements

Instructions for Completion of Form

All visiting students to MUSC are required to provide documentation for the immunizations listed below prior to their arrival to the MUSC campus. If an antibody titer shows inadequate immunity, then proof of vaccination will be required. Maintaining these high standards is done to protect the safety of the students, staff, and patients. Details of the most current immunization requirements can be found at the MUSC website (Visiting Student Immunization Requirements): <http://academicdepartments.musc.edu/esl/studenthealth/>

1. Measles, Mumps, Rubella – proof of age-appropriate immunization OR immune antibody titers ^{*}.

Immunization requirements can be met by providing documentation of 2 MMR vaccines received on/after age of 12 months, and both after 12/31/1967. Students born before 12/31/1956 can submit documentation of one MMR dose given after 12/31/1967. OR

Immune Antibody Titers - Copy of lab report demonstrating immune antibody titers (IgG) to Measles, Mumps, and Rubella. Lab report should be quantitative and/or specify if test results are in immune range.

2. Varicella (Chicken Pox) Immunity

- Documentation of two Varicella vaccines

OR

- Copy of lab report demonstrating immune antibody titers (IgG)^{*} to Varicella. Lab report should be quantitative and/or specify if test results are in immune range.

3. Tetanus-diphtheria-acellular pertussis (Tdap) – students are to have completed the childhood DPT series within current CDC guidelines **and** provide documentation of having received an adult Tdap booster on or after 5/3/2005. Once adult Tdap booster has been received, students may resume regular Td boosters every 10 years. Students with a documented allergic reaction to the pertussis vaccine need to provide a letter from their medical provider detailing the nature of their reaction and the contraindication to receiving the vaccine.

4. Meningitis Vaccine – documentation of vaccine or signed waiver.

5. Hepatitis B Vaccination – is required for students who may have exposure to blood or human body fluids during their academic coursework. Unvaccinated students should initiate the hepatitis B vaccine series prior to or during their first semester at MUSC. Previously immunized students must provide proof of the primary hepatitis B series (3 vaccines) **AND** a Quantitative Hepatitis B surface Antibody titer (preferably drawn 4-8 weeks after the final dose). Lab report should specify if test results are in the desired immune range (≥ 10 mIU/mL). If the hepatitis B titer is non-immune (negative or equivocal) immediately after completion of the primary vaccine series, then complete a second hepatitis B series followed by a repeat titer. Many who completed their primary hepatitis B series during infancy will have a negative hepatitis antibody titer when first tested as an adult, often due to waning antibody levels over time. In this population, it is acceptable to receive a fourth hepatitis B vaccine “booster” followed by a hepatitis antibody titer 4-6 weeks later. If this hepatitis B titer is immune (≥ 10 mIU/mL), then no further hepatitis vaccines are needed. If the titer is negative, then the second vaccine series should be completed, followed by a hepatitis B antibody titer. If the hepatitis B antibody titer is negative after 2 completed hepatitis B vaccine series, then testing for chronic hepatitis B infection is required (Hepatitis B surface Antigen and Hepatitis B core Antibody).

^{*} The College of Nursing requires ALL Accelerated BSN students to have MMR and Varicella Titers - regardless of immunization history. This is to satisfy the requirements of some of the affiliated clinical sites. It is still important to submit immunization documentation if available.

6. TB Screening - TB screening tests (TB Skin Test or Blood Assay) **required** of all students regardless of prior BCG vaccination (and complete appropriate section A, B, or C on form). Do not have a TB skin test placed within 28 days of receiving a live vaccine (MMR or Varicella) – this can give a false negative result. Previous history of previous positive TB skin testing (≥ 10 mm induration) or (+) TB Blood Assay **must** be accompanied by documentation of the evaluation and treatment of this condition.

A. Negative Baseline Tuberculosis Screening Tests – persons with negative TB testing need one of the following:

- Two (2) tuberculosis skin tests (Mantoux 5 TU Tuberculin Skin Tests) administered 1 – 3 weeks apart, and both within 3 months of enrollment.
- History of recent TB Skin Testing – persons who have had previous TB skin testing within 12 months of enrollment can submit documentation of this test, along with an additional TB skin test given within 3 months of enrollment.
- Blood Assay for Tuberculosis (Interferon Gamma Release Assay/IGRA) within 3 months of enrollment: *QuantiFERON® TB Gold* or *T-SPOT*

B. Positive TB Testing/Latent Tuberculosis Infection – new or previous (+) TB skin test or Blood Assay with negative Chest X-ray.

The majority of healthy persons infected with tuberculosis are able to contain the initial infection, though viable TB microorganisms will remain present in their lungs for the rest of their life (latent tuberculosis infection or LTBI). Persons with LTBI are asymptomatic, not contagious, and will have a normal chest x-ray. Their only evidence of infection will be a positive TB skin test and/or blood assay (BAMT). Therefore, **a negative chest x-ray does not rule out the presence of TB or the need for treatment.** About 5-10% will develop active pulmonary tuberculosis at some point in their life, most often during the first few years after infection. Anti-tuberculosis medication decreases the chance of developing active TB infection by up to 90%. Persons with (+) skin tests and/or blood assays for TB **are required** to have been evaluated by the health department to determine their TB status and the need for preventive treatment. Provide:

- Documentation of your TB testing (TB Skin Test or Blood Assay)
- Chest X-ray Report (done after + TB testing) *Foreign-born students with positive TB skin testing who have received the BCG vaccine, should get a Blood Assay for Tuberculosis/ BAMT (*QuantiFERON® TB Gold* or *T-SPOT*) for further evaluation. If BAMT is positive for TB, then a chest x-ray, TB Symptom Survey, and evaluation by the Health Department is required. If BAMT is negative, it may obviate the need for getting a chest x-ray.
- TB Symptom Survey
- Evaluation by the health department +/- the records of your preventive treatment. If LTBI is not treated, provide reason.

C. History of Active Tuberculosis - Required documentation includes:

- Documentation of positive TB test (TB Skin Test or Blood Assay)
- Chest X-ray Report (done after + TB test)
- TB Symptom Survey
- Health Department records of your TB treatment (Medications, Dates of Treatment, etc.).

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INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETION OF IMMUNIZATION FORM

Acceptable Documentation:

- Medical records from the provider that administered the immunizations, state issued records, employee health records and immunizations administered at a college. Previous college health forms are only acceptable for the vaccines they administered. Supporting documentation must be included for every vaccine required.
- Immunization documents must contain the signature or stamp of the providing facility, must be in English, and must be legible.
- All dates must include the month, day, year (mm/dd/yy).
- Copies of the original lab report (with values/indices/reference ranges which indicate if immunity is present) must accompany this form.
- NOTE: Computer print-outs of transcribed titer results from a health clinic is not acceptable. Re-vaccination may be required for IgG Antibody titers that are non-immune. In lieu of antibody titers, documentation of age appropriate vaccination (MMR, Varicella) is acceptable proof of immunity.

Unacceptable Documentation:

- Lab reports with ambiguous results - Unacceptable results (“Reactive”, “Antibody Detected”, “Positive”), unless the reference range on the lab document indicates these results indicate immunity.
- Partial dates – must include month/day/year (mm/dd/yy).
- Parental signatures verifying vaccination.

MEDICAL CONTRAINDICATION TO REQUIRED VACCINES – a written statement from a qualified healthcare provider is required indicating the adverse reaction or medical circumstances for which immunization is not considered safe.

1. MEASLES (Rubeola), MUMPS, RUBELLA (German Measles) IMMUNE IgG Antibody Titers (copy of lab report required) or MMR Vaccines as indicated below.					
* Students born on or after 01/01/1957 : Immune IgG MMR Titers or TWO MMR Vaccines received on or after age of 12 months AND both after 12/31/67					
* Students born on or before 12/31/1956 : Immune IgG MMR Titers or ONE MMR Vaccine received after 12/31/67					
ANTIBODY TITER	MONTH / DAY / YEAR	TITER RESULTS : Negative / Equivocal / Borderline / Indeterminate Titers require proof of (2) MMR vaccines			
Measles / Rubella IgG		<input type="checkbox"/> Immune	<input type="checkbox"/> Equivocal / Borderline	<input type="checkbox"/> Negative / Non-Immune	<input type="checkbox"/> Lab Report Attached
Mumps IgG		<input type="checkbox"/> Immune	<input type="checkbox"/> Equivocal / Borderline	<input type="checkbox"/> Negative / Non-Immune	<input type="checkbox"/> Lab Report Attached
Rubella IgG		<input type="checkbox"/> Immune	<input type="checkbox"/> Equivocal / Borderline	<input type="checkbox"/> Negative / Non-Immune	<input type="checkbox"/> Lab Report Attached
MMR VACCINES	MONTH / DAY / YEAR	Verifying Documentation Attached			
#1 Measles---Mumps---Rubella					
#2 Measles---Mumps---Rubella					
2. VARICELLA (CHICKEN POX) IMMUNE IgG Antibody Titer (copy of lab report required) OR VACCINATION - 2 Varicella Vaccines (Varivax) given 4-8 weeks apart. Varivax first available 3/17/95.					
ANTIBODY TITER	MONTH / DAY / YEAR	TITER RESULTS : Negative / Equivocal / Borderline / Indeterminate Titer requires vaccination.			
Varicella IgG Titer:		<input type="checkbox"/> Immune	<input type="checkbox"/> Equivocal / Borderline	<input type="checkbox"/> Negative / Non-Immune	<input type="checkbox"/> Lab Report Attached
VARICELLA VACCINES	MONTH / DAY / YEAR	Verifying Documentation Attached			
#1 Varivax					
#2 Varivax					
3. TETANUS/DIPHThERIA/PERTUSSIS (Tdap): “Adacel” or “Boostrix” first available 5/3/2005.					
After a one-time dose of ADULT Tdap , Tetanus/Diphtheria (Td) boosters can be resumed. ONLY Exception for Tdap requirement is <u>documentation of PERTUSSIS ALLERGY</u> from healthcare provider.					
TETANUS/VACCINES	MONTH / DAY / YEAR	Verifying Documentation Attached			
Tetanus/Diphtheria/Pertussis (Tdap)					
Tetanus/Diphtheria (Td)					
4. Meningitis Vaccine Proof of Vaccination OR Signed Waiver	MONTH / DAY / YEAR	<input type="checkbox"/> Menactra <input type="checkbox"/> Menveo <input type="checkbox"/> Menomune <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown (Attach Documentation of Vaccination) <input type="checkbox"/> I do not wish to receive the meningococcal vaccine. I have read the information and completed the on-line form at https://lifenet.musc.edu			
5. Hepatitis B Vaccine Series AND Immune Titer: Required for individuals who may have exposure to blood or human body fluids (Patient Care, Lab duties, etc.)					
Primary Hepatitis B Vaccine Series	Dose #1 ____/____/____ MONTH/DAY / YEAR	Dose #2 ____/____/____ MONTH/DAY / YEAR	Dose #3 ____/____/____ MONTH/DAY / YEAR	<input type="checkbox"/> Attach documentation of vaccination	
	Hepatitis B Surface IgG Antibody Titer	<input type="checkbox"/> Immune Titer <input type="checkbox"/> Equivocal/Borderline <input type="checkbox"/> Negative		<input type="checkbox"/> Lab Report Attached	
	Date _____	_____ mIU/mL Titer Result Equivocal or Negative Titers – see Page 1			
Secondary Hepatitis B Vaccine Series (If Non-Immune After Primary Series)	Dose #4 ____/____/____ MONTH/DAY / YEAR	Dose #5 ____/____/____ MONTH/DAY / YEAR	Dose #6 ____/____/____ MONTH/DAY / YEAR	<input type="checkbox"/> Attach documentation of vaccination	
	Hepatitis B Surface IgG Antibody Titer	<input type="checkbox"/> Immune Titer <input type="checkbox"/> Equivocal/Borderline <input type="checkbox"/> Negative		<input type="checkbox"/> Lab Report Attached	
	Date _____	_____ mIU/mL Titer Result Equivocal or Negative Titers – see Page 1			
Hepatitis B Vaccine Non-responder (If Hepatitis B Surface Antibody Negative after Primary and Secondary Series)	Date:	Hepatitis B Surface Antigen (If 2 nd titer is negative)	(Attach Lab Report)		
	Date:	Hepatitis B Core Antibody (If 2 nd titer is negative)	(Attach Lab Report)		
Chronic Active Hepatitis B	Date:	Hepatitis B Surface Antigen	(Attach Lab Reports)		
	Date:	Hepatitis B Viral Load (PCR)			

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Tuberculosis Screening

All students must complete one of the TB Sections (A, B, or C) below. Results of TB screening tests (TB Skin Test or Blood Assay) **required** of all students regardless of prior BCG vaccination. Do not have a TB skin test placed within 28 days of receiving a live vaccine (MMR or Varicella) – this can give a false negative result. Follow instructions on cover sheet to complete the appropriate section on this form.

SECTION A				
Negative Baseline Tuberculosis Screening				
	Date Placed	Date Read	Result	Documentation
TB Skin Test #1	___/___/___	___/___/___	___ mm Induration <input type="checkbox"/> Pos <input type="checkbox"/> Neg <input type="checkbox"/> Equiv	<input type="checkbox"/> Copy of Report Attached
Skin TB Test #2	___/___/___	___/___/___	___ mm Induration <input type="checkbox"/> Pos <input type="checkbox"/> Neg <input type="checkbox"/> Equiv	<input type="checkbox"/> Copy of Report Attached
TB Blood Assay	Date		Result	
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>QuantiferON® TB Gold</i> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>T-SPOT</i>	___/___/___		<input type="checkbox"/> Negative <input type="checkbox"/> Indeterminate	<input type="checkbox"/> Copy of Report Attached
SECTION B				
Positive TB Testing With Negative * Chest X-Ray				
Positive TB Testing	*Persons born outside the US who have received the BCG vaccine are required to provide documentation of TB screening tests. Those with + TB skin tests should receive a TB Blood Assay (<i>Quantiferon</i> or <i>T-Spot</i>). If TB Blood Assay is +, then a chest x-ray, TB Symptom Survey, and evaluation by Health Department are required prior to enrollment.			
TB Skin Test (≥ 10 mm) And/Or TB Blood Assay	Date Placed ___/___/___	Date Read ___/___/___	Result ___ mm Induration	<input type="checkbox"/> Copy of Report Attached
	Test <input type="checkbox"/> <i>QuantiferON® TB Gold</i> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>T-SPOT</i>	Test Date ___/___/___	Results _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Copy of Report Attached
Chest X-Ray (CXR) <small>(Taken after + TB Test)</small>	Date of CXR ___/___/___	CXR Reading: <input type="checkbox"/> Normal (No Evidence of TB) <input type="checkbox"/> Abnormal		<input type="checkbox"/> Copy of Report Attached
Health Dept Evaluation?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	Date of Evaluation: ___/___/___	Recommendation:	<input type="checkbox"/> Copy of Report Attached
Prophylactic Treatment For Latent TB?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <small>Provide Reason Not Treated</small>	Tx Started: ___/___/___ Tx Ended: ___/___/___	Medication(s): _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Copy of Report Attached
TB Symptom Survey	Date Of Survey: ___/___/___	Any "Yes" Responses to Symptoms on TB Survey? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		<input type="checkbox"/> Copy of Survey Attached
Section C				
History of Active Tuberculosis Infection				
TB Skin Test (≥ 10 mm)	Date Placed ___/___/___	Date Read ___/___/___	Result mm Induration	<input type="checkbox"/> Copy of Report Attached
TB Blood Assay	Test <input type="checkbox"/> <i>QuantiferON® TB Gold</i> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>T-SPOT</i>	Test Date ___/___/___	Results _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Copy of Report Attached
Chest X-Ray (CXR) <small>(Taken after + TB Test)</small>	Date of CXR ___/___/___	CXR Reading: _____		<input type="checkbox"/> Copy of Report Attached
Report from Health Department Required	Date of Evaluation: ___/___/___		Recommendation:	<input type="checkbox"/> Copy of Report Attached
TB Treatment	Medication(s):	Tx Started: ___/___/___ Tx Ended: ___/___/___		<input type="checkbox"/> Copy of Health Dept Report
TB Symptom Survey	Date Of Survey: ___/___/___	Any "Yes" Responses to Symptoms on TB Survey? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		<input type="checkbox"/> Copy of Survey Attached

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IMMUNIZATION DOCUMENTATION

Diphtheria/Tetanus/Pertussis – Initial Childhood Series

Diphtheria/Tetanus/Pertussis – Initial Childhood Series
DPT / DTaP / TD (circle one) Date Administered ____ / ____ / ____
DPT / DTaP / TD (circle one) Date Administered ____ / ____ / ____
DPT / DTaP / TD (circle one) Date Administered ____ / ____ / ____
DPT / DTaP / TD (circle one) Date Administered ____ / ____ / ____
DPT / DTaP / TD (circle one) Date Administered ____ / ____ / ____

Polio Series

Polio
OPV / IPV (circle one) Date Administered ____ / ____ / ____
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If you still have questions after reading the directions and the pre-matriculation form carefully, please send an email to shsimmunizations@musc.edu as we are currently unable to answer immunization questions by phone at this time.