

Student Immunization Requirements for Completion of Clinical Experiences

As a student of a health-related program at Meridian Technology Center you will be required to show proof of immunization before being allowed to complete the clinical portion of your training. The immunization requirements are not a Meridian Technology Center imposed requirement but are a requirement of the clinical facilities we must use in order for the student to complete their training program. Students who will be completing clinical rotations in long-term care facilities have slightly different immunization requirements than students attending clinical in with our other clinical partners. The requirements for each program are listed below.

Students who are unable or unwilling to complete the vaccination requirements will not be able to complete the clinical rotation which will prevent them from completing and graduating from their programs.

(Pre-Nursing) Long Term Care Nursing Assistant clinical requirements

Immunizations that must be documented are:

- **2** Tuberculosis Skin Tests (PPD) documented within the last 12 months.
 - Must submit 2 **negative** TB skin test results.
(The second test needs to be at least seven days after the first dose is administered, and needs to be administered and read after the start date of your class.)
 - If there is history of a reactive test or active disease, a chest x-ray is required.
- Flu vaccine
 - a flu vaccine for the current flu season.
- Respirator fit tested

Requirements for all other programs with clinical components

- **2** Tuberculosis Skin Tests (PPD) documented within the last 12 months.
 - Must submit 2 **negative** TB skin test results.
(The second test needs to be 7-10 days after the first test is read, and needs to be administered and read after the start date of your class.)
 - If there is history of a reactive test or active disease, a chest x-ray is required.
 - Student will be asked to complete a TB questionnaire just prior to the start of the clinical experience.
- Hepatitis B vaccination series
 - A series of **3** injections – an initial dose, 2nd dose one month after the first, and 3rd dose six months after the first injection
 - Or a signed waiver acknowledging your understanding of the risks of the disease. (get from your instructor)
- MMR Vaccination series
 - Two MMR vaccinations -or- positive titer proving immunity of all 3 components.

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- Varicella vaccination series (2 vaccines, 1 month apart), or positive titer proving immunity.
- Tdap vaccination within the past 10 years
- Flu vaccination if clinical rotation will be during flu season (typically October/November – February/March).
- COVID-19 vaccination series
 - 2 initial COVID-19 vaccinations will continue to be required. However, if the student wishes to be UNMASKED during clinical rotations, they must also provide proof of receiving a booster after 9/1/2022 (New Bivalent booster). Those without boosters are welcome but must be masked at all times.

*We must have written proof of each vaccine dose being administered (signed and dated). OSIS printed records are acceptable. Please ask for the 'Official Immunization Record'. Also, be sure to submit the TB skin test results, not just the document that shows it was administered.

**These requirements are subject to change during the school year as facilities may change their requirements due to updated guidelines.