

## Immunizations

**Introduction:** Students must provide a legible copy of the Certificate of Immunization or approved alternate documentation of immunizations from a health care provider. To come into compliance with immunization requirements, students may be assessed a charge. All students are encouraged to remain up-to-date on immunizations as recommended by the Centers for Disease Control and [Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices](#). The Certificate must be completed by a health care provider, which meets the following requirements:

1. **Measles, Mumps and Rubella:** 2 (two) MMR's (or written evidence of laboratory tests showing positive titers of all three immunities: measles, mumps and rubella).
2. **TDAP**
  - a. Tetanus: Documentation of a tetanus containing vaccine every 10 years (for example: Td, Tdap). DT and DTaP are not recommended for adults but still meet the requirement for a tetanus containing vaccine.
  - b. Pertussis: Documentation of one pertussis containing vaccine as an adult (age 19+).
3. **Hepatitis B series.** Second and third of three vaccines (includes the one dose prior to registration) of three dose series OR first and second vaccines of two dose series AND Evidence of serologic immunity; must submit copy of result.
4. **Varicella.** Documented history of a two-injection varicella immunization series OR a documented positive titer; must submit copy of result.
5. **Influenza (Flu) immunization.** Annual vaccine. Verification of Influenza Immunization Form
6. Students must upload records of the above into MyClinicalExchange in a timely manner to allow for review and approval by the published due date.
7. Students who do not meet published due dates for having immunization documentation submitted and approved in a timely manner may be administratively dropped from courses and will be placed on a Performance Improvement Contract (PIC).

**Procedure:** The student will provide documentation as instructed by policy. The management of immunization requirements and compliance will be carried out by the Nursing Department Academic Services Professional and the Undergraduate Clinical Placement Coordinator.

Students in clinical and community settings throughout the duration of the program are responsible for complying with all of the immunization requirements set forth by individual clinical sites (including additional immunizations not required by UCCS such as COVID-19), and supplying (if requested) to the affiliated health care facility any records for physical examinations, immunization status, and other medical tests and any other forms of required documentation (related to, for instance, Occupational Health and Safety Administration, Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act, and The Joint Commission requirements). Students who do not comply with immunization requirements described in this policy may not be allowed to progress in the program and/or be assigned a clinical placement until requirements are met.

Students who wish to file a medical exemption to immunization requirements will need to meet with [Office of Disability Services](#). Students who wish to file a religious exemption to immunization requirements will need to contact the [Dean of Students](#). The Dean of Students can approve religious accommodation in the form of an immunization exemption for UCCS only. Students will need to follow any exemption procedure for individual clinical sites. The Department of Nursing cannot guarantee clinical placement without following immunization requirements and this may impact the student's ability to find clinical placement.

Rationale: In order to provide a safe environment for students, faculty, the community, and patients/clients, students must meet the minimum requirements of the nursing discipline for safety and the prevention of transmission of communicable diseases.