Immunizations Policy
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LCME Standards

12.7 Immunization guidelines

Scope

This policy affects students.

Policy Statement
All IUSM students must complete immunization and contagious disease requirements. To ensure that all students are protected against preventable communicable illness, these requirements must be met prior to matriculation and annually thereafter.

Reason for Policy

Medical students encounter certain exposure risks when caring for patients with infectious disease. Medical students also may expose patients, some of whom have compromised immune status, to infectious diseases.

Approval

Approved by the Curriculum Council Steering Committee 1/17/2017.

Procedures

Students upload information about their immunizations through the IU Campus Health Portal at www.healthSV.iupui.edu. IUPUI Campus Health tracks medical students for compliance with immunizations; annual TB surveillance; annual fit testing; and annual flu vaccinations. Entering students must be compliant with all requirements by Aug. 31 for the upcoming academic year. A report about compliance among students in their second, third and fourth years is sent to Medical Student Education in mid-September. If a student has not fulfilled the immunization requirements, he/she receives an email from Medical Student Education indicating non-compliance with the requirement.

If a clinical site discovers that a student has not been immunized, the student is not allowed to return to the site until he/she can show compliance.

Students who fail to comply will be held accountable through the Professionalism Conduct Policy and this could affect future enrollment.

Definitions

Requirements prior to matriculation (i.e. incoming students):

- **Student health evaluation/exam**
  - Completed by physician, a nurse practitioner or a physician assistant.
  - May be done by a student’s primary care physician PCP, other provider or Campus Health.
  - Documentation to be sent to Campus Health.

- **Hepatitis B vaccine**
  - Three vaccines or immune HepBsAb titer.
  - Documentation to be sent to Campus Health.

- **Measles/mumps/rubella vaccine**
  - Two vaccines or immune antibody titers for all three diseases.
  - Documentation to be sent to Campus Health.
- Tdap (tetanus/diphtheria/acellular pertussis)
  - One vaccine.
  - Documentation to be sent to Campus Health.
- Varicella (chickenpox)
  - Two vaccines or immune antibody titer.
  - Documentation to be sent to Campus Health.
- TB surveillance
  - Two-step TB skin test, interferon gamma release assay blood test, or negative TB symptom questionnaire and chest x-ray (if + history of latent TB).
  - Documentation to be sent to Campus Health.
- Universal precautions training
  - Online educational module.

**Annual requirements for all students:**
- TB surveillance
  - TB skin test, interferon gamma release assay blood test, or negative TB symptom questionnaire (if + history of latent TB).
  - To be done by Campus Health or, if done elsewhere, student must send documentation to Campus Health.
- Fit testing for N95 respirators to protect against TB and other airborne contagious diseases
  - To be done by Campus Health or, if done elsewhere, student must send documentation to Campus Health.
- Flu vaccines
  - To be done by Campus Health or, if done elsewhere, student must send documentation to Campus Health.
- Universal precautions training
  - Online educational module.

**Sanctions**

Failure to comply with these requirements may affect enrollment status.

**Additional Contacts**

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**Related Information**

Universal Precautions policy.
Accommodations for Exposure to Infectious Agents policy.
Student Handbook - Immunizations/TB Surveillance Requirements:
https://mednet.medicine.iu.edu/md-students/curriculum-years/student-health/immunization-tb-requirements/

History

Replaces “Required Immunizations.”
Updated 1/24/2017 to reflect approval by Curriculum Council Steering Committee 1/17/2017.
Minor changes - Updated policy contacts, responsibility and related information 05/18/2018