

Immunization and Educational Requirements

Policy Information			
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1. Purpose

- 1.1. To define immunization requirements for all students, as well as immunizations and educational requirements for students prior to clinical courses.

2. Policy

- 2.1. Baptist College is committed to education and practices which contribute to preventing illness and maintenance of health. It is expected that degree-seeking students admitted to the College will have met the immunization requirements for enrollment and appropriate requirements for clinical settings.
- 2.2. Immunization requirements for enrollment:
 - 2.2.1. Documentation of immunity for measles, mumps, rubella, chicken pox (varicella), tetanus, diphtheria, pertussis; negative TB screening; and initiation of Hepatitis B series.
 - 2.2.2. Documentation of meningitis immunization for students living in campus housing under the age of 22.
- 2.3. Immunization requirements prior to the start of clinical courses :
 - 2.3.1. Completion of Hepatitis B series unless documented medical reason given. Declination statement must be signed in this instance.
 - 2.3.2. Documentation of current tuberculosis skin test at time of enrollment and annually thereafter.
 - 2.3.3. Documentation of negative urine drug screen prior to entrance into clinical coursework.
 - 2.3.4. Documentation of flu immunization.
- 2.4. Educational requirements prior to the start of clinical courses:
 - 2.4.1. Orientation to the health care environment, including facility-specific and program-specific educational requirements, as applicable.

3. Definitions

- 3.1. None.

4. Procedure

- 4.1. New Students:
 - 4.1.1. At the time of their acceptance, the Admissions Office notifies new students of their immunization and health records requirements for completing enrollment. Documentation of immunizations and health records is due at the time of Freshmen or Transfer Orientation, whichever is applicable to the student.

- 4.1.2. Failure to complete all required immunizations will result in students being dropped from all courses prior to the beginning of the term.
- 4.2. Returning Students:
 - 4.2.1. University Health Services at the University of Tennessee (UT Health Services) will notify the Baptist College Registrar's Office of enrolled students who are no longer up-to-date with immunization requirements prior to Priority Registration as noted on the College's Academic Calendar.
 - 4.2.2. The Registrar's Office will place a hold on the student's registration until the student completes the deficiency and is in compliance with policy.
- 4.3. Students Enrolled in Clinicals:
 - 4.3.1. In addition to procedures noted above for returning students, clinical coordinators of each clinical program will communicate with those students in their respective division or department prior to the start of clinical courses regarding current immunization and any specific requirements pertaining to the clinical environment or facilities.

5. Related Information

- 5.1. None.