

Lamar University
College of Arts and Sciences
Dishman School of Nursing

IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS

The following immunizations are **REQUIRED** by the JoAnne Gay Dishman School of Nursing Student Health Policy and **must** be completed one week prior to the first-class day of the semester. According to the Texas Administrative Code (2016), nursing students must have all of the following vaccinations before they engage in direct patient contact:

1. TUBERCULIN SCREEN (ANNUALLY):

- a. Date tested either TB skin test or Interferon Gamma Release Assay [IGRAs] (Must be current for the entire semester).
- b. Results*

*Note: If TB screen is positive, your Primary Care Provider must submit a statement concerning your current health status. If chest x-ray done, attach copy of the report.

2. POLIO: Not required if older than 18 years of age.

- a. Date of last oral dose
OR
- b. Exempt by age

3. TETANUS/DIPHTHERIA/PERTUSSIS: An initial series of DTaP required **with** a Tdap booster documented after the age of 11 or 12 years, then a Td booster every 10 years.

- a. Proof of initial series
AND
- b. Date of Tdap booster
- c. Date of last Td

4. MEASLES:

- a. Dates of 2 immunizations*

*All individuals born on or after January 1, 1957, must show 2 doses of measles vaccine administration on or after their 1st birthday and at least 30 days apart.

- OR**
- b. Confirmed immunity by serologic testing OR
- c. Confirmation of the disease from healthcare provider or official school records OR
- d. Written waiver or letter from primary care provider stating medical reason for exemption

5. MUMPS:

- a. Dates of 2 immunizations*

*All individuals born on or after January 1, 1957, must show 2 doses of measles vaccine administration on or after their 1st birthday and at least 30 days apart.

- OR**
- b. Confirmed immunity by serologic testing OR
- c. Confirmation of the disease from healthcare provider or official school records OR
- d. Written waiver or letter from primary care provider stating medical reason for exemption

6. RUBELLA:

- a. Date of last immunization

- OR**
- b. Confirmed immunity by serologic testing
OR
- c. Confirmation of the disease from healthcare provider or official school records
OR
- d. Written waiver or letter from primary care provider stating medical reason for exemption

7. VARICELLA:

- a. Dates of 2 immunizations
OR
- b. Confirmed immunity by serologic testing
OR
- c. Confirmation of the disease from healthcare provider or official school records
OR
- d. Written waiver or letter from primary care provider stating medial reason for exemption

8. HEPATITIS B:

- a. Dates of 3 immunizations (primary series)
AND
Laboratory confirmed immunity by serologic testing*
*If the serologic testing (blood test) is **negative immunity**, then the student must:
 - Take one booster dose **or** Repeat a 2nd series (3 immunizations)
 - If, after repeating the Hep B series or Booster, immunity is not attained, the requirement has been met**OR**
- b. Confirmed immunity by serologic test*
OR
- c. Written waiver or letter from primary care provider stating medial reason for exemption

9. INFLUENZA VACCINE (ANNUALLY):

- a. Due by October 15 each fall semester
OR
- b. Written waiver or letter from primary care provider stating medial reason for exemption.

Reference

Texas Administrative Code (2016, July). Rule 97.64: Required Vaccinations for Students Enrolled in Health-related and Veterinary Courses in Institutions of Higher Education. Retrieved from [https://texreg.sos.state.tx.us/public/readtac\\$ext.TacPage?sl=R&app=9&p_dir=&p_rloc=&p_tloc=&p_ploc=&pg=1&p_tac=&ti=25&pt=1&ch=97&rl=64](https://texreg.sos.state.tx.us/public/readtac$ext.TacPage?sl=R&app=9&p_dir=&p_rloc=&p_tloc=&p_ploc=&pg=1&p_tac=&ti=25&pt=1&ch=97&rl=64)

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