

Explanation of Immunizations and Requirements

School of Nursing

Students Entering the First Clinical Semester:

1. Physical Exam or MD note: Students must show proof of physical exam or a statement from a healthcare provider (MD, NP, etc.) that he/she is "mentally and physically capable of participating in a Nursing clinical setting."
2. DPT: Proof of a tetanus booster within the last ten years or proof of childhood DPT immunization. Students will still be required to obtain a booster shot.
3. VZ: Proof of positive titer showing antibodies against Varicella. Students yielding a negative titer must undergo the two-dose Varivax vaccine and have another titer performed.
4. MMR: Proof of immunity against measles, mumps, and rubella. Students may also submit dates of two-dose vaccine.
5. Hep B: Proof of a positive Hepatitis B antibody titer. Submission of three doses will not suffice. Students must have a titer performed within six weeks of receiving the third Hepatitis B vaccine. In the event that a negative titer is produced, the student must undergo a second series of vaccines. The student is allowed to enter the clinical setting upon showing proof of at least the first two vaccines. The student is allowed to enter the clinical setting upon showing proof of at least the first two doses.
6. Background Check
7. 10-panel Drug Screen

First Semester and Continuing Students:

1. CPR certification - Students must complete the Healthcare Provider certification from the American Heart Association. Students must have the correct certification prior to entering the clinical setting.
2. PPD: First semester clinical students must show proof of two negative PPDs completed within one year of each other. Continuing students must renew their PPD annually. Students who have a positive PPD status must show proof of a negative chest x-ray or negative symptom review and must be renewed annually.
3. Health Insurance: Proof of health insurance comparable to the USF Student Health Insurance.