



Ohio Institute of Allied Health

School of Integrative Healthcare

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Department: EDUCATION

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Subject: Student Vaccination Policy

Purpose: To comply with the clinical practice agencies, accreditation/approval agencies, and Ohio State Laws; To protect the overall health and safety of our students, faculty, staff on and off campus, and the community

Policy:

This policy responds to requirements set forth by the Higher Education Opportunity Act (HEOA) regarding participating Title IV schools. Specifically HEOA Section 488(a)(1)(E): amended HEA Section 485(a)(1)(20 U.S.C. 1092(a)(1)): added HEA Section 485(a)(1)(V). HEOA amendment effective August 14, 2008; DCL GEN 08-12, page 96; and provides additional information to the existing request for immunization information on the Ohio Institute of Allied Health (OIAH) required health history form.

As such, OIAH has followed the guidelines and codes established by the American College Health Association (<http://www.acha.org/ACHA/Resources/Topics/Vaccine.aspx>), the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (<https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/adults/rec-vac/>), and the Ohio Department of Health (<https://www.odh.ohio.gov/odhprograms/bid/immunization/immindex1.aspx>)

The policy applies to all newly admitted students whether by regular admission, readmission, advanced placement, or transfer processes.

The Ohio Institute of Allied Health (OIAH) mandates that all students (regular admission, readmission, advanced placement, or transfer students) must meet the following minimum requirements:

1. Provide a completed medical history form (completed no later than two weeks prior to starting class).
2. Provide a recent physical completed, signed, and dated by a primary care provider within (completed no later than two weeks prior to starting class)
3. Provide written documentation from a licensed health care provider or other acceptable evidence for immunizations against the following diseases. Documentation should include the names of the disease immunized against, the number of doses received, and the dates of administration. This information should be submitted using the required health history form.
 - a. Measles, Mumps, and Rubella (two doses or titer showing immunity or documented history of disease)
If students were born prior to January 1, 1957, they are assumed to have developed immunity and do not have to provide documentation.
 - b. Hepatitis B (two/three dose series or titer showing immunity)
The student may attend classes/clinical/lab with the documented first dose but must complete the series as recommended by the Center for Disease Control and Prevention.
 - c. Varicella (two dose series 4 weeks apart, titer showing immunity, or documented history of disease)
 - d. Tetanus, Diphtheria, Pertussis - Tdap (one dose) followed by a booster every 10 years
 - e. TB screening (documentation of two step Mantoux, QuantiFERON, T-Spot, one step with annual dates, or chest X-ray within the last year)
 - f. Influenza – annual immunization is required
 - g. COVID-19 with subsequent boosters as-needed

Recommended: Pneumonia



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Compliance: Any student who has failed to comply with the admission requirements, including the above immunizations and health forms by the dates listed below will be notified of the necessity to comply with the policy. Those students will be informed of how they can come into compliance with the policy requirements.

- All registered nursing students must submit immunizations and health forms no later than one day prior to attending clinicals. Any registered nursing student attending clinicals that fails to comply with the requirements will be subject to administrative withdrawal from the program.
- All practical nursing students must submit immunizations and health forms no later than two weeks prior to attending clinicals. Any registered nursing student, attending clinicals, that fails to comply with the requirements will be subject to administrative withdrawal from the program.

In the event a student does not provide required documentation as noted above, OIAH reserves the right to place a hold on the student's account and/or administratively withdraw the students from the program.

Exemptions: A statement from a licensed primary care provider (physician, nurse practitioner, etc.) indicating one or more immunizations is detrimental to the student's health may be accepted as an exemption. However, the student understands that the clinical practice agency may not allow the student to attend clinical. The student will not be given alternative clinical assignments due to the limitations of clinical availability. In addition, the student may not progress through the program if clinical requirements cannot be met.

Campus Director Signature: _____ Date: _____