



QUILLEN COLLEGE of MEDICINE

EAST TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY

Policy Name/Number: Quillen College of Medicine Student Vaccinations / ADMIN-0921-17

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A. Policy Statement:

All entering medical students are required to provide documentation of current immunizations for Diphtheria, Pertussis, Tetanus, Measles, Mumps, Rubella (MMR), Hepatitis B, Varicella and COVID-19 prior to their initial enrollment.

B. Purpose of Policy:

To ensure medical students have obtained the required immunizations prior to matriculation and to ensure the required testing and vaccines are being obtained while enrolled at Quillen College of Medicine.

C. Scope of Policy (applies to):

All medical students in the Quillen College of Medicine

D. Policy Activities:

All entering students are required to provide documentation of current immunizations for Diphtheria, Pertussis, Tetanus, Measles, Mumps, Rubella (MMR), Hepatitis B, Varicella and COVID-19 prior to their initial enrollment based on CDC recommendations for healthcare workers. Additionally, students are required to provide evidence of immunity to Hepatitis B by obtaining a blood serum titer following completion of the Hepatitis B vaccination series. Students whose Hepatitis B titer is negative will be required to repeat the vaccination series and obtain an additional titer.

Entering students are also required to have on record the results of a recently completed physical examination, as well as the results of a Tuberculosis (TB) skin test taken prior to initial registration. If the TB skin test is positive, the student must also provide documentation of treatment or management. Students whose TB skin test results are negative are required to have the TB skin test performed again prior to beginning clerkships. Students are required to receive an influenza immunization annually in order to participate in clinical activities.

All documentation should be uploaded to myRecordTracker.com. Uploaded documentation of the hepatitis titer must include a copy of the laboratory report indicating a numerical value for the surface antibody.

Students who are unable to comply with the requirements due to extenuating circumstances should contact the Office for Student Affairs, which will determine the appropriate action.

These requirements are based on standards established by the federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration for health care workers, as well as the Centers for Disease Control; consequently, they surpass those normally required of college students.