Health Careers and Nursing
Immunization and Health Requirement
Completion Guide
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OVERVIEW
The completion guide is designed to assist the health career student fulfill the necessary health and immunization requirements throughout their course of study at Cuyahoga Community College. Many requirements are universal; however, there are some variances among the health career programs. Always consult your respective program for specific requirement information.

Once you have fulfilled the requirements, your documents must be uploaded to ADB-Complio. **Do not** attempt to create an account or upload documents *until* you have received your program-specific code from your health career program. It is highly recommended that you attend an Immunization and Health Requirement Information Session before establishing your ADB-Complio account.* Schedules and registration available at [http://www.tri-c.edu/programs/health-careers/](http://www.tri-c.edu/programs/health-careers/)

**Medically documented evidence** – Please be aware that many requirements mandate “Medically documented evidence.” **This is defined as follows:** Electronic Records (ex. MyChart) OR document/printout on medical provider/facility letterhead. All other documents must be signed and/or stamped by a healthcare provider that includes the provider’s name and contact information as well as the student’s name, date of birth and date of service.

*All potential and incoming students are required to attend the Training Session; however, nursing students should note that a similar information session will be offered by the Division of Nursing. Attending the open session will not fulfill the mandatory requirement for nursing.
A titer is a blood test that checks your immune status to specific diseases. In reference to MMR and Varicella, an IgG titer is required. A positive result indicates that you have immunity and do not require an additional vaccine. You must FIRST obtain a titer for MMR and Varicella even if you were previously vaccinated.

A negative or equivocal result for any of these diseases indicates that you may need additional doses of the vaccine. Please Note - immunity must be demonstrated by a lab report with lab values and reference ranges that confirm immunity.

**All health requirement standards are current and up to date with the CDC Guidelines for Healthcare Professionals [https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/adults/rec-vac/hcw.html]**

**MMR TITER (MEASLES, MUMPS AND RUBELLA) TITER IS REQUIRED FIRST**

- A positive IgG titer result indicates immunity. Must be demonstrated by a lab report.
- A negative or equivocal IgG titer result for Measles, Mumps or Rubella does not satisfy this requirement. If your result is negative or equivocal you must provide/obtain one of the following:
  - Medically documented evidence of obtaining two doses of MMR dated after the negative titer
    - You are NOT required to obtain a follow-up titer unless indicated by your clinical site

**Note:** - doses must be administered 28 days apart based upon current CDC recommendations

**VARICELLA (CHICKEN POX) TITER IS REQUIRED FIRST**

- A positive IgG titer result indicates immunity. Must be demonstrated by a lab report.
- A negative or equivocal IgG titer result for Varicella does not satisfy this requirement. If your result is negative or equivocal you must provide/obtain one of the following:
  - Medically documented evidence of obtaining two vaccines for Varicella dated after the negative titer result
    - You are NOT required to obtain a follow-up titer unless indicated by your clinical site
HEPATITIS B (HEP B)

- a positive Hep B antibody titer (proving immunity to Hep B)

If you don’t have documented evidence of a positive titer that proves immunity to hepatitis B, then you should:

  - Confirm with a healthcare professional that you have received all three doses of the Hep B series. Some students find that they have not received the third dose which is required to receive a positive titer.

  - If three dose series completed prior to the negative titer results, you will need complete another three dose series of Recombivax HB or Engerix-B
    - Dose 1 administered on day 0
    - Dose 2 administered one month after dose one
    - Dose 3 administered five months after dose two

Heplisav-B, the hepatitis B two-dose vaccine currently produced by Dynavax+, is an option for students who may need the vaccination in a shorter period of time. Please see footnote for further information.

You must have a positive titer result after the series is completed once the notification of a negative has been received in order to be compliant for clinical

TDAP (TETANUS-DIPHTHERIA-PERTUSSIS) (VACCINE)

A documented dose of Tdap

  - If Tdap was obtained more than 10 years prior, a Td booster is required. Healthcare provider must complete dose date and booster date (if applicable) and enter provider information.
  - Td booster is required every 10 years following the Tdap

* Student is permitted to attend clinical with two-doses; however, must proceed with three-dose schedule as required. Some clinical sites may require an additional three-dose series for those with a negative or equivocal titer. Check with your program.

The Heplisav-B is an option for vaccinations however this is not an accepted option at all clinical sites as a satisfactory option for completion of the two dosages. Please check with your program to confirm the intended clinical site will accept this option.

+ The College does not endorse this manufacturer. This is for informational purpose only.
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TB TEST (TUBERCULOSIS TESTING)

- **A two-step (Double Mantoux) is required** initially (within the past twelve months of admission into a health career program). Obtain test 1, return 48-72 hours to have test read. Obtain test 2 one to three weeks after test 1 is administered, return 48-72 hours to have test read. Your healthcare provider must document dates, results and enter provider information. **If positive due to latent tuberculosis, obtain a chest x-ray and a medical provider statement. Please see details below**

- **A one-step TB is required** in subsequent years following the initial two-step. Annually and prior to the one-year anniversary of the last skin test, obtain a one-step TB skin test. Your healthcare provider must complete results, date, and enter provider information. **Please note: If you fail to obtain a subsequent TB screening within 12 months, you will be required to repeat the two-step or obtain an IGRA Blood Test.**

  OR

  IGRA Blood Test - i.e. QuantifFERON Gold or T-Spot (you may choose this option annually in lieu of the skin tests listed above.) Your healthcare provider must document results, date and enter provider information. **If positive due to latent tuberculosis, obtain a chest x-ray.**

  - Please note: in subsequent years if a student elects to switch to the skin test option, a two-step will be required, followed by annual one-steps.

  AND

- **Chest x-ray** is required for positive results due to latent tuberculosis disease. A chest x-ray is only required **once every five years**. Medical Provider Verification Statement required in conjunction with x-ray report. **In subsequent years following the chest x-ray a NEW Medical Provider Verification Statement** is required to confirm the absence of active TB.

- **Medical Provider Verification Statement** Required in combination with original x-ray and independently in subsequent years following a chest x-ray. Your healthcare provider must provide a statement that indicates there are no active signs of TB and enter provider information.
INFLUENZA VACCINE

- An Influenza vaccine (flu shot) ▲ is required annually as of October 1 through the Spring Semester (May). You must provide a document that includes your name, date and medical source, and receipt if from a pharmacy, or your healthcare provider must document the date, and enter provider information. You will receive annual renewal notifications from ADB-Complio.
- Student who are in clinicals during the Summer Semester are not required to have a flu shot; however, are expected to be compliant during Fall and Spring.

PROGRAM SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS (APPLIES TO ONLY THOSE PROGRAMS LISTED) and SPECIAL SITUATIONS

- Vision Exam is required for the Dental Hygiene, MLT, Phlebotomy and Optical programs ONLY. Provider to enter date of exam and complete provider information.
- Color Blindness Test is required for the MLT and Phlebotomy Programs ONLY. Provider to enter date of exam and complete provider information.
- Dental Exam with Radiographic images Dental Hygiene ONLY. Provider to enter date of exam and complete provider information.
- Pre-Exposure Rabies Vaccine Vet Tech ONLY. Obtain the three-dose series according to the following schedule: Dose 1 - as appropriate; Dose 2 – 7 days after dose 1; Dose 3 – 28 days after dose 1. Your healthcare provider must document dates and enter provider information.
- Accommodations and Waivers (COVID19 and FLU ONLY)- This is coordinated between the clinical site/program staff/clinical compliance staff.

REQUIRED FORMS

HEALTH RELEASE FORM

- The Health Release Form is required for most health career programs. The Health Release confirms health status and verifies that a physical was conducted within 12 months of starting the program. The healthcare provider must enter provider information. Student must sign and date. (Some health career programs may have additional physical requirements, please check with specific program). Form is only available within your established ADB-Complio account under Document Library.
HEALTH INSURANCE ATTESTATION

• Health insurance is required for most health career programs. Students are required to complete and submit the Health Insurance Attestation form in its entirety. Students may also be asked to provide evidence of health insurance from the clinical/practicum site during his/her clinical experience. **Form is only available within your established American Databank (ADB)-Complio under Document Library.**

CPR

• Many health career programs require CPR certification. **American Heart Association** Basic Life Support for Health Care Professionals is the **ONLY** acceptable certification. Documentation to be uploaded to the student’s ADB-Complio account. Acceptable documentation includes:
  - Copy of front and back of CPR card with signature or Digital Certificate with name and barcode
  - Letter of certificate verifying completion of course (temporary 30 day approval)
  - Link to course offerings: [https://cpe.tri-c.edu/search/publicCourseSearchDetails.do?method=load&courseId=43287](https://cpe.tri-c.edu/search/publicCourseSearchDetails.do?method=load&courseId=43287)

BUREAU OF CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION (BCI) CHECK

• Most health career programs require a criminal background check (BCI and FBI). The following URL provides a link to the required ADB-Complio Training: [https://www.tri-c.edu/programs/health-careers/student-resources.html](https://www.tri-c.edu/programs/health-careers/student-resources.html) Students **cannot** order background packages until they complete this training. Instructions on the two documents which you needs to take with for fingerprinting are discussed in training and received via your personal email after your order.

DRUG SCREEN

• Many health care facilities require students that attend their site be drug screened. Detailed information is available at the following URL [http://www.tri-c.edu/programs/health-careers/documents/Drug%20Screening%20Policy.pdf](http://www.tri-c.edu/programs/health-careers/documents/Drug%20Screening%20Policy.pdf) Students **should not** obtain a drug screen unless instructed to do so by the respective program.

**Please note:** Health requirement fulfillment is based upon clinical site, college and program specific mandates and recommendations. While every effort is made to ensure accuracy, requirements are subject to change without warning. **Please verify requirements with your health career program before attending the mandatory compliance training.**
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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

WHO TO CALL FOR HELP

The Ohio Attorney General Office Help Line: (855) 224-6446 - Please use this number (students only) if you are seeking information on your background report status.

** Students should only use this option as directed by Clinical Compliance Office***

- For support with your ADB-Complio, please use the Live Chat, or email Complio@american databank.com or call Applicant Success Team at (800)200-0853 / (303) 573-1130 (Remember this vendor is on a different time zone (MST - Mountain Standard Time) please be aware of this at the time you call.

- For all other issues related to clinical compliance, contact the Clinical Compliance Staff at 216.987.3475

RESOURCES

- Student Resource Page - Information on low-cost health care, immunizations, titers and health insurance
  http://www.tri-c.edu/programs/health-careers/documents/health-requirement-resources.pdf

- BLS CPR Classes for Healthcare Professionals at Cuyahoga Community College