



Sam Houston State University

School of Nursing

Required Immunizations, TB Testing, and Health Screening

Proof of immunizations, current TB testing, and health screening is required following initial acceptance into the nursing program. Incomplete immunizations may cause a delay in starting, therefore plan ahead, as some vaccine series, such as Hepatitis B, require 4 to 6 months to complete. Valid documentation of childhood immunizations may be accepted.

- **MMR (Measles, Mumps, Rubella)**—2 doses **OR** copy of original lab report indicating positive IgG titers for Measles/Mumps/Rubella. Results must show reference ranges.
- **Varicella (Chickenpox)**—2 doses **OR** copy of original lab report indicating positive IgG titer for Varicella. Results must show reference ranges. **Note:** *History of chickenpox disease must be documented with proof of positive IgG titer for Varicella.*
- **Tdap**—1 dose of **Tetanus/Diphtheria/Pertussis** received as an adult within the past 10 years.
- **Hepatitis B**—3 doses **OR** copy of original lab report indicating positive Hepatitis B Surface Antibody. Results must show reference ranges. **Note:** *Documentation of Hepatitis B vaccine series must meet valid intervals and requires a minimum of 4 months to complete. Series must be complete prior to start of clinicals. For questions about valid intervals, contact Nursing Clinical Coordinator.*
- **Influenza**—Required annually for current season.
- **Tuberculosis (TB) Testing**—Required annually and must remain current the entire semester. PPD skin test results must be reported in millimeters “mm” (*not just as positive or negative*) with the date given and the date read.
If PPD result is positive, you must submit a chest x-ray radiology report to specifically rule out active disease, along with skin test report in “mm”.
- **Health History and Physical Examination**- by licensed health care provider documented on SHSU School of Nursing Health Certificate form.

If you have questions about immunizations and health screening requirements, contact the SHSU School of Nursing Clinical Coordinator at (936) 294-2516.