



## **Immunization Requirements for Students**

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### Purpose

The purpose of this policy will be to set forth guidelines for immunizations required for all Fairleigh Dickinson University (University) students who reside and/or take classes on campus in an effort to reduce incidence of vaccine preventable diseases in the greater community.

### Additional Authority

N.J.S.A. 18A:6 1D-1 et seq., N.J.A.C 8:57-6.1 et seq.

### Scope

All University students who are enrolled in a program of study leading to an academic degree.

## **POLICY**

### I. Policy Statement

Fairleigh Dickinson University follows all NJ state laws requiring immunizations, titers, and exemptions for all of its students who are enrolled in a program of study leading to an academic degree. State law does not limit the University's ability to impose additional health requirements on such students.

### II. Procedure

Require that all University students enrolled in a program of study leading to an academic degree to receive, or show documented serology immunity to the following vaccines following the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services, Center for Disease and Control's Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices recommendations.

A. Two doses of MMR (Measles, Mumps, Rubella): Anyone 18 years of age or older and born in 1957 or later will receive:

A MMR vaccine or individual vaccines for Measles, Mumps or Rubella unless previously vaccinated or had all 3 diseases.

B. Meningitis

1. Meningococcal Conjugate Vaccine (MenACWY) licensed for persons, ages nine months to 55 years, for **individuals whom reside on campus**. First year

college students aged 21 years or younger living in campus residence hall:  
one dose at age 16 years of age or older; vaccine must be within 5 years.

- C. Hepatitis B: Three-Dose Hepatitis B Vaccine Schedule of Administration
- D. TDAP: Tetanus, Diphtheria, Acellular Pertussis (whooping cough) (required for students enrolled in Nursing or Pharmacy programs or are on-campus residents); vaccine must be within 10 years.
- E. Varicella two doses and/or disease date.
- F. PPD (Mantoux), QuantiFERON-TB Gold and/or T Spot-TB test for tuberculosis is required.
- G. Titers

If an individual cannot provide proof of immunization from medical records then proof of immunity through serology titers for: MMR, Hepatitis B, Varicella will be required.

- a. Serology should not be done in lieu of aborting vaccination series.
- b. If the student is not immune to MMR, Hepatitis B, or Varicella the student will be required to complete a revaccination series or one booster for the respective susceptibility.

- H. Depending on the region and/or country individual students come from, the University reserves the right to request the individuals to receive a MMR, Hepatitis B, Varicella, and/or TDAP vaccines in concurrence with the Center for Disease Control travel guidelines.

III. *Other Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices* Recommended Adult Vaccines, that are currently not required under New Jersey law or University policy:

- A. Influenza (October through March)
- B. Hepatitis A
- C. Haemophilus influenza type B (Hib)
- D. Human Papillomavirus (HPV)
- E. Herpes Zoster (HZV)
- F. Pneumococcal Polysaccharide
- G. Serogroup B meningococcal vaccines

#### IV. Exemptions

A student may be exempt from the foregoing under the following circumstances:

- A. Religious Exemption (8:57-6.14): The individual must provide a written statement that explains how immunizing agents conflict with the student's religious beliefs/practices; the statement must be notarized.
- B. Medical Exemption (8:57-6.14): Immunizations, which are medically contraindicated, shall not be required. The student must provide a written statement indicating that an immunization is medically contraindicated for a specific period of time, and setting forth the reason(s) for the medical contraindication.
- C. Students enrolled in a program for which students do not congregate, on campus or in an off-campus facility; e.g. the student attends the University through on-line programs only.