



Immunization Requirements for Students

Responsible Office	Student Health Services (SHS)	Effective Date	06/01/2019
Responsible Official	Respective Directors of SHS	Last Revision	N/A

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.