

Northwestern University

REQUIRED IMMUNIZATIONS

MEDICAL STUDENTS



Students are required by Northwestern University and Illinois State Law to submit proof of immunizations. Please submit copies of immunization records which provides all of the requirements listed below. All records must be submitted in English — a translation by a certified translator with copies of the original records is acceptable.

SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES — Measles doses before 1/1/1968 are not accepted. If you have no immunization records, you have the option to complete blood tests to prove immunity to Measles, Mumps and Rubella or be revaccinated. Revaccination is the only option for the Tetanus/Diphtheria/Pertussis requirement and an extension may be granted to complete the three dose series after the deadline, when necessary.

Submit your documentation online to the immunization health Portal at https://www.healthy.nuhs.northwestern.edu/login_directory.aspx or send an email to HIMS@northwestern.edu.

M-M-R vaccinations COMBINED Measles, Mumps, Rubella		Dose #1 — on or after 1 st birthday
		Dose #2 — at least 28 days after dose #1
<p style="text-align: center;">MEASLES (Rubeola)</p> <p>2 doses required. Both must be done on or after 1st birthday, after 1/1/68, and at least 28 days apart.</p> <p>OR - Submit a copy of lab report (titer) confirming MEASLES (RUBEOLA) immunity (antibodies).</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">MUMPS</p> <p>2 doses required. Both must be done on or after 1st birthday, and at least 28 days apart.</p> <p>OR - Submit a copy of lab report (titer) confirming MUMPS immunity (antibodies).</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">RUBELLA (German Measles)</p> <p>2 doses required. Both must be done on or after 1st birthday, and at least 28 days apart.</p> <p>OR - Submit a copy of lab report (titer) confirming RUBELLA immunity (antibodies).</p>
<p>TETANUS/DIPHTHERIA/PERTUSSIS — 3 doses of DTP, DTaP, DT, Td, or Tdap are required</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The first 2 doses MUST be at least 28 days apart. One dose MUST be a Tdap completed within 10 years prior to entrance into Northwestern University and at least 6 months after the last primary series vaccination. Brand names for Tdap are : Boostrix®, Adacel®, Repevax®, or Refortrix® 		
<p>TUBERCULOSIS TESTING: Complete ONE of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> QuantiFERON® TB Gold blood test: Must be completed on or after May 1st of the year you enter the program. A copy of the lab report must be submitted. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ If the QuantiFERON® TB Gold blood test result is positive, a chest x-ray performed in the USA must also be completed and attached to the result — once on campus, a visit with a Student Health Service physician is needed. History of positive QuantiFERON TB Gold blood test: Submit chest x-ray performed in the USA on or after May 1st of the year you enter the program — If available, also include the historical positive Tuberculosis test result and if applicable, any TB treatment records — once on campus, a visit with a Student Health Service physician is needed. ❖ STUDENTS ARRIVING FROM OTHER COUNTRIES in need of a TB test and/or chest x-ray have until 30 days after the start of classes to complete without incurring penalty. 		
<p>HEPATITIS B IMMUNITY — HEPATITIS B SURFACE ANTIBODIES TITER (IGG)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A positive lab report confirming Hepatitis B immunity MUST be submitted to meet this requirement. Please submit all HepB vaccination dates if known. If your titer did not prove immunity (negative or equivocal) or you just started the vaccination series, submit the dates of all HepB vaccinations completed to date along with the negative/equivocal lab results. 		
<p>VARICELLA (Chicken Pox): A positive varicella (IGG) lab report (titer) OR 2 varicella vaccination dates will meet this requirement.</p>		