

- A. **Mercy College students enrolled in ground-based and/or hybrid programs of study, as well as any Mercy College students who participate in any in-person clinical activity must be vaccinated against COVID-19.** Mercy College students who are enrolled in a *fully online* program and will not have an in-person clinical component during the course of their program are exempt at this time.
- a. **COVID Vaccination:** Proof of two-dose Moderna/Pfizer or single dose Johnson & Johnson COVID immunizations
- B. **ALL CLINICAL STUDENTS** in Mercy College of Ohio health programs must also demonstrate compliance with the following health screenings/immunizations and BLS certifications. **IgG Antibody Titer (blood draw) lab reports showing proof of immunity (not vaccination records) are required for most students.** Students in non-credit and certificate programs may provide proof of immunization unless titers are required by clinical site.

Requirements are subject to change based on Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and/or clinical affiliation site guidelines.

- a. **Hepatitis B IgG Antibody Titer** – must show immunity (positive)
- i. If titer is ***not*** positive:
1. 3 new doses of Hepatitis B (3 dose series: 0, 1, 6 months), **AND**
 2. Anti-HBs serologic retest 6-8 weeks after final dose
- OR**
3. 2 doses of Heplisav-B® (HepB-CpG) Vaccine (2 dose series: 0 and 2 months), **AND**
 4. Anti-HBs serologic retest 6-8 weeks after final dose
- b. **Measles (Rubeola) IgG Antibody Titer** – must show immunity (positive)
- i. If titer is ***not*** positive:
1. 2 doses of MMR (0 and at least 28 days later); no serologic retest necessary
- c. **Mumps IgG Antibody Titer** – must show immunity (positive)
- i. If titer is ***not*** positive:
1. 2 doses of MMR (0 and at least 28 days later); no serologic retest necessary
- d. **Rubella (German Measles) IgG Antibody Titer** – must show immunity (positive)
- i. If titer is ***not*** positive:
1. 2 doses of MMR (0 and at least 28 days later); no serologic retest necessary

- e. **Varicella (Chickenpox) IgG Antibody Titer** – must show immunity (positive)
 - i. If titer is *not* positive:
 - 1. 2 doses of Varicella (0 and at least 28 days later); no serologic retest necessary
- f. **Tetanus-Diphtheria-Pertussis (Tdap)** - renews every 10 years
 - i. Documentation of Tdap during lifetime
AND (if Tdap is older than 10 years)
 - ii. Documentation of adult Td booster or Tdap within past 10 years
- g. **Tuberculosis (TB) Screening or TB Blood Draw** - one of the following, must be negative; renews annually:
 - i. 2-step Mantoux PPD at entry followed by annual 1-step PPD
 - ii. Previous 2-step Mantoux PPD with subsequent annual 1-step PPD screenings
 - iii. Serum T-Spot or QuantiFERON test annually
 - iv. In the event student has had the BCG vaccination, serum T-Spot or QuantiFERON test annually

If TB screen is positive*, the following is required:

- v. Negative chest X-ray radiology report within past 5 years with negative TB Symptoms Review **AND** annual negative TB Symptoms Review
- vi. If chest X-ray is *not* negative, one of the following is required:
 - a. Confirmation of appropriately collected negative sputum results
 - OR**
 - b. proof of adequate treatment and medical clearance (free from communicable diseases) with appropriate follow-up as indicated by Health Care Provider

***NOTE:** *Physician Assistant students with a positive TB test must show adequate treatment and/or medical clearance as indicated PRIOR TO THE FIRST DAY OF CLASSES.*

All other students with a positive TB test must show adequate treatment and/or medical clearance PRIOR TO CLINICAL OR PRACTICUM ASSIGNMENT.

h. Annual Influenza Immunization

- i. **Basic Life Support (BLS) for Healthcare Professionals** - renews every two years

Not required for students in *Healthcare Administration*, *Health Information Technology*, and *Master of Health Administration*; all other students must provide **Basic Life Support** certification from ONE of the following:

- i. [American Heart Association](#) (AHA)
- ii. [American Red Cross](#) (ARC)
- iii. American Safety and Health Institute (offered at various locations)

Courses from any other providers will not be accepted.

- j. **Heartsaver® CPR AED (Community Health Worker students ONLY)** – renews every two years; certification from ONE of the following:

- i. [American Heart Association](#) (AHA)
- ii. [American Red Cross](#) (ARC)
- iii. American Safety and Health Institute (ASHI) (offered at various locations)

Courses from any other providers will not be accepted.

- k. **Advanced Cardiovascular Life Support (ACLS) for Healthcare Professionals (second year Physician Assistant students ONLY)** renews every two years; certification from ONE of the following:

- i. [American Heart Association](#) (AHA)
- ii. [American Red Cross](#) (ARC)
- iii. American Safety and Health Institute (ASHI) (offered at various locations)

Courses from any other providers will not be accepted.

Important Information Regarding Additional Requirements: *Some clinical sites may have additional health testing, immunization, and/or titer requirements that are not reflected in this Appendix. Program administrator will notify students when aware of such additional requirements. Students assigned to clinical rotations or requesting to be placed at a specific site with additional requirements must meet the appropriate health requirements as required by that specific site. Documentation showing compliance with additional requirements must be provided to the program administrator to be uploaded to the administrator portal of students' accounts with Vendor. Students are advised to keep copies of such documentation in case individual clinical sites require proof of completion. Costs associated with additional requirements are the responsibility of the student.*