Description:
The initial requirement for Tuberculosis is generally met through 1) a TB 2-step, 2) a lab report showing negative T-SPOT or QuantiFERON-TB blood test, or 3) submission of a clear chest X-ray report from within the past five years WITH a completed TB Symptoms Review form.

The TB 2-step test consists of the TB test administered on one arm, with the results read and recorded between 48-72 hours later; and then the process repeated on the opposite arm 7 to 21 days later (a total of four visits to the doctor’s office).

Documentation may be written on a prescription pad or physician’s office letterhead with the name and signature of the medical professional who administered/read the results, and should include the dates administered, dates read, the results (measured in mm) and whether the results were positive or negative.

One of the following is required:

- Current 2-step skin test administered 1-3 weeks apart, OR
- Two one-steps administered within the past 12 months, OR
- Two consecutive years of annual testing (current and prior year) OR
- Lab report showing negative T-SPOT or QuantiFERON-TB Test (lab report required), OR
- If student has had a negative chest X-ray within the past 5 years, upload the radiologist’s lab report AND TB Symptoms Review Form (available for download from the CastleBranch account), OR
- If student has had positive TB results in the past, provide documentation of a negative chest X-ray within the past 5 years by uploading the radiologist’s lab report AND TB Symptoms Review Form (available for download from the CastleBranch account).

The renewal will be set for 1 year. Upon renewal one of the following is required:

- Negative one-step test administered PRIOR to the due date. NOTE: Students who miss the TB renewal date must have another two-step and are not eligible to attend clinicals until the TB process is complete. OR
- Lab report showing negative T-SPOT or QuantiFERON-TB Test (lab report required), OR
- For previous positive results and/or previous submission of radiologist lab report for a clear chest x-ray, an updated TB Symptoms Review Form is due.

NOTE: If student must also complete the MMR vaccination: Measles vaccination may temporarily suppress tuberculin reactivity. MMR vaccine may be given after, or on the same day as, TB testing. If MMR has been given recently, postpone the TB test until 4-6 weeks after administration of MMR. If giving MMR simultaneously with tuberculin skin test, use the Mantoux test, not multiple puncture tests, because the latter, if results are positive, require confirmation (and confirmation would then have to be postponed 4-6 weeks).

Upload to CastleBranch account:

- TB 2-step documentation as described above, written on a prescription pad or physician’s office letterhead with the date, name and signature of the medical professional who administered/read the results. Include dates administered, dates read, the results (measured in mm) and whether the results were positive or negative.
- Include lab report and/or TB Symptoms Review Form if they are part of the documentation.

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