

# IMMUNIZATION & HEALTH REQUIREMENTS

MBKU always has students' health and safety in mind. As future healthcare professionals, students will be working with the public and may come into contact with various diseases. All students are required to provide a copy of their health insurance coverage.

The best way to be protected is to get immunized. The following immunization requirements apply to every student at MBKU and were developed based on recommendations from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices. This list is subject to change based on any new information disseminated by the CDC and/or other government health agencies.

**Tuberculosis (TB) Screening** – Proof of a negative purified protein derivative (PPD) Skin Test or recent chest x-ray results. The PPD Skin Test must be administered after May 15th, 3 months prior to entrance into MBKU. If testing is done before April 1st, the student will have to have the test redone. If the TB results are positive, the student must provide proof of a negative chest x-ray. Chest x-rays are good for 10 years from the date the chest x-ray was taken. Quantiferon TB Gold tests and T-Spot tests are also accepted. These must be updated annually.

**Measles, Mumps, Rubella (MMR)** – Documentation of two doses of MMR or labs proving immunity. If the student does not have documentation of immunizations or the labs do not show immunity, then the student must get two new doses of MMR.

**Varicella** – Documentation of two doses of the Varicella vaccine or titer to prove immunity. If the titer comes back negative, the student must provide documentation of a history of chickenpox **or** must receive two new doses of Varicella. A repeat titer is not required.

**Hepatitis B (Hep B)** – If the student has received the 2 or 3 dose series after the age of 18, the student needs to get a Hep B Surface Antibody titer proving immunity. If the titer does not show immunity, then the student must repeat the 2 or 3 dose series.

If the student has never received the two-dose (HepBisav-B) **or** three-dose (Engerix-B or Recombivax) series or received the series as a child, the student needs to get the 2 or 3 dose series started. Dose #1 is due prior to July 15th; dose #2 is due 1 month after the 1st dose; or prior to the first day of class.

Please Note: Students receiving the HEP B 3 shot series will be marked complete at the first shot, but with an expiration date set for one month later when the 2nd shot is due. Once the 2nd shot is provided, it will be marked complete, but with an expiration date set for five months later when the 3rd shot is due. (Note: For HepBisav-B 2 shot series; when the proof of second shot is provided, the expiration date will be set for one month later when the final titer is due.) Once the 3rd shot has been provided, the requirement will be marked as complete.

**Tetanus/Diphtheria Toxoid and Acellular Pertussis (Tdap)** – Documentation of one dose of Tdap within the last ten (10) years. If the Tdap was given more than ten years, the student must get a new Tetanus/Diphtheria/Pertussis (Tdap) dose. If no documentation is available, the student must get one dose of Tdap.

**Hepatitis A (Hep A)** – Documentation of two doses of Hep A or lab proving immunity. If the students do not have documentation of

immunization and the labs do not show immunity, then the student must get the two-dose series.

**Polio** – Documentation of 4 doses of Polio vaccine during childhood or three-dose series during adulthood or lab proving immunity.

**Meningococcal ACWY** – Documentation of one dose of a quadrivalent meningococcal conjugate vaccine. If the dose was administered more than five years ago, the student must get a booster.

**Flu (influenza)** – Please provide documentation of the student's current influenza vaccine. This vaccine may or may not be available at the time of enrollment. The flu vaccine should be administered annually between September-March.

**COVID-19 Vaccination Series** – Please provide documentation of COVID-19 vaccination. Students should follow the most updated CDC recommendations for COVID-19 vaccines. ([https://www.cdc.gov/covid/vaccines/stay-up-to-date.html?CDC\\_AAref\\_Val=https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/stay-up-to-date.html](https://www.cdc.gov/covid/vaccines/stay-up-to-date.html?CDC_AAref_Val=https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/stay-up-to-date.html))

**Basic Life Support (BLS) Card** – Please provide documentation of the student's BLS certification. All certifications must be administered by the American Heart Association Basic Life Support for Healthcare Providers. Course must be taken after August 1<sup>st</sup> biennially.