

TB TESTS AND IMMUNIZATION POLICIES

ANNUAL TB TESTS

Students must complete a 2-step TB test (unless they have documentation of a previously completed 2-step) the summer prior to beginning nursing courses. The one step TB test is required each year thereafter. Documentation of the results of the TB test must be current and on file with the Student Records Assistant in the School of Nursing, Prichard Hall 421. The documentation is part of the School of Nursing Health Form due July 15. Students who do not have the appropriate documentation will not be eligible to participate in nursing clinicals. An explanation of the 2 step TB test can be on the School of Nursing's website. See additional student responsibilities below.*

Measles and Mumps

All nursing students born after January 1, 1957 are required to provide proof of immunity to measles and rubella (WV BOR Policy No. 39). Documentation of immunity must be current and on file with the Student Records Assistant in the School of Nursing, Prichard Hall 421. Proof must be supplied upon enrollment in first nursing course. The documentation is part of the School of Nursing Health Form and due July 15. See additional student responsibilities below.*

Tetanus, Diphtheria, Pertussis, Varicella

All nursing students must provide proof of Tdap vaccination within the past 10 years or proof of immunity and 2 varicella vaccinations or proof of titers. Documentation of the results of immunity must be current and on file with the Student Records Assistant in the School of Nursing, Prichard Hall 421. Proof must be supplied upon enrollment in first nursing course. The documentation is part of the School of Nursing Health Form and due July 15. See additional student responsibilities below.*

**** It is the student's responsibility to maintain documentation of TB tests and required immunizations at all times. If the student attends clinical (BSN/MSN students) or engages in activities involving agencies other than the School of Nursing (RN to BSN students) without a current TB test and documentation of required immunizations all clinicals or activities will be given an unsatisfactory grade.***

AIDS/Hepatitis B

Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome (AIDS) is a blood-borne disease that affects the immune system. There is no immunization for AIDS, but the chance of transmission can be greatly reduced by education, careful practice, and utilization of universal precautions. The other known blood-borne disease with serious implication for health care workers is Hepatitis B Virus (HBV). Although HBV is more infectious than the Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV), HBV is preventable by immunization.

Recognizing individual rights, voluntary testing, and confidentiality of test results and health records, the Marshall University policy regarding HIV\HBV is as follows:

- Students at risk are required to present documentation of a completed series of HBV immunizations prior to any clinical experience, or a signed consent form indicating knowledge of

the risk and waiving immunization. Students are encouraged to complete the HBV immunizations.

- Students and supervising faculty members who have the potential for exposure to blood or other potentially infectious materials must comply with affiliated agency guidelines for preventive and post-exposure requirements.
- If an accidental exposure occurs, the individual should follow Center for Disease Control guidelines for occupational exposure.

This is a summary of the HIV/HBV policy for Marshall University. Complete copies of this policy are available in the office of the Student Records Assistant, Prichard Hall 421, College of Health Professions.

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