

The University of Pennsylvania has strict immunization requirements. All full-time students and all students living in campus housing must meet these requirements. **Please Note: Incoming students must complete the immunization requirements BEFORE arriving on campus. Vaccine documentation must include at least the month and year of administration.**

Hepatitis B

- 3 Dose Series (Doses 1 and 2 must be administered at least 4 weeks apart. Dose 3 should be at least 6 months after the 1st dose and 8 weeks after the 2nd dose.)

OR

- Positive titer (blood test report showing immunity)

Measles, Mumps, Rubella (MMR)

- 2 Dose Series (Dose 1 must be administered after the 1st birthday; Doses 1 and 2 must be administered at least 4 weeks apart)

OR

- Positive titer (blood test report showing immunity)

Tetanus-Diphtheria-Pertussis (Tdap - Adacel or Boostrix)

- One-time dose of Tdap (tetanus, diphtheria and acellular pertussis) required after age 10, with Tdap or Td boosters every 10 years thereafter

Please Note: A Td vaccine alone does not satisfy this requirement. A DTP primary series is not accepted.

Varicella (Chicken Pox)

- 2 Dose Series (Dose 1 must be administered after the 1st birthday; Doses 1 and 2 must be administered at least 4 weeks apart)

OR

- History of Varicella Illness **WITH Positive** titer (blood test report showing immunity)

Meningococcal A, C, Y, and W-135 (All Students Living On-Campus)

- 1 dose administered at age 16 or older of Meningococcal vaccine (A,C,Y,W-135)
 - Age 21 or younger: Submit proof of vaccination
 - Age 22 or older: Submit proof of vaccination **OR** Meningococcal Vaccine Waiver Form found on the SHS website

Influenza (Quadrivalent)

- **1 Dose Annually.** Under the Student Campus Compact students require a dose of the current season's Influenza vaccine. *****Attend the SHS Flu Clinic in October*****

COVID 19 (Sars-CoV-2)

- 1 or 2 dose series recommended. Depending on the manufacturer a booster dose may be required.

Tuberculosis (TB)

The University performs TB risk screening of all incoming students using an online TB Risk Screening Form located on the SHS Portal: <https://shs.upenn.edu>. This form will be reviewed to determine whether additional testing is needed. If TB testing is needed, you will be notified by the Immunization Compliance Office for further steps.

Exemptions from Requirements: Students may be exempted from the immunization requirements if there is a medical contraindication or if religious or philosophical belief prohibits immunizations. A signed statement indicating specific medical contraindication from a Medical Doctor, Osteopath, Nurse Practitioner or a Physician Assistant is required for medical exemption. Students with religious or philosophical beliefs that prohibit them from immunization must submit a signed Declaration of Religious or Philosophical Objection form. This form may be requested by contacting the Office of Immunization Compliance. If the exemption includes meningococcal vaccine, the Meningococcal Waiver must also be submitted. The Online Student Health History and TB Risk Screening Form still must be completed.

If you have questions, please contact us at (215) 746-3535 or email vpul-immun@pobox.upenn.edu. Please do not send immunization records through email as they will not be processed. Please see <https://shs.wellness.upenn.edu/imemfinfo> to learn how to submit your records online.

Be Well,

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