

Purpose: IMMUNIZATION POLICY

The Health and Safety Program of the San Juan Bautista School of Medicine describes this policy which reflects the commitment of the Institution to ensuring the health and safety of the students enrolled. As students they may be at risk of exposure to infectious diseases, some of which are preventable by vaccination.

Once admitted to the medical school, and before registration, the candidates are required to be immunized against Hepatitis B, Tetanus, Diphtheria, Mumps and Pertussis, Rubeola (Red Measles), Rubella (German Measles), Varicella and Meningococcal and present a proof of having had such immunizations to avoid been re-immunized.

The students must show proof of a non-reactive Tuberculin skin test or appropriate treatment if positive. Individuals with a history of reactive Tuberculin skin test must provide as part of the documents for admission, a medical certificate which includes a chest x-ray, indicating that is currently clear of Tuberculosis. Besides all the students admitted to the medical school are required to present a health certificate, which by law in Puerto Rico, includes VDRL test.

Students must present two documented doses of varicella vaccine and titer. Students with a history of varicella should have it documented, and those without such a history must have a titer for varicella antibody determined. Students with a negative titer will be required to undergo varicella immunization.

Immunizations**Hepatitis B**

This immunization consists of a series of three doses that should be completed prior to enrollment to insure safety at the time of patient contact. Students who are not in compliance may be barred from participation in clinical activities.

Rubella

Rubella immunity via history or documented vaccine or serologic titer is required prior to enrollment to insure safety at the time of patient contact.

Rubeola

Immunization is required for all students born after 1957. Students must provide physician

documentation of 1) the natural disease, 2) receipt of two doses of the vaccine, or 3) serologic evidence of immunity is required prior to enrollment to insure safety at the time of patient contact.

Mumps

Mumps immunization is required; a documented history must be prepared by the physician that vaccinates. Disease or documented evidence for immunity, is required prior to enrollment to insure safety at the time of patient contact.

Polio, Tetanus, Diphtheria, Pertussis

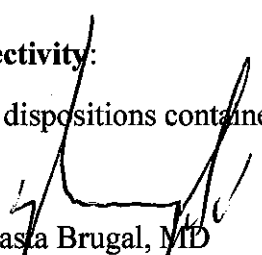
Immunization against polio, tetanus, diphtheria, pertussis is required prior to matriculation to insure safety at the time of patient contact.

Varicella

Students with a history of varicella should have it documented, and those without such a history must have a titer for varicella antibody determined. Students with a negative titer are recommended to undergo varicella immunization. This immunization is required prior to matriculation to insure safety at the time of patient contact.

Effectivity:

The dispositions contained in this Executive Order are effective immediately.



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