

HEALTH EDUCATION

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ACHE PT Immunization Requirements for Matriculation

The following is an expected list of immunization requirements for the 2024-2025 school year. Please know that these requirements are subject to change at any time. All immunization records are collected through a third-party vendor, not within the campus community. Notifications will be sent out in coming months with additional details; the below list should be used to get started, as some of the requirements may take several months to complete.

All immunization proof must include the date it was administered.

- Hepatitis B
 - Must provide proof of a completed Hep B series AND a <u>quantitative Hepatitis B surface antibody titer</u> showing results of >/=10mIU/mL
 - If titer results show lack of immunity, a new series will be required, followed up by another quantitative Hepatitis B surface antibody titer more than four weeks after the last vaccination in the series is given. Depending on the brand, this series can potentially take months to complete. We recommend receiving the Heplisav-B which is a two-vaccination series instead of three, taking 1 month, rather than 6 months, to complete. Heplisav-B vaccine is more immunogenic in most series than are Engerix-B or Recombivax-HB vaccines.
- TB Test
 - o Negative QuantiFERON -TB Gold OR T-spot test required
 - This will be an annual requirement
 - o Other tests, such as PPD, will not be accepted
 - o If a test comes back positive, please let the admissions office know immediately for next steps
- MMR
 - 2 doses of MMR vaccine OR 2 doses of Measles, 2 doses of Mumps and 1 dose of Rubella OR positive antibody titer (lab report required)
- Varicella
 - \circ 2 doses of the vaccine OR positive antibody titer (lab report required)
- Tdap
 - o 1 dose of adult Tdap AND documentation of either Tdap or Td received within the last 10 years
- Polio
 - Documentation of a completed primary series (3 vaccinations) or positive antibody titer (lab report required)
- Physical Exam
 - Must be the provided school form, completed by the provider, signed and dated

Additionally, we require proof of current health insurance, which will be asked for in the coming months, when additional information is sent. The flu vaccine is also required but should be received Fall 2025, after matriculation.

The following vaccine is strongly recommended but not required:

- COVID-19
 - Students are strongly advised to be up to date with the COVID-19 vaccine, including recommended boosters.
 The majority of sites (clinics, rotation assignments, practices, hospitals, health care facilities) with whom ACHE

partners for student experiential learning require COVID-19 vaccinations of all those working and learning in their sites. Students who choose to not receive vaccines may experience a delay in or halt of their education as a result. Students who choose to not receive vaccines may also be unable to participate in volunteer and community service events in facilities that require the vaccines.