



TJCTM

Diagnostic Medical Sonography Diagnostic Echocardiography

Immunizations

To enter and continue in the DMS/DE programs, the following immunizations and tests are required by clinical affiliates and recommended by the Center for Disease Control (CDC):

Hepatitis B

- Submit proof of Hepatitis B immunization **AND** positive titer.
- Make sure to get the correct Hep B titer drawn. It should be “Hepatitis B surface antibody” test (abbreviated as “anti-HBs” or “HBsAb”). Do not get “surface antigen” test or any other Hepatitis test.
- Clinical sites set a 5-year time limit on the Hep B titer, and they require that it remain current throughout the entire semester. If the titer expires before the end of the semester, you must turn in proof of new titer.
- If you recently finished taking the Hep B series, you must wait at least 2 months after the last shot before getting the titer drawn, otherwise it may be incorrect.
- If your Hep B titer is negative (meaning you are not immune), you must repeat the entire Hep B series. After that, you are done and you will not have to get another titer. It is recommended that you get the new “heplisav” type of Hep B immunization (two shots one month apart and you are done).

Varicella

- Either submit report of blood test that states whether you are immune to varicella (called “varicella IgG” titer); or submit proof of two varicella immunizations spaced at least 28 days apart.
- Childhood varicella immunizations are acceptable.
- If varicella titer is negative (meaning you are not immune), submit proof of two varicella immunizations spaced at least 28 days apart- **after the titer**. You will not have to repeat the titer after immunization.

MMR (Measles, mumps, rubella)

- Either submit report of blood test that states whether you are immune to measles (rubeola)/mumps/rubella (called “MMR IgG” titer); or submit proof of two MMR immunizations spaced at least 28 days apart.
- Childhood MMR immunizations are acceptable.
- If any component of the MMR titer is negative (meaning you are not immune), submit proof of two MMR immunizations spaced at least 28 days apart- **after the titer**. You will not have to repeat the titer after immunization.

TDaP (Tetanus, Diphtheria, and Pertussis)

- Submit proof of one TDaP immunization administered to you as an adult (on or after 18th birthday)
- Childhood TDaP immunization is NOT acceptable.
- If your adult TDaP is more than 10 years old, submit proof of a booster in addition to the proof of immunization.
- There is a 10-year time limit on TDaP or booster. It must be current throughout the entire semester; if it expires before the end of the semester, you must turn in proof of booster prior to beginning of semester.

Flu

- Flu season is from Fall through Spring.
- Submit proof of flu shot in fall semesters.
- All students will repeat the flu shot in fall of their second year.
- Flu documentation must show the name of the facility or healthcare provider where it was obtained. This is required by clinical affiliates.

Tuberculosis Screen

- Either submit report of a TB screen (PPD, quantiferon, or T-spot) stating negative results;
- Or if you have a history of positive TB screen, submit report of chest x-ray showing no evidence of active lung disease.
- TB screen is valid for one year. Chest x-ray is good for 2 years.
- **NOTE: CXR is ONLY for those with a history of positive TB screen or history of tuberculosis disease. ALL others must do a TB screen.**

Meningitis

- DO NOT turn in to DMS/DE department.
- Please see https://www.tjc.edu/info/20005/admissions/166/bacterial_meningitis_vaccination

Covid-19 Vaccination (NOT required by TJC)

- Mandatory by clinical affiliates
- It is up to the student to see if hospitals will accept an exemption. TJC DMS/DE dept. cannot guarantee placement without it.