

University of Northern Colorado
College of Osteopathic Medicine

Policy: Student Immunization

Responsible Party: Associate Dean, Clinical Education and GME

COCA Standard: 5.3-1

Review Frequency: Annually and as needed.

In order to protect their own health and the health of the patients that our students will care for during osteopathic medical school, UNC COM students are required to obtain the following immunizations and screening examinations:

- 1) Measles, mumps and rubella
- 2) Hepatitis B
- 3) Varicella: All students must provide written documentation completed series of vaccines or a positive laboratory titer prior to matriculation
- 4) Influenza: All students are expected to receive annual influenza vaccination and should provide evidence of this prior to October 1 of each calendar year.
- 5) COVID-19: All students are expected to receive annual COVID-19 vaccination and should provide evidence of this prior to October 1 of each calendar year.
- 6) Tetanus: Students must provide evidence of Tdap or TD vaccination within the past 10 years. All students are required to update this vaccination within one month of expiration of the 10 - year period.
- 7) Tuberculosis Screening: Students must provide evidence of TB screening by either a PPD or QuantiFERON test prior to matriculation and annually.

Vaccine Exemption

Any requests for vaccination exemption require submission of a vaccination exemption form to the Department of Clinical Education. Students who are provided an exemption from a required vaccine acknowledge that clinical sites have varying vaccination requirements and that they may request that the student comply with accommodations (such as mask-wearing), may limit the student's access to areas of the hospital/clinic or may refuse placement of a student who fails to meet the health care facilities vaccination requirements. UNC COM will seek alternate placement for clinical experiences should this arise but cannot guarantee that a student will be able to be successfully placed to complete all clinical rotations required for graduation.

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