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## ***RBHS Immunizations***

***Doctors Office Center***

***90 Bergen St.***

***Suite 1750***

***Newark, NJ 07103***

***(973) 972-8219***

***<http://njms.rutgers.edu/shs/immunizations>***



# *Immunizations*

- **Rutgers Health Sciences sets an immunization policy based on:**
  - CDC guidelines
  - NJ State law
- **SHS**
  - Tracks and administers immunizations
  - Works together with your school to ensure immunization compliance



## *Immunization categories...briefly*

- Category 1
  - Clinical students
  - Exposed to patients (and vice-versa)
- Category 4
  - Classroom
  - Exposed to classmates (and vice-versa)
- Web only
  - Immunizations recommended but not required

**Students must complete immunization requirements before enrollment.  
Students cannot wait for clinical rotations.**

# Where to get the packet

[njms.rutgers.edu/shs/immunizations](http://njms.rutgers.edu/shs/immunizations)

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Immunization requirements vary by program, school, and location. Please select your school below to access your immunization packet. Be advised that only your program's forms will be accepted.

| Rutgers Biomedical and Health Sciences  | Rutgers University   |
|---|--|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><a href="#">New Jersey Medical School</a></li> <li><a href="#">Robert Wood Johnson Medical School</a></li> <li><a href="#">School of Dental Medicine</a></li> <li><a href="#">School of Graduate Sciences</a></li> <li><a href="#">School of Health Professions</a></li> <li style="background-color: yellow;"><a href="#">School of Nursing</a></li> <li><a href="#">School of Public Health</a></li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><a href="#">Camden, New Brunswick, and Newark</a></li> <li><b>NON-CLINICAL STUDENTS ONLY</b></li> <li><a href="#">School of Pharmacy</a></li> </ul> |
| Immunization portal link:<br><a href="http://patient.rutms.medicalconnect.com">patient.rutms.medicalconnect.com</a>   | Immunization portal link:<br><a href="http://rutgers.medicalconnect.com">rutgers.medicalconnect.com</a>  |
| <a href="#">Click here for frequently asked questions.</a>  |  |
| <a href="#">Click here for instructions on printing your own immunization records.</a>  |  |
| The immunization packet must be completed even if you are requesting a specific exemption for medical or religious reasons.   |  |
| <a href="#">Click here for the exemption request form.</a>  |  |

Use your Rutgers netid and password to log in. You will not be able to log in until your Rutgers credentials and email account are activated.

**CONTACT INFORMATION**

Student Health Services Office

90 Bergen Street  
 Doctor Office Center (DOC), Suite 1750  
 Newark, NJ 07103  
 Phone: (973) 972-8219  
 Fax: (973) 972-0018

# Select your immunization category and packet

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## School of Nursing

All campuses and programs (except incoming 4-year generic undergraduate):

Please use the chart below to determine your category. Then take care to select the appropriate immunization packet. Please contact us if your program is not listed below.

[Category 1 \(Updated 1.30.19\)](#)

[Category 4 \(Updated 1.30.19\)](#)

[CLICK HERE TO BE ROUTED TO THE PATIENT PORTAL \(patient-rbts.medicalconnect.com\) to submit your information.](#)  
Use your Rutgers NETID and password to log in. You will not be able to log in until your Rutgers credentials and email account are activated.

**Please note the following program has separate a packet:**

- Incoming 4-year Generic Undergraduate Nursing - Newark and New Brunswick (Updated 1.30.19)

Students completing this packet should use the following link to submit their immunizations:

[CLICK HERE TO BE ROUTED TO THE IMMUNIZATION PORTAL \(rutgers.medicalconnect.com\) to submit your information.](#)  
Use your Rutgers NETID and password to log in. You will not be able to log in until your Rutgers credentials and email account are activated.

[Clinical course packet \(continuing education programs only\)](#)

| Program name                        | Category |
|-------------------------------------|----------|
| Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BS) |          |
| Generic Baccalaureate               | 1        |
| Blackwood                           | 1        |

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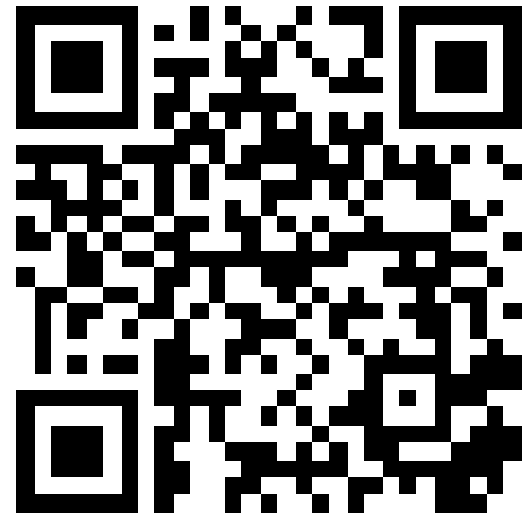
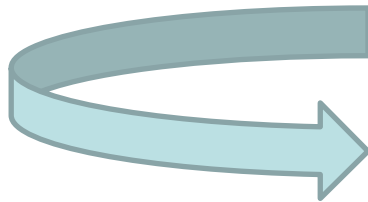
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## *Immunization packet*

- Fill out the packet
- Give to your healthcare provider to complete
- **Upload with supporting documentation (labs, imaging) onto the portal at**  
<https://patient-rbhs.medicatconnect.com/>
- Follow the directions on the portal

**Scan me**



# Submitting immunization information

- Secure portal for submitting information:
  - <https://patient-rbhs.medicatconnect.com/>

- Items that need to be submitted


- **Forms completed by a healthcare provider**

- Immunization Form
- Additional immunization documentation (lab reports, etc.)

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Upload to  
portal

- **Mandatory Health Form completed by student online**

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Fill out  
on portal

- **Immunization dates entered by student**

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Enter dates  
on portal

**Review and verification takes up to 3 business days after we receive the documents.**



# *Notifications*

- We send emails and texts every time immunization records are updated
- Emails are sent to Rutgers email accounts
- Texts are sent to the mobile on file
- Look out for messages from [noreply@medicat.com](mailto:noreply@medicat.com)
- We may occasionally send a personalized secure message
  - You'll be notified by email that you have a secure message on the portal
  - Click on the emailed link to be routed to the secure portal
  - Click on the messages tab to read your message



# ***Verified Compliance means that...***

- All **baseline** immunization requirements have been met
- **Additional annual requirements:**
  - **Flu vaccines**
    - required in the fall for Category 1 students
    - Students with severe egg allergies may receive the egg-free vaccination
  - **Tuberculosis screening**
    - At matriculation, category 1 students must provide a 2-step PPD or TB blood test
    - Cat 1 students who had a positive tuberculosis test will need to complete a symptom questionnaire on the portal annually
    - Category 4 students are only required to provide a single step PPD if at higher risk for TB (as defined by the CDC).

**Please upload that documentation onto the portal every year.**

## ***Non-compliance can mean that...***

- A required form is missing
- An immunization or titer is missing
- An incorrect lab test is provided
- Documentation is incomplete

*If you have received an email of non-compliance and are unclear about the reason, send us a secure message on the [portal](#).*



## ***COVID-19 Testing for Category 1 Students***

- For students who are required to submit COVID-19 PCR tests, please upload them to the Patient Portal as a “COVID-19 Test Result” in the dropdown.
- For questions on frequency of testing or other specific site questions, please contact the **School of Nursing Clinical Clearance team** at [clinicalclearance@sn.rutgers.edu](mailto:clinicalclearance@sn.rutgers.edu).





## ***Common Questions***

- “I am not immune to Hepatis B and my doctor gave me a booster already. Do I need to do anything else?”
  - Ensure you have provided the following **required** documents:
    - Quantitative HepB surface antibody titer
    - HepB surface antigen
    - Documented proof of the first dose of the HepB series
- “I was born in another country and received the BCG vaccine. I always test positive. Do I need to provide a PPD or TB blood test?”
  - Students with a history of BCG vaccination are not exempt from the TB testing requirement.
  - Submit documented proof of the positive PPD or TB blood test
  - Chest x-ray OR TB blood test report from the last 6 months

# ***GOOD LUCK WITH YOUR PROGRAM!***

## Contact the Immunization Team

Send a secure message via the [online portal](#).

Want to receive text alerts?  
Please opt-in on the portal.

The screenshot displays the Rutgers Student Health Services online portal. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for Home, Immunizations, Mandatory Health Form/Questionnaires, Messages (with a notification icon), and Upload. Below the navigation bar is a warning box: "Use Secure messaging to communicate with your health care provider. Secure messages are more secure than email so your confidentiality is always protected. Please do not use secure messaging for urgent matters or appointment requests. Call the office at 673-672-8219 instead." Below the warning box is a list of messages in an inbox view. The messages are as follows:

| From  | Date       |
|---|------------|
| Immunization Team<br>Verified Compliant                   | 10/25/2019 |
| PROVIDER PROVIDER<br>Reminder                             | 1/5/2018   |
| Christopher Auger ImmSpec1st<br>Immunizations Verified    | 12/14/2017 |
| Noa'a Shimoni MD<br>PPD Symptom Questionnaire - mandatory | 4/8/2015   |
| Noa'a Shimoni MD<br>Your Imm record explanation           | 9/28/2014  |
| Not Compliant with Immunization Requirements              | 9/29/2014  |

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