Immunizations

• Rutgers Health Sciences sets an immunization policy based on:
  • CDC guidelines
  • NJ State law

• SHS
  • Tracks 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
Select your immunization category and packet

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-info.med.unenhanced.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.med.unenhanced.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)

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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
Submitting immunization information

- Secure portal for submitting information:
  - [https://patient-rbhs.medicatconnect.com/](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.)
  - Mandatory Health Form completed by student online
  - Immunization dates entered by student

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.

• 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
  - **Annual Physicals for clinical students**
  - **Tuberculosis screening**
    - At matriculation, category 1 students must provide a 2-step PPD or TB blood test **within 6 months of their start date**
    - History of a positive test required documentation:
      - Date (MM/DD/YY) of positive PPD or attach a copy of positive TB blood test report
      - Chest x-ray report **within 6 months of your start date**
      - If you were **not** treated for LTBI, you are required to complete an annual TB symptom questionnaire on the health portal.
      - If you **were** treated for LTBI, please ensure it is stated on the immunization forms by your physician.

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 Information

• Vaccines
  – Starting Fall 2021, all students on campus are required to submit documentation of COVID-19 vaccination(s). Covid booster vaccine is mandatory requirement.
  – Link: patient-rbhs.medicatconnect.com

• PCR Testing
  – For students who are required to submit COVID-19 PCR tests, please upload them to the COVID-19 portal.
  – Link: https://rtr.ipo.rutgers.edu/questionnaire/
  – 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.
COVID-19 Vaccines at Rutgers

- COVID-19 vaccination is required
- All FDA EUA approved vaccines are accepted
- Vaccines are free and widely available through Rutgers
- Sign up for an appointment at [https://rtr.ipo.rutgers.edu/vaccines/](https://rtr.ipo.rutgers.edu/vaccines/)
- Vaccination site at Stonsby/Woodward Hall Rutgers Newark
  91 Bleeker St
- Call to make an appointment
  - R vaccine clinic: 848-445-3033
  - UH ACC building: 973-972-8906
Common Questions

• **When is the deadline?**
  – Deadlines are set by your program and are **hard deadlines** to ensure you are prepared to begin clinical rotations.
  – Your forms are due no later than 2 weeks prior to enrolling (e.g. June 1 enrollment, forms due May 18)

• **After I submit, how long does it take for me to be compliant?**
  – Assuming you submitted the appropriate paperwork, it takes 3 – 5 business days after receiving your documents for our team to review it and verify your status.
  – The School of Nursing will receive a report from us to see your status has changed. This report is sent weekly.
Please opt into text messages

• Why?
  – So, we can communicate with you about compliance or remind you a vaccine dose is due shortly

• How?
  – Login to the Patient Portal http://patient-rbhs.medicatconnect.com
  – Select your name on the top right, edit profile, check off messages, make sure your correct cell phone is listed
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.
Thank you!

Find us on the web:

njms.rutgers.edu/shs