HEALTH PROFESSIONS
Required Immunizations

All students enrolled in a Health Professions Program at Howard College are required to have the following immunizations and clearances.

**Hepatitis B**
Three doses OR a positive titer. *NOTE: The student must have received the first two doses of the Hepatitis B series by the June 1 deadline.*

**Influenza**
One dose required prior to clinical rotations.

**Measles (MMR)**
Two doses OR a positive titer.

**Tetanus, Diphtheria, Pertussis (Tdap)**
One dose required within the last 10 years

**Tuberculosis Clearance**
Annually by PPD injection OR chest x-ray within the last three years with the approval of a physician. This is the only immunization that should be left until the summer, after the student has been accepted to a program.

**Varicella**
Two doses OR a positive titer

**Polio (OPV/IPV)**
Recommended, not required.

*NOTE: Some clinical sites may require proof of polio or Varicella.*

If a student has no proof of any immunizations, it will take him/her 6 months to complete the above required immunizations.

If a student has documentation of childhood immunizations but has not completed the Hepatitis B series, it would take him/her 4-6 months to complete the required immunizations (depending on the clinic used).

It is the student’s responsibility to obtain and provide proof of the required immunizations and clearances. Students must complete the Record of Required Immunizations form and submit with the Student Admission Packet. Howard College will not notify students of deadlines and schedules. Proof of the first two Hepatitis B immunizations (or titer), MMR, TD and Varicella must be provided by June 1 in order to be considered for admission into any Health Professions Program.

**For EMT students**, proof of required immunizations must be made before registration in any class will be permitted. Students should start the process early in order to meet the deadline requirements.

Students should retain a copy of their immunization health records for themselves.

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