



Student Health & Counseling Center U.S. and Canadian Health and Immunization Requirements 2020-2021

During this time of global health crisis, Student Health and Counseling is sensitive to the difficulty students may have in meeting the full Health and Immunization Requirement. With this in mind, the requirement has been modified to remove any need to contact your healthcare provider for information during the summer months. *When the healthcare system is no longer taxed by the pandemic, we will follow up with students who are missing official documentation of required immunizations.*

Please Complete the Following by July 1, 2020:

- 1. Health History and Tuberculosis Screening:** Please complete the Health History and Tuberculosis Screen by July 1, neither item will require contact with a health care provider. This information provides Student Health and Counseling with information about your health status, past medical history, and enables us to better meet your health care needs while you are a student. Both items are accessed from the [Student Account Checklist](#), through the Online Student Health Portal (OSHP). All medical information is confidential and will only be shared after you have given your authorization for us to do so. The Health History *should be completed by you, the student, with help from a parent if necessary.* It does not need to be reviewed by your healthcare provider.
- 2. Immunization History:** Students are asked to submit any official record of immunization that they have access to. This may be a document printed from the online health chart through your provider, your state health department's immunization program, or a document obtained from your school. *Please do not contact your healthcare provider for an immunization record.* Immunization records should be uploaded through the OSHP, directions for uploading are on the [Student Account Checklist](#). **If you are unable to locate documentation of immunizations, you will be asked to repeat the vaccines in question or confirm immunity through a blood test at a later date.*

Required Immunizations for Dordt University Students

- **Measles, Mumps and Rubella (MMR)** – Two doses are required. The first dose must be given *after* the first birthday and a second dose *no sooner* than 4 weeks *after* the first dose.
- **Diphtheria, Pertussis and Tetanus (DPT)** – A primary series of four doses should have been completed by the fourth birthday.
- **Tdap (Tetanus, Diphtheria, and Acellular Pertussis)** – A Tdap booster at age 11 or after is required. Tdap can be administered regardless of interval since the last tetanus or diphtheria-toxoid containing vaccine.
- **MenACWY (Meningococcal Quadrivalent Vaccine)** – Students aged 21 years or younger must have documentation of receiving a dose of meningococcal quadrivalent vaccine at age 16 or after. If the first dose was administered before the 16th birthday, a booster dose should be administered before enrollment in college. The minimum interval between doses of the meningococcal conjugate is 8 weeks. More information about the meningitis vaccine and the illness it prevents is available at http://www.nmaus.org/pdf/brochures/NMA%20Brochure_150%20DPI.pdf * **Men B is not required but it is strongly recommended.**

**Canadian students, please note that this requirement may be different than your provincial requirement, Men C is not a substitute for this vaccine.*

More information about immunizations and the diseases they prevent is available at:

10 Reasons to get Vaccinated: <https://www.nfid.org/immunization/10-reasons-to-get-vaccinated/>

Why Immunize: <https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/vac-gen/why.htm>

Importance of Vaccines: <https://www.immunize.org/importance-of-vaccines/>

