

IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS FOR POST-SECONDARY ADMISSION

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Meningococcal Disease:

New York State Public Health Law 2167 requires all post-secondary institutions to provide information on meningitis and the meningitis vaccine to all students registering for 6 credits or more (or its equivalent). In addition, each institution is required to maintain a record of the following for such student:

- A response to receipt of meningococcal meningitis disease and vaccine information signed by the student or student's parent/ guardian.
- A certification of meningococcal meningitis immunization given at age 16 years or older of the MCV4 vaccine.
OR
- An acknowledgement of meningococcal meningitis risks and refusal of meningococcal meningitis immunization signed by the student or student's parent or guardian.

Please understand that meningitis vaccination is not required, students must declare their meningitis vaccination status utilizing the *Immunization Record form* located on the Hostos Community College website.

How do I get more information about meningococcal disease and vaccination?

Contact your primary care provider or ***Student Health Services at 718-518-6542*** or the ***Wellness Office at 718-518-4483***. Additional information is also available on the following websites:

- www.health.state.ny.us (New York State Department of Health)
- <http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/vpd-vac/> (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention)
- www.acha.org (American College Health Association)

Information to complete Immunization Requirements

Measles, Mumps, Rubella:

New York State Public Health Law 2165 requires all students entering a post-secondary institution to provide their health services center with proof of immunity to measles, mumps and rubella. This law applies to students born on or after January 1, 1957, who are registered for 6 or more credits (or its equivalent) at a CUNY campus.

ACCEPTABLE PROOF OF IMMUNITY MAY INCLUDE:

1. Immunization cards from childhood (yellow card), signed and stamped.
2. Immunization records from college, high school or other schools you attended.
3. Signed and stamped immunization record from your health care provider or clinic. Note: Immunization records obtained from a public health department immunization information system. Students born after 1994 who were raised in New York City can check the Citywide Immunization Registry for their records by calling 311.
4. Copy of blood test lab report, (also known as titer or serology), showing immunity to measles, mumps and rubella.
5. Proof of honorable discharge from the armed services within 10 years from the date of application will enable the student to attend school pending actual receipt of the immunization records from the armed services.

These laws apply to students taking six credits (or its equivalent) or more regardless of degree or non-degree status.

If you have further questions please contact Ursula Sanders, Wellness Specialist at (718)518-4483, immunization@hostos.cuny.edu or come to the Wellness Office at D-101E.