Aloha to our New Students!

We welcome you to UH Hilo and our Student Medical Services (SMS) where you can come for your health needs. Located in the Campus Center, Room 212, we have professional healthcare providers who offer immunizations, medical, and family planning care. Visit our website at http://www.hilo.hawaii.edu/studentaffairs/health/ to learn more about us and to download forms.

HEALTH CLEARANCE REQUIREMENTS

To prevent the spread of disease, the State of Hawai‘i has health requirements for entrance to post-secondary educational institutions. Please read and follow these directions carefully. You may not register for classes until you have fulfilled the two requirements. Mail or fax the Mandatory Health Requirements form before your registration date.

I. TUBERCULOSIS CLEARANCE

U.S. Students:

A tuberculosis risk assessment clearance is needed for entrance to post-secondary educational institutions and a TB clearance is acceptable if completed aged 16 or over. Quantiferon tests conducted in the U.S. are accepted. Please use attached mandatory health clearance forms. Forms must be signed by a U.S. licensed healthcare provider (M.D., D.O., A.P.R.N., or P.A.)

International Students including students from the Republic of Marshall Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, and the Republic of Palau:

All international students from the high-risk country list must have a tuberculin skin test (PPD/Mantoux) performed in the U.S. or its territories by a U.S. licensed healthcare provider (M.D., D.O., A.P.R.N., or P.A.) within one year prior to enrollment. If the TB test is given in a foreign country, the healthcare provider must document their license number and U.S. State from which it is issued. Upon arrival on campus, TB tests may be taken at the Student Medical Services. A follow-up chest x-ray may be required. The TB requirement must be met before attending classes.

All international students from countries not on the high-risk list need a tuberculosis risk assessment done in the US. You may get this at UH Hilo Student Medical Services.

Returning/Transferring Students from a post-secondary Hawai‘i school:

Students who are re-enrolling at UH Hilo after an absence of 1 year or more or transferring from another post-secondary school in Hawai‘i, may be cleared on the basis of their original certificate. Submit your original TB and MMR record or check with Student Medical Services if you have already submitted it. Those with a history of a positive TB test and a negative chest x-ray must complete the Tuberculosis Symptom Screening Form. This form can be found on our website in the sidebar under “Forms”.

II. MEASLES, MUMPS, and RUBELLA IMMUNIZATIONS

You must provide documentation of two doses of live measles-containing vaccine, with at least one being an MMR is required, of students born after 1956. The first dose must have been given on or after 12 months-of-age and after January 1, 1968. Dose 2 must have been given at least a month after the first dose.

Although not required for enrollment, it is highly recommended that students receive the following immunizations:

1) Hepatitis A and B
2) Tetanus/Diphtheria/Pertussis
3) Polio
4) Meningococcal (especially for students living in residence halls since there is an increased risk of this highly contagious disease in this campus population)

Have your healthcare provider fill out and sign the Mandatory Health Requirements form that is included in this packet or you may attach a copy of your official immunization record to that form. The record must have complete dates of the immunizations and be signed or stamped by a M.D., D.O., A.P.R.N., P.A. or clinic.

The health information is confidential and will be used to help you should you need our clinic services. Please feel free to contact us with any questions or concerns by calling 808-932-7369.

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