

Clinical Education Site Immunization/Vaccination, and Physical Examination Requirements

Students pursuing or enrolled in the athletic training (ATHTR) major will complete the majority of clinical education experiences in the Department of Intercollegiate Athletics athletic training facilities at University Park Campus, and the Penn State Hershey Medical Group at the University Park Regional Campus. As health care operations, these units have specific immunization/vaccination requirements instituted to safeguard the wellbeing of patients, and employees as well as medical, and allied health care students. As an allied health care professional preparation program, students will be expected to comply with these associated immunization/vaccination standards as a means to be able to satisfy the related clinical education experiences necessary to fulfill degree requirements. Information on the specific vaccines/immunizations required are stated in the Infectious Disease Summary Form found at <http://hhd.psu.edu/kines/clinical-education>.

As part of these requirements, students must also receive an annual flu vaccine in October. To help facilitate this practice, the Department of Intercollegiate Athletics may provide students with the voluntary opportunity to receive the flu vaccine in the campus athletic training facilities (*fees may apply, but may be billed to a student's health insurance provider*). In the event of allergies associated with the flu vaccine, the Department of Intercollegiate Athletics will make reasonable efforts to offer suitable alternatives for related students. If students elect not to receive the flu vaccine, they will be expected to wear a mask, and follow related communicated precautionary measures to all clinical education activities at associated sites.

A physical examination conducted by a physician, or suitable health care provider (e.g. PA, CRNP) is also required of students.

Verification of all required immunizations/vaccinations, and titers as well as a physical examination must be submitted to the Clinical Education Coordinator, or designated personnel on the **first day of the fall semester** upon enrolling in KINES 231 'Athletic Training Clinical Practice I'. Hard copies of the following completed documents (Infectious Disease Summary, Physical Examination Form, Bloodborne Pathogens and Procedures for Determining Student Health Form) must be **hand delivered** to:

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Students who have not met these immunization/vaccination, and physical examination requirements by the first day of fall semester will most likely not be able to meet the criteria to complete a degree in this program.

Questions pertaining to participating clinical education site immunization/vaccination, and physical examination requirements are to be directly addressed to Cyndi Meyers (Administrative Support Assistant) at cab408@psu.edu or 814-863-0442, or John Vairo (Program Director | Clinical Education Coordinator) at glv103@psu.edu or 814-865-2725.