Student Vaccinations and Health Screenings Policy

Langston University Health Center

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Summary

The following policy describes current health vaccination and screening requirements for new students enrolling at Langston University. This policy will serve as an update to previous policies.

Policy

POLICY STATEMENT

All new students attending Langston University are required to provide proof of immunization for certain diseases. Students, with the exception of athletes, are not required to have a medical physical in order to be enrolled. The Langston Health Center will provide a physical, at no additional charge, to any enrolling student if requested by the student.

Students who meet defined criteria (see below) will be required to have Tuberculosis screening.

Students who are living in campus housing are required to have the meningococcal vaccination unless an exemption has been filed.

BACKGROUND

Students were previously required to present for a medical physical. At this time, medical physicals will be elective and not a mandatory requirement for a student’s enrollment at Langston University. The current Langston University Policy is consistent with the policies of its partner universities within the OSU/A&M system.

CURRENT REQUIREMENTS

Immunizations Required by State Law

a. Meningitis (All new students living in student housing)
b. Measles, Mumps, Rubella, TWO DOSES
c. Hepatitis B
Highly Recommended (non-mandated) Immunizations:
   a. Hepatitis A
   b. Tetanus-Diptheria
   c. Polio

Tuberculosis Screening: Tuberculosis screening is only required for certain students who meet the criteria described below:

   a. Students currently holding a visa from the U.S. Immigration Service
   b. A U.S. student and citizen who has resided outside the U.S. for >8 weeks continuously
   c. Students with a health/medical condition that suppresses the immune system
   d. Students with known exposure to someone with active Tuberculosis disease

*If none of the above apply to a new student, than Tuberculosis screening is not mandated; however, it is still highly recommended.*

EXEMPTIONS
Medical, religious and moral exemptions for immunizations are allowed by law and such requests must be made in writing using the Langston University exemption form which is located on the Langston University website. The forms can also be found at the Langston University Health Center located on the first floor of the University Women building.

PROCEDURES
Students can submit vaccination records to the admissions office or directly to the Student Health Center (Langston University Health Center, P.O. Box 1500, Langston, OK 73050; fax: 405-466-3402). Students who desire to file an exemption for any of the vaccinations can present the signed exemption forms to the University Health Center.

Contact Information
For additional information on the Langston University policy regarding immunizations, you can contact the Langston University Health Center at 405-466-3335.