

IMMUNIZATIONS

Students will be required to adhere to federally recommended standard precautions to protect themselves and to prevent the spread of disease in clinical areas. Vaccinations are required to participate in all clinical areas. It is the responsibility of each student to provide proof (either by public health vaccination record or by signature of health care provider administering vaccinations or titers) to the Bridgerland PN Department before entering any clinical facility in a student capacity. Please provide copies of proof of immunizations one week prior to your first clinical. This documentation will be placed in your permanent student file.

Required immunizations include the following:

1. Tdap: current immunization for Tetanus, diphtheria, and acellular pertussis (Tdap) must be received and documentation submitted.
2. Tuberculosis Screening: a 2-step TB process, OR one (1) QuantiFERON Gold blood test, OR one (1) T-SPOT blood test, with a negative result, is needed and must be completed prior to the first clinical shift.
3. Hepatitis B: complete the three-vaccine series. Once the series is complete, students will need to submit proof of a reactive quantitative Hepatitis B Antibody (Ab) titer. If a student is in the process of completing their initial series, have the titer drawn 30-45 days after the last immunization. Gray-zone or non-reactive titer results indicate a need for the student to repeat the hepatitis series.
4. Measles (Rubeola), Mumps, Rubella: two immunizations administered on or after the first birthday and at least 30 days apart.
5. Varicella (Chicken Pox): documentation of two immunizations administered on or after the first birthday and at least 30 days apart; or lab report of positive immune serum antibody titer.
6. Influenza: annual influenza immunization is required. Documentation of influenza vaccination must be submitted. Bear River Health Department offers this vaccination for a nominal fee.

The PN Program supports recommendations from the Utah Department of Health & Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and encourages that all students receive the following immunizations: HPV, Meningococcal, Hepatitis A, and/or Polio. Please consult your personal physician to make an informed decision.