Required Immunizations Fall 2012 and Spring 2013

As a condition of enrollment, all full-time students and all students living in campus housing are subject to these requirements. Please note: Students in health professional programs may have additional immunization requirements. Please check with your program administration.

Failure to meet the requirements will result in denial of student registration privileges.

1. Hepatitis B:
   - Three doses are required. Doses one and two given four weeks apart are required for all matriculating students. All students will be required to have all three doses of the hepatitis B vaccine by their second semester. The third dose should be at least 4 to 6 months after second dose. OR
   - Blood test showing immunity

2. Measles, Mumps, Rubella (MMR):
   - Two doses are required: Dose one of MMR must be administered after the first birthday, and the second given a minimum of four weeks later OR
   - Blood test showing immunity OR
   - Disease history for measles or mumps confirmed by doctor’s record only; history of rubella is not accepted.

3. Varicella (Chicken Pox):
   - Two doses of chicken pox vaccine are required at least one month apart OR
   - Blood test verifying immunity OR
   - History of disease.

4. Tetanus-Diphtheria-Pertussis:
   - Incoming students must have proof of Tdap (Tetanus Toxoid, Reduced Diphtheria Toxoid and Acellular Pertussis Vaccine) immunization. Td (Tetanus- Diphtheria) does not satisfy requirement. There is no minimum interval required between Tdap and a previous Td or other tetanus or diphtheria-containing vaccine.

5. Meningococcal:
   - All incoming students living in campus housing and who are age 21 or younger must submit proof of one dose of meningococcal conjugate vaccine (MCV4, such as Menactra or Menveo)* since age 16.
   - Incoming students living on campus who are over age 21 may either submit proof of vaccination since age 16 or submit the Meningococcal Vaccine Waiver. Meningococcal conjugate vaccine is preferred although meningococcal polysaccharide vaccine (MPSV4, such as Menomune) is acceptable. At minimum, serogroups A, C, Y, and W-135 must be covered.

6. Tuberculosis
   - The University performs targeted TB testing. All students must complete the online TB Risk Screening form.
   - If TB testing is indicated by this screening tool you will be notified by the Immunization Compliance Office. Students may satisfy the TB testing requirement in one of 2 ways:
     1) Submit a copy of the negative IGRA blood test for TB infection, such as Quantiferon-Gold or TSpotTB, within 12 months of entrance to Penn or
     2) Make an appointment with the immunization nurse at Student Health Service (SHS) to have a TB skin test (PPD) or IGRA blood test for TB infection.
   - Please note: SHS DOES NOT ACCEPT TB SKIN TEST (PPD) RESULTS PLACED BY PROVIDERS OUTSIDE OF SHS. Students with documented TB history (positive test result, chest x-ray report, treatment, etc) can make an appointment with a nurse for review.