

**Policy Name:** Clinical Compliance Requirements  
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## I. Policy

It is the policy of Bon Secours St. Mary's Hospital School of Medical Imaging (SOMI) to outline the vaccination requirements for all students for admission to and continuance in the program.

## II. Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to ensure that students meet the clinical compliance requirements of the clinical agencies for clinical courses to ensure student and patient safety.

## III. Scope

This policy applies to all SOMI students.

## IV. Definitions

None

## V. Policy Details

This policy outlines the vaccination compliance requirements required upon acceptance and upon entry to the School in order for students to participate in clinical experience. Some requirements require annual/biennial updates. Students must submit all documentation requirements in a timely manner as specified by the School. The information provided to the School may be shared with the clinical agencies in which the student has an assigned clinical experience.

The following immunizations are required:

- Tetanus/Diphtheria/Pertussis (Tdap): Upon Entry: Tdap vaccine within the past 10 years.
- Measles, Mumps, Rubella (MMR): Upon Entry: 2 doses of vaccine or titer indicating immunity.
- Varicella: Upon Entry: 2 doses of vaccine or titer indicating immunity.
- Hepatitis B: Upon Entry
  - If the Hepatitis B series has been completed prior to admission, a titer must be drawn to show proof of immunity.

- If the student has proof of immunization and a positive titer, the requirement is satisfied.
- If the student has proof of immunization and a negative titer, the student will be required to obtain a Hepatitis B booster immunization and provide documentation of the booster.
- If the student has never completed the 3-dose series of the Hepatitis B vaccine, documentation of the progress obtaining the 3-dose series and documentation of a post-vaccination titer 1-2 months following the last immunization is required.
- If the post vaccination series titer indicates immunity (positive), the requirement is satisfied.
- If the post vaccination series titer does not indicate immunity (negative), the student will be required to obtain a Hepatitis B booster vaccination and provide documentation of the booster.
- Tuberculosis (TB) Screening: Upon Entry and annually.  
In accordance with the CDC guidelines and the VDH guidelines, newly admitted students must be tested for TB. Use of an IGRA (Interferon Gamma Release Assay) blood test for this purpose is required (PPD skin tests are **not** acceptable). The two FDA-approved IGRAs available for use in the United States are QuantiFERON Gold IN-Tube and T-SPOT-TB.
- Flu Vaccine: Annually.  
All students must receive a flu vaccine annually. Flu shots are offered to students at no charge through Bon Secours Mercy Health during September and October.
- COVID -19 Vaccine: Upon Entry and as indicated based on latest BSMH guidance.

**Sanctions for noncompliance:**

Students are required to upload all mandatory documentation of clinical compliance into CastleBranch by the date provided by School officials. If students are not in compliance with this requirement by the deadline, disciplinary action up to and including program dismissal may result.

**VI. Attachments**

N/A

**VII. Related Policies**

None

**VIII. Disclaimers**

Nothing in this policy creates a contractual relationship between Bon Secours St. Mary's Hospital School of Medical Imaging (SOMI) and any party. SOMI, in its sole discretions, reserves the right to amend, terminate or discontinue this policy at any time, with or without advance notice.

**IX. Version Control**

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