

**Wright State University – Miami Valley
College of Nursing and Health
HEALTH AND INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS**

This packet of information has been compiled to facilitate your entry into clinical practice in the Wright State University – Miami Valley College of Nursing and Health. The following are requirements that need to be completed before you are eligible to enter a clinical setting:

- 1) Completed Health Assessment Report including all required lab work and immunizations
- 2) Evidence of Personal Health Insurance
- 3) Current Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) Certification – see specific requirements
- 4) FBI & OHIO BCI&I background checks sent directly to the College of Nursing (if not previously submitted)
- 5) For RNs, All of the above plus evidence of current unencumbered Ohio Nursing License

LIABILITY INSURANCE

Students are covered by a blanket liability insurance policy through the College of Nursing. This covers you in your role as a nursing student ONLY. Students who are nurses should carry their own personal liability insurance policy covering them in their professional role.

MAINTENANCE OF HEALTH RECORDS

Information on each nursing student is maintained in an orderly fashion for the College of Nursing and Health by Immunitrax. This information is confidential and can be released only at the request of the particular student, who signs a written release form.

The hospitals with which Wright State University College of Nursing & Health is affiliated require that we maintain an accurate accounting of which students might be negligent in carrying out the absolute requirements for participation in clinical activities at the various hospitals. **If a student is negligent in carrying out these requirements, he/she will be prevented from participating in clinical activities at any of our affiliated hospitals. All health requirement information is to be submitted electronically per Immunitrax instructions.**

Please read carefully and follow the procedures outlined below:

1. **HEALTH ASSESSMENT REPORT:** Because of the legal contracts that the College of Nursing & Health and Wright State University must maintain with the clinical agencies, these tests must be current for the semester in which you are enrolled in a clinical course. Updates must be submitted prior to the semester in which these tests expire. **They are not optional for nursing students.** When scheduling your appointment, please allow enough time so that your physician can do the required lab tests and receive the results before filling out your health form. Please check your form to see that all dates and results of your lab tests are completed.
2. **It is extremely important that immunization history with dates as well as the history of current screening for tuberculosis be completed.** Each history will be reviewed by Immunitrax, and when indicated, further recommendations may be made by the College of Nursing for follow-up testing or information. Section I needs to be completed by the student, Sections II and III by a physician or nurse practitioner.

STATE OF OHIO REQUIREMENTS - MANDATORY

Annual Screening for Tuberculosis (beginning students must have one of the following)

1. Two-step Mantoux skin test (Two skin tests, one week apart.) Must be within the past year. Subsequent annual one-step tb tests.
2. Previous two-step Mantoux followed by consecutive annual negative one-step Mantoux.
3. Three consecutive one-step Mantoux, including the current year.
4. Chest x-ray only if Mantoux is positive, followed by annual TB symptom review by health care provider.
5. QuantiFERON Gold TB blood test is sometimes used in place of chest xray after a positive skin screen. Negative quantiFERON must be followed with annual TB symptom review by health care provider.

An **annual screen** must be repeated each year by the anniversary date of the previous screen. It is the responsibility of each individual student to make certain that the above noted tuberculosis screening is done each year during nursing school. **Failure to do so could prevent the student from participating in certain courses in nursing school.**

OTHER REQUIREMENTS

(Students born before 1957 are exempt from the rubella and rubeola requirements.)

Evidence of Immunity to Rubella (beginning students must have one of the following)

- Laboratory evidence of significant antibody titer (greater than 1:0) to rubella,
- Written evidence of having received rubella vaccine, or MMR.

Rubeola (beginning students must have one of the following)

- Laboratory evidence of rubeola immunity (titer greater than 1:8)
- Written evidence of 2 doses of live attenuated rubeola vaccine or **2 doses** of MMR.

OTHER IMMUNIZATIONS

Those with significant medical problems (e.g. immunocompromised), or who have received gamma globulin, or females with any possibility of pregnancy, should consult personal physician before receiving any immunization.

Tetanus, Diphtheria and Pertussis must be within ten years. (We cannot accept Td; it must be Tdap.)

Chicken Pox (History of disease is not accepted.) Beginning students must have either:

- Documentation of 2 doses of varicella vaccine, one month apart.
- Varicella Zoster Antibody – IgG titer must be administered. If the titer is negative, varicella vaccine (2 doses, one month apart) must be administered immediately.

Hepatitis B Vaccine: This vaccine is required for health care workers who are exposed to blood or blood products and those who handle needles or instruments that could have been contaminated with a patient's blood or serum. This vaccine has proved to be safe and effective and is required for nursing students. The 3 dose Hepatitis B series need to be started immediately. It takes approximately 6 months to complete the series; then the titer is required:

Hepatitis B Titer: Hepatitis B surface antibody qualitative titer must be administered in order to verify your immunity to Hepatitis B. If the titer is negative, the Hepatitis B series and titer must be repeated. The titer should be administered 30-90 days after the last Hepatitis B shot is received.

Flu Shot/Flu Mist: Required annually prior to Fall semester. Students beginning in Spring semester must have documentation of flu shot or mist for the current flu season by December 15.

3. **PERSONAL HEALTH INSURANCE:** Make a **photocopy** of your personal health insurance policy or card that verifies your policy number. Military dependents may submit a copy of their military identification card. **STUDENTS WHO PURCHASE HEALTH INSURANCE QUARTERLY THROUGH THE UNIVERSITY ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR SUBMITTING A COPY OF THEIR RECEIPT AT THE BEGINNING OF EACH QUARTER.** Please ask for a receipt that shows that you have paid for this insurance when you pay your fees at the Bursar's office. Students who have health coverage through the Ohio Department of Human Services must submit a **photocopy** of their medical assistance identification card at the beginning of each month.

3. **CARDIOPULMONARY RESUSCITATION (CPR) CERTIFICATON:**

Submit a photocopy of your certificate or card (both sides) to the College of Nursing.

Students entering a clinical course must submit proof of cardiopulmonary resuscitation certification. Students must be successfully certified in airway management, adult and pediatric CPR in order to have met the yearly CPR requirement. Other CPR courses/providers will not be accepted in lieu of the ones listed here; we can ONLY accept one the following certifications:

- American Heart Association: BLS for Healthcare Providers
- American Red Cross: Professional Rescuer
- American Heart Association: Heartsaver **and** PBLS
- American Red Cross or American Heart Assoc. Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ACLS)

NOTE: Acute Care Nurse Practitioner Students are required to have ACLS certification.
Pediatric Nurse Practitioner Students are required to have PALS certification.

- 4. FBI & OHIO CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECK** (required before application to all nursing programs)
Programs in the College of Nursing and Health require clinical laboratory experience in a variety of settings where students will give care to clients of all ages. The Ohio Revised Code ORC section 3701.881, requires that those who provide care for children or older adults pass a criminal background check. Students will be assigned care of older adults and children throughout their clinical experience. Due to requirements of clinical agencies, students must have a clear/clean result to be eligible for the nursing program. Therefore, all students applying to a program must have a criminal background record check run (at their own expense) prior to acceptance into the program.

Please go to the educational resource Center located at 116 Allyn Hall for fingerprinting. **The results MUST be sent from the background check agency directly to:
Zane Jacks 160 UH, Wright State University CoNH, 3640 Col. Glenn Hwy., Dayton, OH 45435.**
Copies can not be accepted from another agency.

Both the Ohio BCI&I and the FBI background checks are required. (Students who reside in a different state should submit the FBI background check result and a criminal background check from their state of residence. Both must be sent directly to the College of Nursing and Health from the background check agency.)


For hours of operation, costs and other details regarding fingerprinting, please visit the Educational Resource Center website before going to the ERC for fingerprinting:

<http://www.cehs.wright.edu/resource/erc/fingerprinting.php>

To assure a completed background check, fingerprinting must be completed 60 days prior to the application deadline.

- 5. OHIO NURSING LICENSE:** Registered nurses enrolled in the RN/BSN Completion Program or enrolled in graduate classes must submit a copy of their unencumbered Ohio RN Licensure in addition to the above requirements.

Upon completion of these requirements, students should submit documentation to Immunitrax.

 **Note:** Students will NOT be allowed to begin a clinical nursing course unless all requested information is up-to-date and on file in the College of Nursing and Health. There can be **NO** exceptions.

IMPORTANT NOTE:

It is the *student's responsibility* to ensure that the required physical exam, insurance requirements and CPR are in effect at all times while the student is enrolled in clinical nursing courses. Clinical clearance passes may be picked up at the beginning of each semester in 160 University Hall.

Students who temporarily drop out of the program are responsible for contacting the Clinical Coordinator at 937.775.2482 regarding these requirements before re-entering clinical nursing courses.

NOTE: Wright State University College of Nursing and Health photo ID and clinical clearance pass must be worn at all times at the clinical agencies.

STUDENTS WILL NOT BE ALLOWED IN A CLINICAL SETTING UNLESS THEY HAVE MET ALL HEALTH, INSURANCE, AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS BY THE DEADLINE FOR THAT SEMESTER. STUDENTS NOT MEETING THE DEADLINE WILL ALSO BE ADMINISTRATIVELY WITHDRAWN FROM THE CLINICAL COURSE.

Please keep copies of immunization records and physical information. Many employers will ask for this information at the time of employment.

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