

Vocational Nursing: CPR Card and Immunization Documentation

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CPR 2 years:

- Basic life Support (BLS) CPR and AED Training for Healthcare Professionals Certificate. No **EXCEPTIONS**. NO HEARTSAVER or ONLINE CPR CERTIFICATION WILL BE ACCEPTED.

SJC IMMUNIZATION STATEMENT

Students enrolling into San Jacinto College programs with external learning experiences (i.e., clinical, practicum, externship, cooperative, etc.) will be required to comply with the immunization requirements and policies of the clinical/external learning sites to engage in all clinical/external learning experiences. Vaccination requirements at clinical/external learning sites are implemented pursuant to the independent authority of such facilities and are not mandated by San Jacinto College. Failure to meet the immunization requirements mandated by clinical/external learning sites may limit a student's ability to complete the program and/or may delay the student's graduation date. San Jacinto College does not process exemptions, and students should address potential vaccination exemptions directly with the clinical/external learning site.

Annually:

- TB Skin Test (results must show date administered *and* date read **with results**)
- Chest X-Ray required if you have ever had a positive TB Skin Test and/or QuantiFERON (QFT) blood test
- TB Skin Test -OR- Chest X-Ray is required annually (May be required **every** (6) months at some clinical sites)

Seasonally:

- Flu Vaccine – must be current year

Every 5 years:

- TDAP (Tetanus, Diphtheria and Pertussis)
- Must be administered no later than 2019
- Td is no longer accepted

Titers/Immunization

- San Jacinto College District VN programs **require you to have positive titers for the immunizations listed below**. You should have a titer drawn 30 days following the last immunization in the series. If the titer results are negative, you will need to **restart** the series and provide documentation of series restart
 - A REACTIVE TITER IS POSITIVE. A NON-REACTIVE TITER IS NEGATIVE

MMR Series:

- 2 doses (2nd dose administered 30 days following 1st dose)
- If it has been more than 30 days since your 2nd dose of your MMR immunization, you will have to submit titer results with your application
 - **POSITIVE TITER IS ALWAYS REQUIRED AND MUST BE ADMINISTERED WITHIN 5 YEARS. IF NOT POSITIVE, YOU MUST RESTART SERIES and PROVIDE DOCUMENTATION OF SERIES RESTART.**

Varicella Series:

- 2 doses (2nd dose administered 30 days following 1st dose)
- If it has been more than 30 days since your 2nd dose of your Varicella immunization, you will have to submit titer results with your application
 - **POSITIVE TITER IS ALWAYS REQUIRED AND MUST BE ADMINISTERED WITHIN 5 YEARS. IF NOT POSITIVE, YOU MUST RESTART SERIES and PROVIDE DOCUMENTATION OF SERIES RESTART**

Hepatitis B Series:

- 3 doses (2nd dose completed 1 month after 1st dose; 3rd dose completed 5 months after the 2nd dose)
- Must have 3rd dose **or Positive Titer** prior to clinical, 8B POT (eight week of class)
- Titer: Completed 1 month after 3rd dose
 - **POSITIVE TITER IS ALWAYS REQUIRED MUST BE ADMINISTERED WITHIN 5 YEARS. IF NOT POSITIVE, YOU MUST RESTART SERIES and PROVIDE DOCUMENTATION OF SERIES RESTART**
 - **IT IS ADVISED THAT YOU CHECK INTO THE FAST TRACK OR RAPID SERIES OF THE HEPATITIS B SERIES TO HAVE YOUR TITER COMPLETE BY START OF THE SEMESTER.**

Hepatitis C Titer:

Negative Titer required, must be administered within 5 years.

I have completed the immunization series; do I still need to submit positive titer results?

Yes. Immunization titers are blood tests to ensure you have an acceptable amount of antibodies in the blood to be considered “immune” to the disease.

Do I need all 3 immunizations completed for the Hepatitis B series in order to apply to the program?

No. You are permitted to make application to the program with the 1st immunization of the series. You must have the series completed prior to enrollment, or a specified date determined by the program.

I have a specific situation regarding immunizations; who do I contact?

North Campus - Please send an email to Cheryl.Howard@sjcd.edu regarding the specialized circumstance. Please allow 24 – 48 hours for a response.

South Campus – Please send an email to Carolyn.Sanchez@sjcd.edu regarding the specialized circumstance. Please allow 24-48 hours for a response.