

NEOSHO COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE
MARY GRIMES SCHOOL OF NURSING

Immunization, Physical and CPR Policy

Immunizations, CPR, physical requirements are mandated by the clinical facilities. Clinical facilities require this information in full 2 weeks prior the beginning of the semester. Students will NOT be allowed to participate in practicum without copies of the current health care documents uploaded and viewable on the Clinical+Student (C+S) database. Clinical sites will NOT allow the student to participate at their site without physical evidence of completion for the ENTIRE School Year. There are no exceptions to this requirement. Students will NOT be allowed to progress in the nursing program without successful completion of practicum.

A physical examination and TB skin test are required annually. CPR certification is current for a full 2 years. It is recommended that students time these requirements to align with the beginning of each level since this information has to be submitted 2 weeks prior to beginning of semester and must be current for entire school year, August to May 15th. It is required that Chanute students complete these after spring semester is completed but before July 1st. It is required that Ottawa students complete these during the summer by July 1st also with the new incoming class for spring complete their immunization requirements by October 1st. Forms for the physical examination are available for download from Clinical+Student.

Up-to-date immunizations for Hepatitis, MMR, and chicken pox are required as recommended by the Kansas State Department of Health and Environment and clinical facility requirements. For students a tetanus and diphtheria immunization, T-dap (tetanus with pertussis) is needed for the nursing program. Two MMR's or a positive titer for all three diseases (measles, mumps, and rubella) are required. Immunizations for chickenpox (varicella) are required. The adult vaccination (two injections, one month apart) or a positive titer is accepted. Hepatitis B vaccine and titer is required for the nursing program. Clinical facilities may require additional vaccines. Proof of all required vaccinations is required; dates will be provided for compliance.

Applicants accepted into the nursing program will be required to possess current American Heart Association certification in CPR before the start of clinical. If timed properly, at the student's entry into the program, CPR will remain current for the duration of the program. It is the student's responsibility to obtain certification and maintain a current CPR card. **The course MUST be through the American Heart Association and be the Basic Life Support (BLS) course.** Go to cpr.heart.org, the course is listed under Courses and Kits, then click on Healthcare Professionals, and then click on Basic Life Support. This must be kept current throughout the program. Courses for lay rescuers such as "heartsaver" are not acceptable. The course must include a physical hands-on validation of skills. HeartCode BLS is a combined course that combines online training with a face-to-face skills check. Note that the skills check portion is required for certification.)

Please Note: Clinical facilities require immunizations, physical and CPR documentation be submitted for the clinical group in its entirety at one time. Failure to comply with the previously mentioned deadlines will hold up information submission for the entire clinical rotation. **Failure to comply with facility requests jeopardizes the relationship between the school and the facility and has the potential to cause the school to lose clinical placements. Therefore, noncompliance with this policy will result in the student being placed on a code of conduct contract. If clinical placement is compromised, the student WILL NOT progress in the program.**

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