

Bacterial Meningitis Immunization Record

TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD
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In accordance with Texas law, Texas A&M International University requires first-time students who will reside in on-campus housing, to submit evidence that the student has been vaccinated against bacterial meningitis prior to moving into on-campus housing, or to provide other documentation establishing why such a vaccination is not required.

All first-time students, including transfer students, who will reside in on-campus housing must provide one of the following documents to Student Health Services prior to moving into any on-campus housing facility:

- **A Bacterial Meningitis Immunization Record, signed by a health practitioner evidencing that the student has been vaccinated against bacterial meningitis or any other official state or local immunization record.** Confirmation of the MCV4 (Menactra) vaccine will satisfy as the requirement. The MPSV4 (Menomune) vaccination may not be accepted unless administered or boosted within the past 5 years.

Vaccinations must be administered no fewer than 10 days prior to the student's move in date. Students will not be permitted to move into on-campus housing until a full 10 days have passed since the date of the vaccination. Students who have been approved for on-campus housing, but who have not yet received a vaccination in a timely manner will be expected to make arrangements for housing until the full 10 days have elapsed.

- **A "Refusal of Immunization for Medical Reasons" signed by a physician who is licensed and registered to practice medicine in the United States which states the physician's opinion that the required vaccination would be injurious to the health and well being of the student.**
- **A "Texas Department of State Health Services Conscientious Exemption" signed by the Student stating that the student has declined the vaccination for reasons of conscience, including religious belief.**

Exceptions for many reasons of conscience will not be accepted during a disaster of public health emergency, terrorist attack, hostile military or paramilitary action or extraordinary law enforcement emergency declared by an appropriate official or other authority in regard to the university campus.

All documentation will be maintained by Student Health Services in accordance with applicable Federal and State confidentiality laws. State law and University policy, with limited exceptions, allow you to be informed of information the University collects about you, to review and obtain the information of the specified forms and to correct any information you believe is incorrect.

Return completed form/documentation to:

Mailing Address:

Texas A&M International University
Student Health Services
Attn: Immunization Processing
5201 University Blvd.
Laredo, TX 78041

Drop-Off Location:

Texas A&M International University
Student Health Services
Student Center 125
Fax: 956.326.2234
Email: edodier@tamiu.edu

- Allow a minimum of seven (7) business days for delivery if mailed from a location within the United States.
- TAMIU Student Health Services is not responsible for forms not received due to mail that is misdirected or lost in transit.
- **Incomplete or illegible submissions will not be processed.**
- **Allow a minimum of fifteen (15) business days from receipt of documentation for processing.** Forms arriving less than 15 business days prior to a student taking up residence in an on-campus housing facility may result in a delay in their housing status.

Students may request the Meningitis vaccine from TAMIU Student Health Services for the current posted price of the vaccination.