



## Indiana University School of Optometry Student Immunization Policy

All students entering the Indiana University School of Optometry must meet the immunization requirements of both the University and Indiana Code 20-12-71. IUSO students will not be allowed to enroll in classes until immunization requirements have been fulfilled.

To comply with the requirements, you must provide documentation of the following immunizations:

- Two measles, one mumps, and one rubella (2 MMR vaccines acceptable; first MMR must be given after 1967 and not before first birthday. Students born before January 1, 1957, are exempt from the MMR requirement.
- Tetanus/diphtheria (Td booster) within past 10 years, **tetanus toxoid NOT ACCEPTABLE.**
- Tuberculin skin test (Mantoux only) prior to the start of the first semester at IUSO, within 6 months; must be administered and read in the United States by a registered nurse or physician within 48-72 hours. Need signature of doctor or nurse reading results. Testing is available at the IU Student Health Center.
- The student must provide a signature that indicates information regarding the risks associated with meningococcal disease and the benefits of vaccination have been reviewed.

Additionally the IUSO requires:

- Annual Tuberculin skin test (Mantoux only) for all students, staff and faculty providing eye care to the public through one of our clinics or external clinical programs. If you have tested positive on a Tuberculin skin test you must provide documentation that you have completed the treatment program, or have a doctor's statement and radiology report stating that you are disease free.
- Hepatitis B immunization series (three vaccinations). Hepatitis B is a viral disease that attacks the liver. There is currently no cure for hepatitis B. Each year an estimated 140,000 Americans become infected with hepatitis B. Also, approximately 1 – 1.25 million people in the United States are chronically infected and are considered to be carriers of the virus.
- CPR and AED certification: you will have the opportunity to obtain this certification during your V680 summer clinic program at the beginning of your third year. If you prefer to obtain certification elsewhere, the IUSO accepts only American Red Cross or American Heart Association certification.

Acceptable documents consist of one of the following:

- Completion of the IUSO student immunization form with signature of physician or registered nurse.
- Physician's statement showing the month, day and year during which the vaccinations were administered or infection was experienced. Generally, physicians do not charge for this service.
- Copy of your immunization record from high school or another post secondary institution.
- Personal record maintained by you or your family showing the month, day, and year during which the vaccines were administered.
- Documentation submitted to the Director of Clinics office will be reviewed for accuracy and completion, and you will be notified if there is a discrepancy.

### Exceptions for Immunizations

Exceptions may be made for meeting state requirements under certain conditions, such as health circumstances which contraindicate immunization, pregnancy, or participation in a current sequence of immunizations. A written statement from a physician is necessary in all health circumstances.

The IUSO Student Immunization Form, when completed and verified by physician/registered nurse's signature and/or immunization documentation will fulfill the requirements of the IUSO as well as Indiana University. *\*If you are in the Doctor of Optometry program you may be required to obtain additional immunizations and/or testing as required by individual External Clinical Sites.\** The documentation must be mailed, delivered or faxed to the Student Administration Office prior to the start of your first semester at IUSO. The fax number is 812/855/4389. Questions may be emailed to [IUBOPT@indiana.edu](mailto:IUBOPT@indiana.edu).