

St. Joseph School of Nursing Nashua, New Hampshire

Health Forms

Matriculated students must have required health forms completed by their healthcare provider who must include a statement indicating the applicant is in good mental and physical health. The required health forms are as follows:

1. Immunization and Titer results
2. Required vaccinations/immunizations:
 - a) TB tests including present year and previous calendar year.
 - (1) A two-step TB test is required when no prior TB testing has occurred. When prior testing has occurred, one test must be within the past 3 months prior to affiliation; the other can be up to 24 months old. Quantiferon-Gold or T-Spot are acceptable alternatives and are valid for one year.
 - (2) Symptom surveillance form is completed when a student is not able to undergo TB testing.
 - (3) Annual TB testing is required.
 - b) Varicella – Documentation of history of clinical illness from diagnosing health care provider and a positive serum titer, or documentation of two doses of vaccine. Proof of immunity to varicella is necessary regardless of age or gender.
 - c) Rubeola – Documentation of history of clinical illness from diagnosing health care provider, a positive serum titer, or documentation of two doses of vaccine.
 - d) Rubella – Positive serum titer and documentation of one dose of vaccine. Proof of immunity to rubella is necessary regardless of age or gender.
 - e) MMR (measles, mumps, rubella) 2 doses: First dose on or after 12 months of age; second dose at least 28 days after the first dose.
 - f) Hepatitis B – All students must either be immunized against Hepatitis B utilizing the CDC recommendations OR
 - (1) Submit documentation of a positive serum titer OR
 - (2) Signed declination form
 - g) Seasonal Influenza Vaccination is mandatory and must be done by December 1st each year.
 - h) After primary immunization, a tetanus, diphtheria/pertussis (Tdap) booster every 10 years
3. Physical exam completed by a healthcare provider that enumerates clinical findings which may influence participation in the nursing program or nursing as a career.
4. Health care provider documentation based on physical exam that admission to the school is recommended.
5. A health history completed by the student
6. Documentation of completion of a healthcare provider level CPR/Professional Rescuer CPR course. Completion of an on-line program will require documentation of an additional skills module in order to meet this requirement.
7. Vaccinations will not be required in situations in which it is contraindicated. Documentation of contraindication from health care provider is required.
8. All health records including immunizations and titers will become part of the student health record.
9. Provide documentation of medical clearance from health care provider after a change in health status (i.e. pregnancy, injury, infection). Students must be cleared medically in order to participate in class and clinical requirements of the program. Students must be free from restrictions to participate in clinical.

Failure to complete the required health components **by the first day of the semester** will jeopardize continuation in the program.