Health-Related Admission Requirements

Dear New Student,

Important information - please read carefully. The Illinois College Student Immunization Act (110-ILCS 20) requires ALL students enrolled in six (6) or more credit hours per semester (on the Romeoville campus) to provide written evidence of current immune status with respect to certain communicable diseases. You are required to submit an up to date copy of your immunization (shot) record to the Health Services office here on campus.

Deadline: The required documentation must be submitted to Health Services before the 6th week of the first term enrolled to avoid a non-refundable $50 late fee and a Health Services Hold for future class registration. The Health Services Hold will be removed only after the required documentation is received. NO EXCEPTIONS.

Vaccinations REQUIRED by the State of Illinois for college students include:

- **Td (Tetanus/Diphtheria)** - 1 booster dose of combined Td or Tdap within the last 10 years. Tetanus Toxoid (TT) is not acceptable.

- **2 MMR's** fulfill the requirements – two (2) doses no less than 28 days apart and administered both after your first birthday and after live vaccine available-May 1, 1971; or proof of:
  - **2 Measles** (Rubeola, Hard, Red, 10-day) – two (2) doses no less than 28 days apart and administered both after your first birthday and after January 1, 1968; or physician diagnosis of disease; or copy of a lab report proving a significant level of antibodies for immunity to rubeola.
  - **1 Mumps** – One (1) dose administered both after your first birthday and after January 1, 1968; or physician diagnosis of disease; or copy of a lab report proving a significant level of antibodies for immunity to mumps.
  - **1 Rubella** (German Measles, 3-day) – One (1) dose administered both after your first birthday and after January 1, 1970; or copy of a lab report proving a significant level of antibodies for immunity to rubella. *Note: History of disease is not acceptable for compliance.

- Students born before 1957 are exempt from the above MMR requirements

RECOMMENDED vaccination:

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommends that students living in residence halls receive a meningococcal vaccine. If you have not been previously vaccinated or received this vaccination before the age of 16, please consider getting this HIGHLY RECOMMENDED vaccination available at our office or from your personal physician, your Public Health Department, or through any local pharmacy chain with a "quick care" clinic on site.
Please visit our website http://www.lewisu.edu/studentservices/health/index.htm where you can download various forms that we have included for your convenience.

✓ **Student Immunization Information Form** (use this form only if you do not already have a copy of your shot record).
✓ **High School/College Request for Release of Immunization Records** (use this form to send to your former high school or college only if they haven’t already provided you with a copy of your shot record).
✓ **Medical History Form** (optional at the time of admission. We will ask you to fill out this form if you visit Health Services as a patient).

It is your responsibility to follow through on this process and to make sure that we have received the required documentation by the aforementioned deadline.

After required documentation has been received and reviewed for compliance, you will receive an email at your Lewis email account only if additional information is required. Again, it is your responsibility to regularly check your Lewis email.

To help students satisfy these requirements, Health Services can provide the Tetanus Diphtheria (Td) vaccination at no charge. For students without documentation of their measles, mumps and/or rubella vaccination status, we can provide a physician’s order to have blood tests (antibody titers) drawn off-site at a reduced price. We do not administer MMR vaccinations, but can provide a list of resources. *Some programs require TB skin testing. Health Services can provide TB skin testing at no charge.*

All required documentation can be dropped off or sent to Health Services via mail, fax, or email.

**Lewis University**  
The Center for Health and Counseling Services  
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**Health Center Hours:** Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

The University offers an optional Student Injury and Sickness Insurance Plan that students may purchase through First Agency Inc. The plan is underwritten by Guarantee Trust Life Insurance Company of Illinois. For more information, contact First Agency Inc. directly, at 1-269-381-6630. **Uninsured students are highly encouraged to consider this coverage.**

Thank you for your cooperation! We look forward to you becoming a part of the Lewis Community. Please contact us should you have any questions. **Phone: 815-836-5455.**

Sincerely,

Michelle Ronchetti, RN  
Director of Health Services  

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