

Screening/Immunity Requirements 2008-2009

Measles and Mumps Immunity Requirements:

USC requires all students receive two doses of MMR vaccine, or show proof of Measles and Mumps immunity, prior to their first semester of enrollment at USC. Students should submit a photocopy, of one of the following, to prove their immunity:

1. Documentation (month and year) of receiving *TWO* doses of the combination MMR (Measles, Mumps and Rubella) vaccine (or *TWO* doses of Measles vaccine and *TWO* doses of Mumps vaccine)
- OR* 2. Documentation of a positive Rubeola titer and Mumps titer (laboratory blood test)
- OR* 3. Documentation from a physician or clinic indicating a past diagnosis of the disease(s)

Students should retain original documents for their own records and submit photocopies. All documentation must include an official signature or stamp from your physician or clinic. The first dose of Measles, Mumps or MMR vaccines must be given at 12 months of age or later. The second given 4 weeks (or later) following the first dose. Students born prior to January 1, 1957 are considered immune and will automatically be listed as exempt from the Measles and Mumps requirement.

Tuberculosis Skin Test Requirements:

All International Students are required to be screened for tuberculosis in the United States or Canada within 6 months prior to their first semester of enrollment at USC. A photocopy documenting one of the following will serve as proof:

1. Documentation of a negative TB skin test (PPD) administered and read in the United States or Canada within six months prior to enrollment
- OR* 2. Documentation of INH therapy for prophylaxis for at least six months and a written report of a negative chest X-ray performed in the United States or Canada within six months prior to enrollment
- OR* 3. Documentation of both a positive PPD skin test and a negative chest X-ray performed in the United States or Canada within six months prior to enrollment
- OR* 4. A written report of a negative chest X-ray performed in the United States or Canada within six months prior to enrollment for students with documentation of previous treatment for active tuberculosis

Documentation of a *POSITIVE* TB skin test, performed in a country other than the United States or Canada, will *ONLY* be accepted if the document includes the measurement of reaction in millimeters. A written report of a negative chest x-ray performed in the United States or Canada within six months prior to enrollment at USC must also accompany this document.

A history of BCG immunization does *NOT* fulfill this requirement. Tuberculosis skin testing must include measurement of reaction in millimeters and must include an official signature or stamp from a physician or clinic in the United States or Canada. Chest X-rays must be performed in the United States or Canada and in the form of a written report. X-ray films will not be accepted.

IMPORTANT - Receiving a Measles Vaccination and TB Skin Test Simultaneously:

A Measles, Mumps or MMR vaccination and a TB Skin test may be performed at the same time. However, if not performed at the same time, students who have previously received a Measles, Mumps or MMR vaccination, and who are in need of a TB Skin Test, *MUST* wait at least 4 weeks from the date of their vaccination to have a TB skin test performed.

Students Unable To Provide Required Documentation:

Students unable to provide the required documentation, will be asked to receive the vaccination (or titer) and TB skin Test and provide us with that documentation. Documents must be submitted by the following deadlines:

Semester	Deadline
<i>Incoming Students for Fall 2008</i>	<i>September 5, 2008</i>
<i>Incoming Students for Spring 2009</i>	<i>January 23, 2009</i>

All documents must include the students full name and 10-Digit USC ID number. Students may mail, hand-deliver or FAX required documents to:

USC University Park Health Center
Attn: Immunization/Screening Compliance Office
849 W. 34th Street, Los Angeles, CA 90089-0311
FAX: (213) 821-2740

For additional information please call (213) 740-1163, or e-mail us at: uphccomp@usc.edu