

STC

Clinical Education Standards

A. CLINICAL REQUIREMENTS:

Students enrolled in NAH Programs must meet the clinical requirements established by the Division of Nursing and Allied Health. Before enrolling in a clinical experience, a student must have the following on file in the Division office:

1. Proof of required immunizations (**see below)
2. Proof of liability insurance (available through STC)
3. Proof of Health and Accident Insurance (must be current throughout all Practicum/Clinical)
4. Current CPR/First Aid certification (must remain current)
5. Current (not older than 6 months) TB test results (must be repeated every 6 months throughout the program, or if required by positive testing, chest x-ray once every two years)
6. Cleared criminal background check and/or proof of licensure eligibility
7. Proof of negative drug screen

**The following immunizations are required for all students in health-related courses, which involve direct patient contact in medical settings:

- a. Measles, mumps, and rubella (MMR): proof of immunizations as defined by the Texas Department of Health Standards or proof of immunity by disease
- b. Tetanus/diphtheria: proof of “booster” dose administered within the last ten (10) years
- c. Hepatitis B series (HBV): written certification of serological immunity to HBV or completed series of HBV vaccinations
- d. Varicella (chicken pox) vaccine (or documented exposure)

The student will assume full costs of the immunizations, personal health insurance coverage and medical services. Inquiries concerning any exemptions to this requirement should be directed to the NAH Dean.

The Division of NAH utilizes a password-protected database for the maintenance of such records. Access is limited to the Division Dean, Administrative Assistant and the NAH Clinical Affairs Specialist. Students are required to submit the necessary documentation to the NAH Clinical Affairs Specialist for scanning and electronic filing. Students maintain original records. Students then receive notification for ongoing compliance needs throughout the duration of the program. The ACCE likewise receives email notification on students in jeopardy of non-compliance. The Dean or designated program chair may immediately remove students from a clinical course or program, when, in their professional opinion, the student is not in compliance with established program standards and/or continued participation puts clinical affiliate and/or its clientele at risk.

NOTE: All students must have a current signed Meningitis Waiver Form completed through STC Admissions.