

IMMUNIZATION/CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

EXERCISE SCIENCE

Immunizations, screening tests and vaccines (immunizations) listed below are required prior to entering the Exercise Science Program. The Exercise Science Program requires additional immunizations beyond University Requirements. Students are required to maintain up-to-date immunizations/ vaccinations and submit all required documentation to their CastleBranch "Compliance Tracker." Official documentation (medical records) must be provided for all immunizations (*see note regarding HepB series requirements*) listed below and **must** be provided to CastleBranch.

A. University required immunizations (upon submission of FGCU application):

- MMR (Series of 2 shots)

OR

- Positive Rubella (German Measles) Titer Test indicating immunity **AND** Positive Rubeola (Measles) Titer Test indicating immunity

B. Exercise Science Program required immunizations and screening tests:

- Positive Varicella (Chicken Pox, Herpes Zoster) Titer Test **OR** Immunization Series
 - Previous occurrence of Chicken Pox is not sufficient
- Current Tetanus booster (must be "Td" within 10 years)
 - Must remain current while enrolled in Exercise Science Program
- Mantoux TB 2-step screening test within 1 year of application and yearly thereafter
 - Must remain current while enrolled in Exercise Science Program
 - A positive Mantoux TB test result must be followed up with a chest x-ray and/or verification of inactive status
- Hepatitis B (HB) Vaccine Series **AND** Titer Test indicating immunity
 - The series of 3 immunizations must be completed at 0, 1 and 6 months
 - A Titer Test indicating immunity is required following the vaccine series
 - *A student signed waiver for the Hepatitis B Vaccine series may be submitted in lieu of the Hepatitis B Vaccine Series and Titer Test, but may exclude student from participating in Experiential Learning due to requirements of individual sites.*

C. Students may also be required to obtain a flu vaccine, dependent upon their experiential learning site requirements.

D. Certifications and other requirements:

- CPR/Healthcare Provider AED & First Aid
 - CPR/AED and First Aid courses will be scheduled for students within 2-3 weeks of entering the Exercise Science Program. There is a cost of approximately \$35.00 for the CPR/AED course and approximately \$15.00 for the First Aid course that is covered by the students' lab fees. If student does not complete these courses, they will be required to seek and obtain certification on their own. No additional courses will be offered at FGCU.
 - If student is certified prior to entering the Exercise Science Program, they must provide adequate documentation to prove certification.
 - Certification must be through Red Cross or American Heart Association. Online courses for CPR/AED are not acceptable.
 - Certification must remain current throughout the Exercise Science Program.
- Liability Insurance

- All students must maintain constant and continuous coverage for professional liability via the Department of Rehabilitation Sciences blanket liability insurance coverage while enrolled in the program.
- Background Check and Fingerprinting
 - Students admitted to the Exercise Science Program may be required to undergo a Level 2 background check, fingerprinting and/or drug and/or alcohol screen, dependent upon their experiential learning site requirements.
- Health Insurance
 - All students must maintain continuous health insurance coverage while in the ES Program. Proof of coverage must be uploaded to the CastleBranch Compliance Tracker prior to beginning the upper-level Exercise Science curriculum.

It is important that you retain a copy of all information submitted to the Department of Rehabilitation Sciences for your personal records and for future use in the Exercise Science Program.