

Immunization and Background Check Requirements

In order to meet the health requirements for clinical practice, students must provide the following immunization records at the time of the admission physical and occupational skills examination. Students are responsible for purchasing the CastleBranch Medical Document Manager, and uploading current documentation of immunizations and/or titers to CastleBranch.

Proof of immunization is required for Measles, Mumps, Rubella, Varicella, Hepatitis B, Tetanus, Diphtheria, and Pertussis. Students who are unable to provide evidence of past immunization, either through immunization records or through blood titers, will be able to receive these during the admission physical. Students must also be tested for tuberculosis (TB).

On an annual basis, students must receive the seasonal influenza vaccination, and obtain TB testing. Students may receive exemption from receiving the seasonal flu vaccination for medical or religious reasons. More detailed information is available in the student handbooks. Failure to comply with these requirements will jeopardize student participation in clinical course work.

The applicant/student is required to complete a drug screening and criminal background check. The drug screen will be completed during the admission physical and occupational skills examination, and it may be required at other times throughout the program.

The applicant must understand that final admission is dependent upon meeting all Technical Standards found in the Student Handbooks, results of the physical and occupational skills examination, a negative drug screen, and criminal background check.

Columbia College of Nursing reserves the right to reject the application of a candidate related to a positive drug screen and/or background check or remove a student from the program if the College determines that the results of the criminal background check or drug screen demonstrate that the candidate/student does not exhibit behavior and social attributes consistent with the College's Technical Standards. Any convictions of a crime that occur during the student's enrollment must be reported within seven (7) days.



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