

Immunization Requirements

Gordon-Conwell students are required to be in compliance with the Massachusetts College Immunization Law of 1985. In order to attend classes, all student (regardless of age) enrolled for course credit must present written documentation from a medical professional proving that they have been properly immunized according to the following state standards:

MMR and MMR Booster

- ❖❖ Students must receive one dose of the Measles-Mumps-Rubella vaccine (MMR) and a second dose/booster of the MMR (or just a second dose of a Measles-containing vaccine).
- ❖❖ You must turn in *two separate dates* that are at least one month apart. It is NOT sufficient for your physician to simply state that a second dose of MMR was given on a certain date without also listing the first date; *two separate dates* must be documented.

Hepatitis B

- ❖❖ Students must receive a combination of three doses of the Hepatitis B immunization. The second injection must be at least 30 days after the first injection. The third injection must be at least 6 months after the first injection.
- ❖❖ You must turn in *three separate dates*. It is NOT sufficient for your physician to simply state that a *third* dose of Hepatitis B was given on a certain date without also listing the first and second dates; *three separate dates* must be documented.

Varicella

- ❖❖ Students must receive a combination of two doses of the Varicella immunization. The second injection must be taken at least 28 days after the first injection.

Meningococcal

- ❖❖ Students must be immunized against meningococcal disease or must read and complete the *Official Decline of Meningococcal Vaccine* form available through the Registration Office, which includes important information regarding meningococcal disease.

Tetanus

- ❖❖ Students must receive any combination of three or more doses of DTP, Dt, Td or T, with the last dose being administered within the last ten years.
- ❖❖ If not previously immunized, three doses are required. The time interval between the first and second dose is two months, the third dose being a year later.

Exceptions - The required immunizations can only be waived if the Registration Office has the following written verification on file:

- Laboratory evidence of immunity to Measles, Mumps, Rubella, Hepatitis B, and Varicella.
- Medical verification, signed by a physician, that you are not immunized due to health reasons
- Personal letter, with your signature, stating that you are pregnant or trying to become pregnant (valid for one year)
- Personal letter, with your signature, explaining that you are not immunized due to religious reasons

Please retain the top section for your own records and return the completed bottom portion to the Registration Office.

IMMUNIZATION FORM [Doctors, please note: These requirements may be more stringent than what you might normally advise, but please understand we must abide by Massachusetts state regulations.]

ID#: _____ Date: _____

Student Name: _____

Address: _____

*MMR (Measles, Mumps, Rubella): Date of Dose 1 _____ Date of Dose 2 _____

Hepatitis B: Date of Dose 1 _____ Date of Dose 2 _____ Date of Dose 3 _____

Varicella: Date of Dose 1 _____ Date of Dose 2 _____

Meningococcal: Date of Dose _____

Tetanus-Diphtheria: Date of Booster _____ **Please attach any necessary lab reports, letters, etc. to this form.**

Signature of Physician or Nurse: _____

Address: _____