IMMUNIZATION DOCUMENTATION REQUIREMENTS FOR DOCTOR OF PHARMACY STUDENTS

POLICY:

- Pharmacy students provide direct health care for patients who have a broad range of disease states, including disease states that are transmitted from person-to-person. This puts pharmacy students at risk of contracting illness from their patients.

- In addition to the personal risk to the student, the student is also at risk of transmitting disease to their patients who are vulnerable, such as pediatric, geriatric, and immunocompromised patients.

- Therefore, it is HCOP’s policy that all pharmacy students must be fully immunized for their self-protection and to protect their patients.

PROCEDURES:

- All student pharmacists are required to provide proof of the following immunizations to Clinical Affairs and Outreach’s Experiential Programs Office prior to their first day of class:
  - Measles, mumps, rubella (MMR) series
  - Varicella (chicken pox) series
  - Hepatitis B; three (3) vaccination series
  - Tetanus, diphtheria, pertussis (Tdap); Booster with tetanus/diptheria (Td)
    - the date of the student’s Tdap must be within 10 years of first day of pharmacy school, and if it expires (surpasses 10 years) while the student is in the HCOP program, then documentation of a Td booster must be provided to HCOP.
  - Influenza is addressed in a separate policy

- Documentation must meet Center for Disease Control (CDC) for vaccination requirements.

- Complete immunization records must be provided or bloodwork with antibody titers that demonstrate immunity to the disease can be provided.

- Documentation must be uploaded into CORE® by the deadline determined by HCOP Experiential Programs

Additional information regarding immunizations can be found on the Center for Disease Control and Prevention website at [www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov) under Health Topics A-Z.