

Clinical Student Disclosure of Clinical Requirements for Respiratory Therapy Students

Clinical students in the Respiratory Therapy Program **MUST** provide the requested documentation* in order to be placed in a clinical site:

*Required documentation subject to change. Requirements are based on mandates from healthcare facilities.

Clinical student are responsible for obtaining the following immunizations:

- Hepatitis B vaccination series
- Hepatitis B titer**
- 2 Varicella shots (if no proof of shots a Varicella titer will be required)
- Negative TB skin test or negative chest x-ray report (current for the year)
- 2 MMR (1 MMR if born before 1957. If no proof of shots a Rubella/Rubeola titer will be required)
- Tetanus (within 10 years)
- Flu shot may also be required at specific facilities or waiver signed requiring mask donning during clinical rotations (i.e., LSU Health)

**A negative titer may require additional vaccinations be performed.

Clinical students are also responsible for providing the following documentation¹:

- General physical examination (Health Status Statement Form for Respiratory Therapy Program)– program specific forms to be completed to comply with requirement
- Health insurance verification** (must be maintained during enrollment in clinical program)
- HIPAA certification (current for the year)
- OSHA certification (current for the year)
- American Heart Association Healthcare Provider Basic Life Support certification (current for the year)
- ACLS certification (only for Advanced Respiratory Therapy students)
- Copy of Driver's License or State Issued Identification Card
- TB Mask Fit Test exclusive to particular facility (i.e., performed at a Willis Knighton Health System Workcare, if performing a clinical rotation in that system)
- Certificate of Completion of online modules for the Veteran's Administration (VA) Hospital, if performing a clinical rotation in that system

¹Each clinical facility may have specific requirements that mandate a student complete online learning modes, written documentation, informational packets, onsite orientation meetings, etc., per protocol at the discretion of various departmental policy

The following consent forms and documents will be provided by BPCC and must be completed during clinical program orientation:

- Background Checks (To include a minimum of the following: Criminal history, Social Security number trace, residency history, Office of Inspector General Sanction Report, Medicare/Medicaid excluded lists, and General Services Administration, and State and National Sexual Predator Registry)

- Drug / Alcohol screen (Random testing may be performed at any time)
- Image release
- Student information release
- Memo of Understanding
- Clinical Student Handbook Acknowledgement
- Essential Requirements (Technical Requirements)
- BPCCC Under No Obligation
- Consent for Information Release in Preparation for Clinical Assignment
- Acknowledgment of BPCCC Clinical Handbook

Certain behaviors, including but not limited to the following, may result in immediate removal from the clinical site with a recommendation for dismissal from the program being sent to the Office of Student Services:

- Violation of patients right/confidentiality
- Falsifying data and/or records
- Illegal behavior or act
- Possession or use of intoxicants or narcotics
- Failure to follow the instructions of employees of the facility
- Any conduct that results in dismissal from a clinical site or programmatic course
- Failure to submit to a drug test or a positive drug test result
- Failure to submit to a criminal background check
- Jeopardizing patient safety
- Failure to maintain personal health insurance
- Failure to consent to a background check, drug/alcohol screen, or Release of Information for Preparation of Clinical Rotations

Additional documentation or procedures may be required at any time. Changes to documentation requirements would be in response to mandates administered by accrediting agencies, clinical affiliates, or administration. If you have any questions, please contact the Program Coordinator at 318-678-6110.