IMMUNIZATION POLICY

Immunization Requirements for ALL incoming students due July 5, 2024:

State of Connecticut <u>General Statutes</u> and Wesleyan University regulations require that all fulltime or matriculating students born after December 31, 1956, provide proof of adequate immunization or screening against measles, mumps, rubella, varicella, and meningitis prior to student enrollment at the university. Additionally, **new and returning** Wesleyan students are strongly encouraged to obtain a Covid-19 bivalent booster.

The university also requires Tuberculosis screening for all new students, both domestic and international, based on recommendations from the Connecticut Department of Health.

Students not compliant with the above immunization requirements prior to campus arrival will have a registration hold placed on their Wes account. Secure messaging announcing the date on which holds will be activated will be sent to all noncompliant students.

Download and print the <u>Student Immunization Record</u>, take to your provider. Once completed, please scan and upload to your Student Health Portal at <u>wesleyan.medicatconnect.com</u>. All documentation must be submitted in English (or accompanied by a certified translation at the student's expense) and include your name and student ID.

The following are MANDATORY for ALL students:

1. Measles (Rubeola), Mumps and Rubella (German measles) – please upload proof of one of the following if born after December 31, 1956:

- a) Two measles, 2 mumps, 2 rubella (or MMR) immunizations (one after age 12 months; the second dose at least 28 days after dose #1), **OR**
- b) Documentation of positive measles, mumps and rubella titers (blood test), OR
- c) Documentation of date of measles, mumps or rubella disease by your health care provider.

2. Chicken Pox (Varicella) – please upload proof of one of the following if born after January 1, 1980:

- a) Two varicella immunizations (one after age 12 months; the second dose at least 28 days after dose #1), **OR**
- b) Documentation of positive varicella titer (blood test), OR

c) Documentation of date of varicella disease by your health care provider.

3. Meningitis (MenACWY) - please upload proof if living in university owned housing

a) One dose of meningococcal conjugate immunization (one after age 16 years and within the last five years). The only vaccines accepted are MenQuadfi, Menactra, Menveo and Nimerex. Polysaccharide immunizations will not be accepted (ACWY, Mencevax, Menomune) and will need to be updated.

4. Tuberculosis Screening

All new students must complete the "Tuberculosis Screening Questionnaire" on the student health portal. If you answer "yes" to any questions, Tuberculosis (TB) testing is required. Please download the <u>Tuberculosis Testing Form</u> from the Student Health Portal and bring it your Health Care Provider. TB testing must be performed within 6 months of your matriculation date. Fall 2024 entrants: your test date must be dated 3/2024 or later. Students with a history of BCG vaccination are not exempt from this requirement. TB screening and testing of international students can be done at Wesleyan Health Center during orientation if not previously done at home. Fees will apply.

Acceptable TB tests include:

- 1. Interferon-Gamma Release Assay (IGRA). **This is the preferred method.** Two IGRAs commercially available:
 - QuantiFERON[®]-TB Gold (QFT-GIT)
 - T-SPOT[®] (T-Spot)
- 2. Mantoux tuberculin skin test (PPD)

If your TB test is positive, or if you have had a positive TB test in the past, you will need a chest x-ray. We accept chest x-rays completed within the past 6 months. **Fall 2024 entrants: your chest x-ray must be dated 3/2024 or later**. The radiology report **must be attached** in order for the health center to accept the x-ray result.

The following immunizations are highly recommended although not mandatory:

Covid-19 (Pfizer or Moderna bivalent booster preferred), Hepatitis A (2 doses), Hepatitis B (3 doses), HPV (3 doses), Meningitis Serogroup B (2-3 doses) and adult tetanus, diphtheria and pertussis (Tdap) - booster within 10 years.

Wesleyan University is required by CT statute to provide information regarding meningitis and Hepatitis B infections and the benefits of vaccination.

Meningitis: http://www.immunize.org/catg.d/p4210.pdf

Hepatitis B: http://www.immunize.org/catg.d/p4205.pdf