

Physical Examination

Each accepted applicant is required to have a physical exam during the months **prior to enrollment** and complete the Health History Form. This form is to be returned to the MTSA Admissions Coordinator by December 13, with all information required on the Health History form, or the accepted applicant's position in the incoming class may be forfeited. This includes:

- The **actual lab reports** showing evidence of either immune or non-immune for the titers Rubella and Rubeola.
- The **actual lab reports** giving evidence of positive Varicella titer drawn from a reputable laboratory with date and result, OR evidence of two Varicella vaccines given no less than one month apart and a post-vaccine titer. Any Varicella titer in the negative range (indicating no immunity) must have the Varivax vaccine in the two-stage process. If the Varivax vaccine is indicated, it is the student's responsibility to obtain this vaccine and to provide documentation of such to the MTSA Admissions Coordinator prior to enrollment at MTSA.
- Written documentation of completed series of three Hepatitis B vaccines or documentation of refusal of the vaccine (from physician's office).
- Record of tetanus booster (from physician's office in the last seven years).
- Documentation (the actual report) of completion of the CDC-required TB skin test will be required within at least the 12 months prior to enrollment.
- Some clinical sites require various other vaccines prior to participation there, and these vaccines will be required (i.e. H₁N₁, flu, TDAP vaccine past the age of 18).
- All student health records may be shared with appropriate personnel at any clinical affiliate, if requested. Students must sign a release of information form.

MTSA reserves the right to deny admittance of an accepted applicant if the physical examination or health information deems that the person would be incapable of completing the program.

TB Skin Testing

After enrollment, students are required to have a current single-step TB skin test, with results measured in millimeters, on file with the office of the Coordinator of Clinical Support.

Before entering clinical rotations, students may need to update their TB test records as some affiliates require TB skin test 3 months before the assignment begins. Both the Coordinator of Clinical Support and the Clinical Assistant have been trained by the Davidson County Health Department and are qualified to administer this TB skin test to current students only. If results are positive, a chest x-ray is required, until proof of normal chest x-rays for two consecutive years are in MTSA's file. If the chest x-ray is required, MTSA will refer the student to another facility, and it must be performed at the student's additional expense. If a student chooses not to have TB skin testing done at MTSA, the student will be responsible for meeting the same testing and documentation requirements, but these will be entirely on the student's "off" time and at the student's personal additional expense.

Clinical Standards

In addition, all students are required to have an annual influenza vaccine. If a medical condition exists that prohibits the student from receiving the vaccine, the student must present documentation from their primary care provider stating why the influenza vaccine is contraindicated.