

# UCLA Arthur Ashe Student Health & Wellness Center: *Health Clearance (for Professional Schools) FAQ*

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## **1. I'm an incoming professional school (Dental, Medicine, Nursing, or Social Welfare) student; what are the health clearance requirements for my program?**

UCLA Professional Schools (Dental, Medicine, Nursing, & Social Welfare) require that you obtain a health clearance. The following "Health Screening Requirements" must be completed for entry to the Dental, Medical, Nursing, or Social Welfare programs, respectively, in order to fulfill the school mandate (depending on your individual program deadlines). Please note that the requirements must be completed within the time frames as listed below:

- ***Tuberculosis Skin Test (PPD/Mantoux) – completion within 6 months of entry to school.***
  - If your PPD is reactive (read: positive) or if you have a history of reactive PPD, a chest x-ray is required within 12 months of entry to school.
  - School of Nursing students must complete a two-step PPD. Please enter the date of the first PPD on the electronic form and submit paper documentation of the 2<sup>nd</sup> PPD when you mail in your paperwork
- ***Tetanus/Diphtheria (Td) or Tetanus/Diphtheria/Pertussis (Tdap) – completion within 10 years.***
  - Exact date of vaccine must be indicated
- ***Measles, Mumps, Rubella – demonstration of immunity to Measles, Mumps, Rubella.***
  - You must submit proof of a laboratory blood test for antibody against Measles, Mumps, Rubella (MMR) to the Ashe Center at the attention of "health clearance";

be sure to include the name of your professional school e. g Dental, Medical, Nursing, or Social Welfare

- Vaccines are **NOT** acceptable in lieu of a titer
- A copy of the lab report must be submitted to the Ashe Center at the attention of “health clearance”; be sure to include the name of your professional school e.g. Dental, Medical, Nursing, or Social Welfare
- If the MMR results are negative, you **MUST** get a post-titer booster.

- ***Hepatitis B – demonstration of immunity to Hepatitis B.***

- If you have been vaccinated or have reason to believe you have natural immunity because of previous exposure or because you have lived in an area where Hepatitis B infection is common, you must present proof of a lab test for antibody to the virus (Hep B Surface Antibody).
- If you are not immune to Hepatitis B, you must complete a three-step vaccination series over a six month period; you are required to have the first two doses PRIOR to orientation.
- When you have completed the three-shot Hep B immunization series, a Hepatitis B Surface Antibody titer must be taken and a copy of the lab report submitted to the Ashe Center at the attention of “health clearance”; be sure to include the name of your professional school e.g. Dental, Medical, Nursing, or Social Welfare

- ***Varicella – titer is required and a copy of the lab report must be submitted to the Ashe Center at the attention of “health clearance”; be sure to include the name of your professional school e.g. Dental, Medical, Nursing, or Social Welfare***

- Vaccines are NOT acceptable in lieu of a titer
- If you are NOT immune to Varicella you must complete two vaccines given 30 days apart.
- The two vaccines must be completed **prior** to orientation.

## **2. If my program requires a health clearance, by when do I have to complete my health clearance?**

It depends; check with your program directly to be certain about their deadline for completing your health clearance. Most of the programs require that you initiate the health clearance process prior to your program orientation.

## **3. I submitted my health clearance information electronically; why does the computer still say my status is “unverified”?**

Your health clearance will remain “unverified” until you submit all your documentation with copies of laboratory tests to the Ashe Center at the attention of “health clearance” be sure to include the name of your professional school e.g. Dental, Medical, Nursing, or Social Welfare. Once all your documentation is received, your electronic submission will be considered “verified.”

## **4. When will I know if my status has been “verified”/ “cleared”?**

To check if your status has been “verified” or “cleared,” go to the Ashe Center website, [www.studenthealth.ucla.edu](http://www.studenthealth.ucla.edu); click “Professional School Health Clearance” from the “Health Clearances” section on our homepage to log onto *PnC Web*. Once in *PnC Web*, click on “Immunizations” to view what you are compliant with and what you’re missing.

**5. I already submitted my electronic health clearance information but now I realize that some of the information I submitted was incomplete or incorrect; how can I access the page to re-submit my information?**

If you've already submitted your electronic health clearance information but need to access the page again to re-submit, you will need to contact the Ashe Center Public Response via email at [shsmail@ashe.ucla.edu](mailto:shsmail@ashe.ucla.edu). Please allow 1-2 business days for your account to be reset.

**6. I attempted to submit my health clearance information electronically but received an error message saying that they cannot locate me in the system; what should I do?**

If you attempted to submit your health clearance information electronically but received an error message saying that they cannot locate you in the system, you will need to check to make sure that you have already sent in your Statement of Intent to Register (SIR) & Statement of Legal Residence (SLR) to the University. Please allow a minimum of 5 business days from the day you mail in your SIR & SLR before attempting to submit your health clearance information electronically on the Ashe Center website.

**7. I haven't finished my Hepatitis B 3-shot series but am in the process of doing so; will my status be cleared even though it says I'm "non-compliant"?**

If you have not yet finished your Hepatitis B 3-shot series but are in the process of doing so, your status for Hepatitis B will remain "non-compliant" until you finish the series. When you have completed the three shot series, a Hepatitis B Surface Antibody titer must be taken and a copy of the lab report must be submitted to the Ashe Center at the attention of "health clearance"; be sure to include the name of your professional school e. g Dental, Medical, Nursing, Social Welfare.

Your professional school will be able to see that you are in the process of completing this portion of the health clearance requirement. Once all documentation has been received, only then will your status say "compliant."

**8. I don't currently have health insurance; can I come to the Ashe Center to receive the necessary health clearance requirements e.g. immunizations prior to the start of my program?**

Yes. Incoming professional school students may come to the Ashe Center for health clearance-related concerns on a fee-for-service basis prior to the start of their program. The "Fee for Service" column in the Ashe Center [Fees Flyer](#) provides a sample of the Ashe Center's most frequently ordered services and their respective fees. The [Immunizations Price List](#) provides a list of the immunizations offered at the Ashe Center along with their corresponding prices. To make an appointment, please contact the Ashe Center at (310) 825-4073.

**9. To where should I mail the copies of my forms and lab reports?**

To make sure your health clearance is verified, you will need to mail copies of your forms and lab reports to the Ashe Center at the attention of "health clearance"; be sure to include the name of your school e.g. Dental, Medicine, Nursing, or Social Welfare. The Ashe Center mailing address is: 221 Westwood Plaza, Box 951703, Los Angeles, CA 90095-1703.

**10. Still have questions?**

If you still have questions, please feel free to contact your program coordinator. You may also send inquires via email to [shsmail@ashe.ucla.edu](mailto:shsmail@ashe.ucla.edu).