# Wenatchee Valley College Student Immunization and Documentation Requirements Effective July 2025

Welcome to Wenatchee Valley College! To ensure your successful participation in clinical learning experiences, all students must fulfill the following immunization and documentation requirements. We work with American DataBank/Complio to track and manage immunizations and other required documents. **PLEASE DON’T PURCHASE YOUR COMPLIO UNTIL YOU HAVE BEEN GIVEN MORE INFORMATION**

## General Documentation Standards

To be considered official, all documentation must adhere to the following guidelines:

* **Immunization Records:**
  + Must be on the healthcare provider’s official letterhead.
  + Clearly state the student's full name.
  + Include the specific date of immunization.
  + Provide the vaccine lot number.
  + Bear the legible signature of the person administering the immunization.
* **Other Documentation (e.g., test results, certifications):**
  + Must be on the provider’s official stationery.
  + Clearly state the student's full name.
  + Include the date of completion.
  + Bear the provider’s signature, if applicable.

**Reminder: Always keep your original documents for your personal records. Wenatchee Valley College does not keep records of student immunizations.**

### Required Immunizations & Health Screenings

The following immunizations and screenings are mandatory for all students participating in clinical learning experiences:

* **Tetanus/Diphtheria/Pertussis (Tdap)**
  + A Tdap injection or booster is required within the last ten (10) years.
  + **Note:** Only the Tdap vaccine, which includes pertussis, will be accepted. Td (Tetanus/Diphtheria) alone is not sufficient.
* **Measles, Mumps, Rubella (MMR)**
  + Provide presumptive evidence of immunity to measles, rubella, and mumps. This can be met by:
    - Documented administration of two (2) doses of live virus MMR vaccine, **OR**
    - Positive titers (blood test confirming immunity) for Mumps, Rubella, and Rubeola.
* **Hepatitis B Vaccines**
  + Completion series of 2, 3, or 4 injections **AND** a positive titer with lab result documentation.
  + The first and second injections must be completed prior to entering the Program.
  + **Standard Dosing Schedule:**
    - Second dose: Four (4) weeks after the first.
    - Third dose: Five (5) months after the second. (Consult your healthcare provider for alternative dosing schedules if applicable.)
  + A positive titer (blood test) confirming immunity is required.
  + **Recommendation:** CDC guidelines suggest titer verification one month after completing the Hepatitis B series.
* **Tuberculin Skin Tests (PPD) or QuantiFERON® TB Gold Test**
  + **Initial Requirement (PPD):**
    - A negative two-step PPD is mandatory. This involves two (2) separate tuberculin skin tests placed one to three weeks apart.
    - Each test must be read 48 to 72 hours after placement, requiring a total of four (4) visits.
    - Documentation must clearly show the dates and results of both tests, along with the lot numbers of the vaccine.
    - **Important:** Do not receive any other vaccinations concurrently with the first PPD.
  + **Positive PPD Result:** If you have a positive PPD, you must provide:
    - Documentation of a chest x-ray.
    - Documentation of treatment (if necessary).
    - A release to work in a healthcare setting from a doctor or healthcare provider.
  + **Annual Renewal (PPD):** Annual tuberculin skin tests are required and must be placed and read within one year following your initial two-step PPD.
  + **QuantiFERON® TB Gold Test:** This method is accepted by WVC in place of the PPD. It does not require a two-step initial test but must be performed annually.
* **Chickenpox (Varicella) Immunization**
  + Provide documentation of two (2) Chickenpox injections, **OR**
  + A positive Varicella titer (blood test confirming immunity).
* **Flu Vaccination**
  + Students are required to be vaccinated each Fall Quarter.
  + The vaccination must be completed by the announced date, or before December 1, depending on vaccine availability and flu season timing.
* **COVID-19 Vaccination**
  + A COVID vaccine booster is recommended and optional.

### Medical Insurance Requirement for Allied Health Programs

To ensure compliance with our facility agreements, students enrolled in allied health programs are required to provide and maintain proof of medical or accident insurance throughout their studies. This coverage is essential to address any unforeseen accidents that may occur at clinical sites. While clinical facilities may offer immediate emergency care or first aid, they are not obligated to provide free medical or surgical treatment. Students are solely responsible for the costs of such care, including any necessary follow-up.

For students without existing insurance coverage, the following options are available (links provided):

* [Washington Apple Health:](https://www.hca.wa.gov/free-or-low-cost-health-care/apple-health-you) This is Washington State's Medicaid program, offering free or low-cost comprehensive health coverage. Eligibility is based on income and other criteria
* [Washington State Colleges Student Accident Only Insurance Plan (Mutual of Omaha):](https://mcas-proxyweb.mcas.ms/certificate-checker?login=false&originalUrl=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.wvc.edu.mcas.ms%2Fstudents%2Fstudent-programs%2Fmedia%2Fdocuments%2FWSC%2520Voluntary%2520Plan%2520Summary%252024.25.pdf%3FMcasTsid%3D20893&McasCSRF=05f74d3a7dfcad67dc6e65dcf56f9e0642fd84deaf272e7026c086f2928fd36e) This plan provides specific coverage for injuries resulting from accidents.

### Other Mandatory Documentation & Certifications

These requirements are in addition to immunizations and are crucial for clinical participation:

* **Negative Drug Screen**
  + Provide results of a standard, ten-panel drug screen (urine-based or oral swab).
  + The test must be dated not more than forty-five (45) days prior to the beginning of your program.
* **CPR For Healthcare Providers**
  + Your CPR card must be issued by a person or facility specifically qualified to instruct CPR for healthcare providers. Acceptable organizations include:
    - American Heart Association
    - American Red Cross
    - WVC Health 051 class
    - American Safety & Health Institute HealthCare Provider
  + **Important:** Online-only classes are **not** acceptable; face-to-face skills testing is required.
  + You must maintain current CPR Certification for Healthcare Providers (Basic Life Support or BLS) for the entire duration of your program attendance.
  + The CPR card must be renewed every two years.
* **Background Checks**
  + **National 7-Year Background Check:**
    - Required for all students accepted into Allied Health programs at WVC.
    - Must be dated not more than forty-five (45) days prior to the beginning of your program.
    - This check is completed through Complio®.
    - **Be Advised:** Washington State law (RCW 43.43.832) allows facilities providing services to children, vulnerable adults, or developmentally disabled persons to request criminal history records. Conviction of certain crimes may prevent you from completing clinical course requirements (thereby preventing program completion) and may also hinder future licensing and employment in the health field.
  + **DSHS Background Check:**
    - ADN Nursing and RN to BSN students will receive specific directions at orientation.