

HEALTH REQUIREMENTS: STUDENTS IN HEALTH- RELATED MAJORS

Students admitted to education and health-related programs that involve contact with patients are required to be immunized against chicken pox, hepatitis B, influenza, measles, mumps, rubella, pertussis, tetanus/diphtheria, and have annual TB screening; some departments have additional immunization and testing requirements. Proof of immunization is required at the time a student begins clinical coursework.

Some clinical facilities and school systems with which the University affiliates require that students be tested for drugs and have criminal background checks done. When this is required, students will have the screening done at their own expense. Departmental policy governs the procedures to be followed. Failure to meet the screening standards may result in the student being required to withdraw from the program.

Clinical facilities may require that students have health insurance. When this is required, students must show proof of health insurance.

Texas Woman's University does not require HIV testing of its students; however, some agencies with which the University affiliates for clinical training may require such testing. Texas law requires that if a health care worker who is HIV positive performs exposure-prone procedures, the health care worker must notify a prospective patient of the health care worker's seropositive status and receive the patient's consent to perform the procedure.