AUA Immunization Form Guidelines

The AUA immunization form is the official medical document utilized by the university to permit all entering medical students to participate in all academic clinical activities.

All medical history must be recorded in each section of the form and officially stamped by a practicing *Health Care Professional (MD/DO/PA/NP)* at the bottom of the form titled *'Physician Details'*

It is the responsibility of all entering medical students to adhere to the medical guidelines below in order to ensure the occupational health safety of all students, staff, faculty, and residents of Antigua.

Tuberculosis Screening

Proof of a PPD test <u>or</u> QuantiFERON-TB Gold blood test are the only accepted forms of testing. Newly performed testing or testing performed within the last **twelve (12)** months prior to the academic start date is acceptable only. For students with a history of positive PPD testing, a chest x-ray <u>or</u> QuantiFERON-TB Gold blood test is required for proof of disease clearance. Newly performed testing or testing performed within the last **twelve (12)** months prior to the academic start date is acceptable only.

Measles/Mumps/Rubella (MMR) Screening

Proof of **two (2)** MMR vaccine doses and Titer values proving positive or reactive immunity. In the event that a student is unable to acquire past medical records of Titer history recorded within the last **ten (10)** years prior to the academic start date, a <u>mandatory</u> MMR Titer test is required to determine the level of immunity. If testing displays low or nonreactive immunity from prior vaccination, a booster MMR vaccine is required for section completion.

Tetanus and Diphtheria Screening

Proof of *six (6)* primary vaccine doses of DTAP or DT. A current Td booster vaccine or Td booster vaccine administered within the last *ten (10)* years prior to the academic start date is acceptable only.

Varicella (Chicken Pox) Screening

Proof of *two (2)* Varicella vaccine doses (or a history of positive exposure to Chicken Pox) and Titer value proving positive or reactive immunity. In the event that a student is unable to acquire past medical records of Titer history recorded within the last *ten (10)* years prior to the academic start date, a *mandatory* Varicella Titer test is required to determine the level of immunity. If testing displays low or nonreactive immunity from prior vaccination or disease exposure, a booster Varicella vaccine is required for section completion.

Hepatitis B Screening

Proof of *three (3)* Hepatitis B vaccine doses and Titer value proving positive or reactive immunity. In the event that a student is unable to acquire past medical records of Titer history recorded within the last *ten (10)* years prior to the academic start date, a *mandatory* Hepatitis B Titer test is required to determine the level of immunity. If testing displays low or nonreactive immunity from prior vaccination, a booster Hepatitis B vaccine is required for section completion.

*******<u>Titer Test</u>: A laboratory blood test performed to detect and measure the level of antibody immunity circulating within the body's bloodstream. The amount of circulating antibodies within the bloodstream correlates to the strength of a body's immune response to a disease process. If testing displays a low or nonreactive immunity, an administration of a booster vaccine is required to boost the body's immune response.