

CENTRAL CAROLINA COMMUNITY COLLEGE POLICY & PROCEDURE MANUAL

Student Services Section

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I. COLLEGE NOT TO REQUIRE VACCINATIONS

Unless otherwise required by this policy, Central Carolina Community College does not require students to be vaccinated against diseases of any kind and a student may be admitted into any program regardless of vaccination status.

II. VACCINATION REQUIREMENTS OF CLINICAL SITES

Certain programs of study and continuing education courses at the College may require the completion of one or more clinical components as part of the technical standards relating to the respective field. Clinical components are held at various clinical facilities, and each facility may have its own vaccination requirements for students who wish to work at the site. Accordingly, if a student cannot meet the clinical component for their program because the student does not meet the vaccination requirements for or is unable to obtain a waiver from a clinical site, the student may be removed from the program or course.

The College shall make reasonable efforts to provide alternate clinical sites or other arrangements for any student who is unable to meet the vaccination or waiver requirements of a particular clinical site in use by the student's program of study. The reasonableness of the extent of such efforts is dependent upon a number of factors, including but not limited to:

- The number of faculty members in the programmatic area,
- The number of students in the program, and
- The number of clinical sites in the College's service area that are willing to provide clinical experiences to students in the program.

Ultimately, it is the student's responsibility to ensure vaccination requirements are met for or that a waiver is approved by each clinical site at which they will be working for their clinical components. In the event that a student requires a waiver of vaccination requirements for a clinical site, College personnel shall assist the student in obtaining a vaccination waiver by providing informational support, but College personnel shall not act as an agent for the student

nor shall they act as an intermediary between the student and the clinical site. It is the student's responsibility to request that the College provide such assistance.

III. RABIES VACCINATION REQUIREMENT FOR VETERINARY MEDICAL TECHNOLOGY STUDENTS

Central Carolina Community College's Veterinary Medical Technology Program shall require proof of having two (2) doses of the pre-exposure Rabies vaccination series. This requirement is to ensure compliance with the standards set out by the national accreditation body for veterinary medical technology programs, the Committee on Veterinary Technician Education and Activities (CVTEA) of the American Veterinary Medical Association.

IV. VACCINATION & WAIVER EXPENSES

Costs associated with vaccinations or obtaining a waiver, whether required by the College or a clinical site, shall be the responsibility of the student. The College shall not in any way be held responsible for the costs associated with vaccinations or obtaining a waiver. The costs associated with vaccinations or obtaining a waiver shall not be included in either the tuition or the fees assessed by the College.

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