



TEXAS SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY

Bacterial Meningitis (ACYW-135) Immunization Requirement

The State of Texas requires all incoming students submit proof of vaccination against Bacterial Meningitis, or an approved exemption, at least 10 days before classes begin. Bacterial Meningitis is a serious, potentially deadly disease that can progress extremely fast. It is an inflammation of the membranes that surround the brain and spinal cord. The bacteria that cause meningitis can also infect the blood. There are 5 primary types of bacteria, ACYW-135 and B that cause meningococcal disease, also known as meningitis. There are different vaccines for each group. There are vaccines that cover ACYW-135, that meet the current state requirement, and there are vaccines for group B meningitis. Although the vaccine that protects against the ACYW-135 strains are currently required, please consult with your healthcare provider about the benefits of both vaccinations.

Submit a vaccination record for bacterial meningitis if you:

- Are 21 years of age and younger *and* are entering TSU for the first time.
- Are 21 years of age and younger *and* returning to TSU after a break in enrollment of one fall/spring semester.
- Plan to live in campus housing.

Here's how to submit your immunization record to Student Health Services.

1. Print out and complete the Immunization Compliance Cover Sheet & Acknowledgement Form.
2. Print out the Vaccine Administration Record and take to your doctor to record the shot.
3. The forms can be found at www.tsu.edu/health
4. **Logon to the "My Tiger Health Patient Portal" at:**

<https://tsu.medicatconnect.com>

5. Follow the instructions on the patient portal to logon and upload your documents.

Remember to upload a copy of your Vaccine Administration Record and the Immunization Compliance Cover Sheet & Acknowledgment Form. You will not be considered compliant until this step has been completed. Send all immunization records directly to Student Health Services.

Your shot record must be legible and no older than 5 years old and must be taken 10 days before classes begin.

All international records must be translated into English.



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Please allow 3 business days to process your immunization record.

Do you have an exemption or waiver?

- Do not submit exemptions or waivers to this portal
- Please go to www.tsu.edu/health or call (713) 313-7173 for instructions on submitting an exemption/waiver.

If you cannot logon to the My Tiger Health Patient Portal, choose from one of the following options to submit your immunization record:

- Fax: (713) 313-7817 or
- Email: vaccines@tsu.edu

If additional assistance is needed, please call Student Health Services at (713) 313-7173.

Stay well,

Student Health Services