Pre-Matriculation Health Requirements for Incoming Students

Dear Applicant:

While we are still in the midst of the admissions season we wanted to take the opportunity to let you know about the health requirements you will need to meet to attend Stritch should you be accepted. Notifying you early will provide ample time for you to complete any of these that will be needed for your foreseeable future. We strongly encourage you to complete these as early as possible. **The deadline for completion of these immunizations for Stritch is July 1, 2021.** In the instance that you matriculate to another medical school, be assured that the health requirements will largely be the same.

You will need to obtain **quantitative IgG AB (antibody) immune titer lab results** (This test MUST show a number—pass/fail results will not be accepted) for the following vaccines to show your immunity. Please note that you need the titers AND the proof you have received the vaccines (with dates).

a. Measles (rubeola) IgG antibody
b. Mumps IgG antibody
c. Rubella IgG antibody
d. Varicella IgG antibody
e. Hepatitis B Surface antibody

If you are **NOT** immune to any of the above viruses or the result is **equivocal**, you will need to have a booster vaccine, then repeat the titer in 4 weeks. Please note that some boosters require a series with waiting periods in between, so we strongly encourage you to begin working on this now. You will also need to show proof of receiving a **TDaP** vaccine received after June 2015. **TD is not acceptable.** You will receive information in April/May with information about how to submit your titer/immunization records.

Additionally, you will need to get a **Quantiferon Gold** (or other IGRA screening test) **no earlier than May 1, 2021 with a negative result**. TB (ppd) skin testing is NOT acceptable. If positive, you will need to provide a chest x-ray with no sign of active TB.

Please note that all SSOM students are required to receive a flu vaccines annually. This is offered at no cost during Flu season. It is not required pre-matriculation.

Do **NOT** complete CPR certification prior to matriculation. SSOM provides certification for all students during orientation week. Even if you have a current CPR certification, you will still be required to attend the class during orientation week.

Sincerely,

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