Students are fully responsible for tracking immunization due dates and obtaining and submitting immunization records when due. Acceptable health records for immunizations include copies of a medical record from a healthcare provider/agency with the student name, immunization given and the date administered. Contact information for the healthcare provider/agency should be evident. Immunizations are not provided by the College of Nursing and Health Sciences. Students should contact the health care provider of their choice to meet this requirement. The student assumes full financial responsibility for the cost of required immunizations or testing.

These records are to be submitted to the Program Coordinator on the Mansfield campus through the electronic tracking system.

**TUBERCULIN SKIN TEST or Interferon Gamma Release Assay (IGRA)**

During the fourth term of enrollment in the Traditional Four-year program, or upon-acceptance/deposit for Transfer, Accelerated or Advanced Entry programs, students are required to complete a two-step tuberculosis skin test (TST/PPD) or Interferon Gamma Release Assay (IGRA). *Note: If the student is a healthcare worker with documentation of negative yearly TST for the last two consecutive years, then only a one step is required.*

Types of TB Testing:

1. **Tuberculin Skin Testing (TST)- Mantoux method**
   a. Initial testing is to be two-step TST

   **Two-step TB-how it works:**
   
   **Visit 1, Day 1:** PPD antigen is applied under the skin  
   **Visit 2, Day 3:** PPD test is read (within 48-72 hrs of placement) or the process will be restarted.  
   If positive, it indicates TB infection and a chest x-ray and further evaluation is necessary.  
   **Visit 3, Day 7-21:** a second PPD skin test is applied (for those that test one was negative)  
   **Visit 4, 48-72 hours after placement:** the second test is read or the process will be restarted.  
   If positive 2nd test indicates TB infection in the distant past.  
   Further evaluation by CXR and/or IGRA testing will be need through their provider.  
   b. A one-step TB to be done annually thereafter. See Visit 1 and Visit 2 under 1.a. for process.  
   c. Pregnancy is not a reason to defer TST.  
   d. All results and recommendations of the healthcare provider must be submitted to the Program Coordinator’s office through uploading to the electronic tracking system.

   Verification of result is to include date placed, date read, and result indicated in actual millimeter of induration with positive/negative notation. If a positive result is read then student must have a chest x-ray and Interferon Gamma Release Assay. The results and recommendations of the healthcare provider must be submitted to the Program Coordinator’s office through uploading to the electronic tracking system. Interferon Gamma Release Assays will be required annually thereafter for these individuals.

2. **Interferon Gamma Release Assay (IGRA, blood test)**
   a. For those who have a history receiving the BCG Vaccine  
   b. For those who have a history of positive TST and should not have further TSTs placed.  
   c. Students with an equivocal or indeterminate result for IGRA testing will have repeat testing done.  
      i. If the repeat test result is equivocal or indeterminate, the individual will be required to seek treatment from their provider and submit are treated as positive for IGRA by their provider.  
   d. **IGRA testing should not be ordered for 4 to 6 weeks after administration of live-virus vaccines if it is not drawn the same day as the live vaccine.**  
   e. IGRA testing will be required annually.  
   f. All results and recommendations of the healthcare provider must be submitted to the Program Coordinator’s office through uploading to the electronic tracking system.