## **VACCINATION POLICY**

## N.J. Stat. § 18A:61D-1. Immunization Record

"Every public and independent institution of higher education in this State shall, as a condition of admission or continued enrollment, require every graduate and undergraduate student who is 30 years of age or less and is enrolled full-time or part-time in a program or course of study leading to an academic degree, to submit to the institution a valid immunization record which documents the administration of all required immunizations against vaccine-preventable disease, or evidence of immunity from these diseases, in accordance with regulations promulgated by the Department of Health. The institution shall keep the records on file in such form and manner as prescribed by the department."

## N.J. Stat. § 18A:61D-9. Hepatitis B Vaccination

ESATM is committed to protecting the health and well-being of its students, faculty and staff. We recognize that even with adherence to exposure prevention practices, accidents and exposure incidents can occur. As a result, we have implemented a Vaccination Policy to educate and protect our students, faculty and staff from exposure to bloodborne pathogens.

## A. Hepatitis B Vaccination and Waiver

In an effort to protect against exposure to Hepatitis B, The Eastern School of Acupuncture recommends that all students, faculty and staff receive the Hepatitis B vaccination. As part of their bloodborne pathogen training, all students, faculty and staff have received information regarding the Hepatitis B vaccination, including its efficiency and side effects.

It is policy that every student, faculty and staff member signs a Hepatitis B waiver, which is placed in his/her file. If the vaccination is obtained, that record will replace the waiver in the respective file.

The Vaccination Policy is thoroughly discussed in the Eastern School of Acupuncture and Traditional Medicine's annual OSHA/HIPAA training sessions, which are administered each trimester.