

Vaccination Policy

The Eastern School of Acupuncture and Traditional Medicine 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. Master's Program Students 30 Years of Age and Under

Per New Jersey Code 18A:61D-1, every graduate student who is 30 years old or under and is enrolled full- or part-time in a degree program must submit 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 stated by the Department of Health. Upon admission, you are required to provide a valid immunization record for the following vaccinations:

- Tetanus, Diphtheria, and Pertussis (DTap or DTP)
- Measles, Mumps and Rubella (MMR)
- Meningococcal
- Varicella
- Screening for Tuberculosis

B. 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.