

Table 1. Standards that health professions students must meet before clinical placements

Standard	Timing	Notes
Immunizations (documented receipt of vaccine or documented immunity via titer or valid history of disease, or via a record from the Oregon ALERT Immunization Information System)		
Hepatitis B (Hep B)	Per CDC guidelines ¹ – follow child and adolescent schedules for students 0-18 years of age; follow health care professional schedule for students greater than or equal to 18 years of age. ²	
Measles, mumps and rubella (MMR)		
Tetanus, diphtheria, pertussis (Tdap)		
Varicella		
<i>Recommended but not required</i> – Polio		CDC recommends for healthcare workers treating patients who could have polio or have close contact with a person who could be infected with poliovirus. ³
<i>Recommended but not required</i> -- Influenza (seasonal flu)	Follow state law requirements ⁴ /recommend mask or other precaution if not immunized.	
Screenings		
Tuberculosis (TB)	Prior to initial placement; an initial risk assessment must be completed, after that only in case of known exposure.	Test should be in accordance with CDC guidelines. ⁵
Substance Abuse - 10-panel drug screen	Prior to initial placement; but no more than three months before entry into a training program; subsequent screens only for cause or at re-entry into a program after falling out of progression.	School/training program is responsible for verifying that screening is performed by a reputable vendor

¹The full list of CDC guidelines can be found at: <http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/schedules/index.html>

² The CDC guidelines for recommended vaccinations for healthcare professionals can be found at: <https://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/rr6007a1.htm>

³ Explanation of CDC recommendations can be found at: <http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/vpd-vac/polio/in-short-both.htm#who>

⁴ Currently, Oregon law (ORS 433.407 and 433.416) states that facilities employing healthcare workers must offer flu vaccine but may not require employees to be immunized unless a state or federal rule requires it.

⁵ <http://www.cdc.gov/tb/topic/testing/>

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Criminal Background Check (including Social Security Number trace, state/national criminal background history, sex offender registry check, and OIG LEIE check)	Prior to initial placement; but no more than three months before entry into a training program; subsequent screens only for cause or at re-entry into a program after falling out of progression.	Elements of check should be standardized and check should be performed by a reputable vendor (per OAR 409-030-0220)
Training		
CPR/Basic Life Support (BLS) for healthcare providers	Prior to initial placement; maintain current certification during placement	Recommend trainings that comply with the American Heart Association standards
Bloodborne Pathogen training (OSHA)	Prior to initial placement	
OSHA recommended safety guidelines (including fire and electrical safety; personal protective equipment; hazard communications; and infection prevention practices).	Prior to initial placement	Schools must verify student familiarity or exposure to topics
<i>Site-specific</i> privacy and confidentiality practices	With <i>each</i> placement	May include review of clinical site policies and procedures, phone numbers, and emergency codes, signing a non-disclosure agreement, etc.
<i>Site-specific</i> orientation (facility-specific protocols for safety, security, standards of behavior, etc.)		
Insurance and Liability Coverage and Other Standards		
Professional liability insurance	Prior to initial placement	If student is covered by school, school can provide written statement and documentation of insurance or self-insurance
General liability insurance		If student is covered by school, school can provide written statement and documentation of insurance or self-insurance
<i>Recommended but not required</i> --Current health insurance (or coverage via Workers' Compensation insurance extended to students by school)		Coverage must protect student against on the job accidents, illness, or injury.