

STUDENT HEALTH SERVICES

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703-993-2831

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703-993-8374

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Arlington Campus
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Website: shs.gmu.edu

Student Health Services provides easily accessible and affordable health care to all enrolled students in a caring and confidential environment.

Immunization Requirements

Student Health Services is responsible for collecting and maintaining students' immunization records. **All new, incoming students** are required to submit the immunization record form. Students born after December 31, 1956, must provide documented proof that they have been immunized against certain communicable diseases. Students born before December 31, 1956 are only required to complete the Tuberculosis screening section. Students must submit completed immunization records to the Immunization Office by the deadlines below.

Incoming Summer/Fall Students	October 1 Deadline
Incoming Spring Students	March 1 Deadline

A **late fee** is charged and a hold is placed on the student's Patriot Web account for immunization records that are turned in after the deadline or that are incomplete after the deadline.

Immunization requirements are mandated by the Commonwealth of Virginia and George Mason University policy #6004 (<http://universitypolicy.gmu.edu/policies/immunization-policy>).

Required Immunizations

Tuberculosis: Tuberculosis (TB) screening is required for all students. If TB testing is needed it must be completed within the past 6 months.

TD/Tdap: Tetanus and diphtheria or Tetanus/diphtheria/Acellular Pertussis vaccination within the past 10 years.

MMR: Two doses each of measles, mumps, rubella, after 1967 OR the combination MMR (after 1971), OR a laboratory report of a titer documenting positive immunity to each of the diseases.

Hepatitis B: Students are required to submit proof of vaccination against Hepatitis B disease OR they must sign a waiver stating that they have reviewed information on Hepatitis B disease and the availability and effectiveness of the vaccine but have chosen not to be vaccinated. Student Health Services highly recommends this vaccination series.

Meningococcal: Students must receive the Meningococcal Conjugate vaccine between the ages of 16-21 OR submit a signed waiver that they have reviewed information on Meningococcal disease and the availability and effectiveness of the vaccine but have chosen not to be vaccinated. If the student received the vaccine before age 16, a booster

dose is required. Student Health highly recommends students living on campus or participating in sports receive this vaccine.

The immunization record form can be found on the Student Health Services website (<http://shs.gmu.edu/immunizations>) or obtained at the Immunization Office. Students must have their healthcare provider fill out the immunization record form and sign it or students must fill out the form and provide accepted proof of immunization. Immunization records should be in English.

Immunization Submission

Submit records to the Immunization Office by fax, mail, in-person, or email. Submission details are on the immunization record form.

Office location:
SUB 1, Room 2349

Mailing Address:
George Mason University Student Health Services
4400 University Drive, MS 2D3
Fairfax, Virginia 22030

Fax:
703-993-4053

Email:
immunize@gmu.edu (immunize@gmu.edu) (pdf attachment only)

Students are responsible for ensuring immunization records are submitted and complete by the deadline. Students are notified about incomplete or missing immunization requirements through their Mason email account.

Contact the Immunization Office (<http://shs.gmu.edu/immunizations>) for questions about immunization requirements, submission, or vaccine prices. Call (703-993-2135) or walk-in to the Immunization Office to schedule an appointment for immunizations at Student Health Services.

Minor Consent

A parent/legal representative signature is required for a minor (a student under age 18 at the time classes begin). A minor consent must be on file at Student Health Services to receive most health services. This minor consent is on the immunization record form. If a minor student chooses to sign the hepatitis B or meningococcal waiver on the immunization record form, a parent/legal representative signature is also required.

Student Health Services

Student Health is staffed by dedicated doctors, nurse practitioners, and nurses who provide diagnosis and treatment of illness and minor injuries and health and wellness counseling for all enrolled students. Clinics on the Fairfax, Arlington, and Science and Technology campuses offer a wide variety of services (<http://shs.gmu.edu/services>) to keep the Mason community healthy.

There is no charge to be seen by a healthcare provider. There are fees for supplies, immunizations, lab testing, medications and procedures. Call to schedule an appointment for routine or non-urgent services. If Student Health Services is closed, call 703-993-2831 to speak with the free nurse advice service.

Student Health Insurance Plan

Aetna Student Health administers the student health insurance plan which is available to eligible undergraduate and graduate students who would like to purchase health insurance. F-1 and J-1 Visa students are required under University Policy #6002 (<https://universitypolicy.gmu.edu/policies/health-insurance-requirement-for-international-f-1-and-j-1-visa-students>) to have health insurance. Details about the plan are online (<http://shs.gmu.edu/insurance>).