
Name

Student ID Number

Phone Number

About this form:

*Tuberculosis, also known as TB, is a bacterial infection that attacks the lungs and sometimes other parts of the body. It is spread when someone infected with the disease coughs or sneezes and the bacteria is inhaled by someone nearby.

* Cowley College requires **ALL** students to complete a tuberculosis screening questionnaire, per Kansas Statute #65-129e.

*Please return to: Health Services Coordinator.

Please Complete the following questions by putting an X next to Yes or No.

1. Have you ever had a positive TB test?	Yes	No
2. Have you ever had the BCG vaccine which is given to prevent TB.	Yes	No
3. Have you ever had close contact with someone who was sick with TB?	Yes	No
4. Were you born in a country other than those listed below?	Yes	No
5. Have you ever traveled to and/or resided in a country for more than three months which is not listed below? If yes please write the country or countries in the blank space.	Yes	No

***If the answer is yes to any of the questions above, Cowley College requires evaluation by a health care provider.**

List of Exempt/ Low Incidence/ TB Countries **

Albania	Dominica	New Zealand
American Samoa	Fuji	Norway
Andorra	Finland	Saint Kitts & Nevis
Antigua & Barbuda	France	Saint Lucia
Australia	Germany	Samoa
Austria	Greece	Slovakia
Bahamas	Grenada	Slovenia
Barbados	Hungary	Spain
Belgium	Iceland	Sweden
British Virgin Islands	Ireland	Switzerland
Canada	Italy	Turks & Caicos Island
Chile	Jamaica	Great Britian & North Ireland
Costa Rica	Luxembourg	United States Virgin Islands
Cyprus	Malta	United States of America
Czech Republic	Nauru	Wallis & Funtana Islands
Denmark	Netherlands	

**** Students from countries other than those listed above are required to have a TB test.**

I understand further testing may be required before attending class at Cowley College. If testing is required I will be responsible for the cost. The information provided in this form is correct to the best of my knowledge.

I understand that by placing my student ID number in the provided space below validates my e-signature.

Signature of student

Date

Student ID Number

Signature of Legal Guardian if student is not 18 years old

Date

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Mandatory Meningococcal Vaccine Tracking

In accordance with Kansas State Law HB-2752

Under Kansas State Law (HB 2752), students enrolled at Cowley County Community College and residing in campus housing are **required** to provide written proof of documentation of meningitis vaccination **or** decline the vaccin in writing. If the student is under the age of 18, parents or legal guardians must sign the declination form. **Students who do not comply will be placed on administrative hold until compliance is documented with the Coordinator of Health Services. Students on administrative hold will be unable to enroll for classes the following semester until compliance is documented and the hold is released by the Coordinator of Health Services.**

Student Name: _____

DOB: _____

Please read the attached information about meningitis before signing this section.

COMPLETE SECTION 1 OR SECTION TWO

SECTION ONE - YOU HAVE RECEIVED THE VACCINE.

I have received the miningococcal vaccine on _____ .
(Month/Day/Year)

Attached is a copy of my immunization or health record documenting the date of the vaccination.

I understand that by placing my student ID number in the provided space below validates my e-signature.

Signature of student

Date

Student ID Number

SECTION TWO - YOU HAVE NOT RECEIVED OR CHOOSE NOT TO RECEIVE THE VACCINE.

Vaccine Waiver

For students 18 years of age or older:

I am 18 years of age or older. I have received and read the information provided aon the risks of meningococcal disease. I understand the vaccine is available through my private healthcare provider and local health department. Currently, I choose not to receive the vaccine, although at my discretion, I may choose to do so at some time in the future.

I understand that by placing my student ID number in the provided space below validates my e-signature.

Signature of student

Date

Student ID Number

For students under the age of 18:

I am the parent or guardian of (student name) _____ who will be attending Cowley College. I have recived and read the information about meningitis. I also understand the vaccine is available at the health dept or private physician's office. Currently, my student choosed not to receive the vaccine by may do so at some time in the future.

Print name of Parent/Guardian: _____ Date: _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____

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Meningitis Health Information Facts, Policy and Waiver Information

What is meningococcal meningitis?

Meningitis is an infection of the fluid of a person's spinal cord and the fluid that surrounds the brain. Meningococcal disease is rare, but life threatening. The illness is caused by the bacterium(germ), Neisseria meningitides. The infection is severe and can lead to permanent disabilities, such as hearing loss, brain damage, seizures, limb amputation and even death.

How is the germ that causes this type of meningitis spread?

Meningococcal meningitis is spread through the air via respiratory secretions or close contact with an infected person. This can include coughing, sneezing, kissing, or sharing items such as utensils, cigarettes and drinking glasses.

What are the symptoms?

Early symptoms of meningococcal meningitis resemble the flu. These symptoms may include high fever, severe headache, nausea and vomiting, stiffness and pain in the neck, shoulders and back, lethargy, confusion and a rash on the skin consisting of small bright red spots.

Who is at risk?

Anyone can get meningococcal meningitis. However, it is more common in college students, age 18 to 23, particularly those living in campus housing. About 2,600 people get meningococcal disease each year in the U. S. 10-15% of these people die, in spite of treatment with antibiotics. Of those who live, another 10% lose their arms or legs, become deaf, have problems with their nervous systems, become mentally retarded, or suffer seizures or strokes. Up to 25% of patients who recover may have permanent damage to the nervous system.

How soon do the symptoms appear?

Symptoms occur within 2-10 days after the person has been exposed, but usually within 5 days.

What is the treatment for meningococcal meningitis?

Certain antibiotics are very effective in eliminating the germ from the nose and throat. Penicillin is the drug of choice for bacterial meningitis.

Should people who have been in contact with a diagnosed case of meningococcal meningitis be treated?

Only people who have been in close contact (household members, intimate contacts, health care personnel performing mouth-to-mouth resuscitation, day care center play-mates) need to be considered for preventive treatment. Casual contact as might occur in a regular classroom, office or factory setting is not usually significant enough to cause concern. People who think they have been exposed to meningococcal infection should contact their healthcare provider to discuss whether they should receive preventive treatment.

Is there a vaccine to prevent meningococcal meningitis?

Presently, there are two vaccines that will offer protection against several of the strains of bacteria that cause meningococcal disease. These two vaccines are called Menomune and Menactra.

How can I get a vaccination?

A student's local healthcare provider and local health department stocks the vaccine. **It is strongly urged that students receive the vaccination before coming to Cowley College in the fall.** Students 18 and under, qualify for government programs that allow for reduced fees (approximately \$10.00/dose) at your local health department. Students 19 and over are charged \$100.00 per one shot. Please return form with vaccine info. Or waiver signed.

Where can I obtain more information?

Health care provider, Local Health Dept., Coordinator of Health Services: lea.newman@cowley.edu, Phone 620-441-5236, Center for Disease Control (CDC) : www.cdc.gov , American College Health Association: www.acha.org/