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P09.11.010. Immunizations and Tests for Communicable Diseases.

- A. The university will encourage its students to undertake immunization and testing for communicable diseases by making available on its campuses information regarding the benefits and risks of such immunization and testing, and where immunizations and testing are available.
- B. To be eligible for living in high density student residence facilities, all students and other persons born after 1956 must furnish 1) proof of immunization against or immunity for measles, mumps, rubella, diphtheria and tetanus in accordance with university regulation; and 2) evidence of the absence of tuberculosis. The chancellor will designate the facilities that are to be considered high density residences for the purposes of this subsection.
- C. Additional or expanded immunization and testing may be required when the president or designee determines the protection afforded to the health and safety of the university community so warrants.
- D. Pursuant to Sec. 14.48.165 of the Alaska Statutes the university shall provide information about meningococcal disease and meningococcal vaccine to all students who intend to reside in campus housing and require that students sign a form indicating that they have either been vaccinated against meningococcal disease or have received information about it.
- E. Students or other persons may be granted an exemption from one or more of the specified immunization requirements based on medical or religious reasons in accordance with university regulation. The chancellor may also grant general exemptions to classifications of occupants who will occupy student residence facilities less than a semester's duration. Those persons exempted from immunization or testing for a disease may be removed from student residence facilities should an outbreak of that disease occur or threaten to occur.
- F. Nothing in this section is intended to impose liability upon the university for damages resulting from immunization or testing, or the lack of immunization or testing, of any student or other person, as required by this policy.
- G. Procedures for implementation and enforcement of P09.11.010, including grace periods, shall be established in the rules and procedures of each university.

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P09.11.020. Health and Counseling Services and Fees; Health Insurance.

- A. The university will make health and counseling services and health insurance available to its students, taking into consideration student needs and the limits of university facilities, resources and personnel.
- B. The level of service and associated fees will be determined by a chancellor and may vary among the campuses. Fees will be based on the cost of the service being provided.
- C. A chancellor may make possession of health insurance mandatory for certain categories of students.
- D. A chancellor may make insurance against trip cancellation, medical evacuation, and repatriation of remains mandatory for students enrolling in national and international exchange and study abroad programs and for international students attending the university.

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A. Information on Benefits of Immunization and Testing

Chancellors will establish procedures to inform students regarding the benefits of immunization and testing for communicable diseases and to encourage students to undertake appropriate immunizations and tests. Such information will include guidelines and recommendations published by public health agencies such as the Center for Disease Control and Prevention, the National Coalition for Adult Immunization, and the American College Health Association; and the locations for obtaining immunizations and tests.

B. Mandatory Immunizations and Tests

To be eligible for living in high density student residence facilities, evidence must be provided of immunization or testing as specified below against the following diseases.

1. Measles

Immunization by:

- a. two doses of live measles virus vaccine, the first dose administered on or after the age of 12 months and the second dose administered more than 30 days after the first dose; or
- b. two doses of measles, mumps, rubella (MMR) vaccine, the first dose administered on or after the age of 12 months and the second dose administered more than 30 days after the first dose; or
- c. documentation of having been diagnosed by a physician as having had measles disease; or
- d. demonstrated serological evidence of measles antibodies.

2. Mumps

If not covered by a measles, mumps, rubella (MMR) vaccine series, immunization by:

- a. at least one dose of live mumps virus vaccine administered on or after the age of 12 months; or

- b. documentation of having been diagnosed by a physician as having had mumps disease; or
- c. demonstrated serological evidence of mumps antibodies.

3. Rubella

If not covered by a measles, mumps, rubella (MMR) vaccine series, immunization by:

- a. at least one dose of live rubella virus vaccine administered on or after the age of 12 months; or
- b. demonstrated serological evidence of rubella antibodies.

4. Diphtheria and Tetanus

Any combination of three or more doses of either diphtheria and tetanus (pediatric DT) and/or tetanus and diphtheria (adult Td) vaccine, with:

- a. the most recent dose having been received within 10 years prior to first living in the student residence facility; and
- b. a minimum time interval between the first and second dose of at least four weeks; and
- c. the third or last dose having been received at least six months after the second or previous dose of the basic series.

5. Tuberculosis

A negative tuberculin skin test or chest x-ray.

C. Exemptions

Exemption from one or more of the immunization or testing requirements specified in policy may be granted to a student or other person based on one of the following:

- 1. a written statement from a physician that the immunization may be detrimental to the health of the person; or
- 2. a written statement by the person (or the parent or guardian, if the person is a minor) detailing the objection to immunization on the ground that immunization conflicts with the tenet and practices of a recognized church or religious organization of which the person is an adherent or member; or

3. stipulation in MAU rules and procedures regarding the exemption of certain classifications of occupants, such as attendees of short conferences, who will occupy student residence facilities less than a semester's duration.

D. Implementation and Enforcement

Procedures for implementation and enforcement of this policy, including grace periods, will be set forth in MAU rules and procedures.

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