Immunization FAQ's for New International Students

- 1. What are the <u>immunization requirements</u> for international students? You are required to submit proof of two doses of the MMR (measles, mumps) vaccine and Varicella (chicken pox) vaccine, or obtain titers (blood test) to verify immunity to measles or mumps and to chickenpox. In addition, please submit a proof of Tuberculosis Screening. You are required to submit a laboratory report of negative Quantiferon or Tspot blood test completed in the U.S. or Canada within 6 months of your first semester at USC. Immunization translations in three languages are available.
- 2. Where can I upload my immunization records?

 Log in to MySHR, the online student health portal. Find Immunizations tab from the menu on the left-hand side.
- **3.** Can I complete the requirements at USC Student Health Center? Yes, you can drop in during <u>clinic hours</u> or make an immunization appointment on MySHR.
 - 4. If I had Chicken Pox as a child, does that mean I've met the Varicella requirement?

No, even if you had Chicken Pox as a child, you still need to get a blood test to prove immunity.

5. If I had a TB test in my home country does that mean I am cleared for the TB screening?

No, we require ALL international students to submit a laboratory report of negative Quantiferon or Tspot blood test completed in the United States or Canada within 6 months of your first semester at USC.

- **6.** If I lost my record of the TB screening, where can I get a Tspot blood test? The USC Student Health Center at both <u>campus locations</u> offer Tspot blood test. Drop in during the <u>operational hours</u> or make an appointment on MySHR.
- 7. Is there a deadline for completing the immunization requirements? Yes, all new students are required to submit their documentation by Friday, September 13, 2019. However, due to high volume of immunizations' requests, USC Student Health Services are currently at capacity for immunization completion, so we are extending the deadline. Please check your email to stay informed on the new deadline.
 - 8. What if I past the deadline for the requirements?

Failure to complete the requirements by the deadline will result in late fees or registration hold for the spring 2020 semester.

Useful Link: Immunization Checklist | Contact: 213-740-9355 studenthealth@usc.edu