

# Memo for Schulich Dentistry Students

## COVID Vaccination and Other Vaccines /Tuberculosis (TB) Skin Tests

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### **Important message for students about COVID-19 vaccinations and other vaccines/tuberculosis (TB) skin tests:**

Students in the ITD and DDS program are strongly encouraged to obtain their complete series of COVID-19 vaccinations. The current guidelines are that students need to **wait 28 days after having their COVID-19 vaccine before they can receive other vaccines or have a TB skin test**. They also need to **wait 14 days after getting any vaccine before getting a COVID-19 vaccine**.

#### **ANNUAL HEALTH CLEARANCE DEADLINES:**

**August 16, 2021 -for All Dents students except for ITD Class of 2024**

**September 15, 2021-** for ITD 2024 Class

#### **For Preclinical Learners**

The Schulich School of Dentistry encourages all preclinical students to meet their health requirements as outlined on the annual [requirements checklist](#) in the order recommended by their family physician. We strongly encourage vaccination for COVID-19 and understand that for some students, this may result in a delay in meeting the Health Clearance Deadlines. While we encourage all to work toward meeting the deadline, please know that we will allow some flexibility because of the delays required to receive this new vaccine. It is important to note that students in Year 1 and 2 must have passed their Verified appointment to participate in learning opportunities in clinical settings.

#### **For Dental Students Entering Years 3 and 4 - Clinical**

The Schulich School of Dentistry encourages all clinical students to complete their COVID vaccinations as soon as possible, even if doing so does require a delay in obtaining the required Tuberculosis skin tests or other booster vaccinations as outlined on the annual [requirements checklist](#).

We understand that prioritizing your COVID vaccination may mean that some may not be able to meet the Health Clearance deadline. While we encourage all to work toward meeting the deadline, please know that we will allow some flexibility because of the delays required to receive this new vaccine.

**I've missed the Deadline—What will happen?**

Following the deadline for your cohort, the School will run a report to see who has not completed their Verified appointment with Synergy. Students who have not met the deadline will be asked to provide updated information to indicate their plans and estimated date by which this requirement will be met. Students will be permitted to begin their school year with an expectation that the annual clearance requirements will be met as soon as possible after the deadline.