

YEARLY CLEARANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR CLINICAL PARTICIPATION

SCHULICH MEDICINE: MDPHD Students

The following requirements are informed by the policies determined by the Council of Ontario Faculties of Medicine and Schulich Medicine on Immunization and Blood Borne Viruses.

Note that ANY documentation expiring before April 1, 2027 must be renewed. Documentation is expected to be valid until at least April 1, 2027.

All students must have completed their ERV appointment with Synergy Gateway Verified and obtained a status of PASS by the following dates:

Dec 1, 2026

MDPHD-ENTERING STUDENT REQUIREMENTS (if beginning with PHD studies first)	
Please refer to the posted Q & A document if you have any questions.	COMPLETED & DOCUMENTATION UPLOADED
<p>Tuberculosis (Mantoux) – 2 Step TST (+ 1-Step TST if required)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Documented proof of a 2-step TB Skin Test (TST) • Documented proof of a current 1-Step TST if 2 Step TST was done more than 12 months ago • If either TST is positive, the student will be required to seek medical follow-up and provide documentation of chest x-ray. <i>Chest x-ray documentation is valid for 5 years from the date of issue.</i> • <i>Documentation must remain current. If TST or X-ray is due to expire before the end of academic year, it is advised to obtain new documentation. Otherwise the student will need to obtain new documentation mid-year and pay additional clearance fees</i> 	
<p>Varicella</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A positive serologic test for the antibody, OR • Documented proof of 2 vaccinations. 	
<p>Pertussis</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Documented proof of vaccination. <p><i>Vaccination must have occurred after the age of 18 <u>AND within the past 10 years.</u></i></p>	
<p>Measles, Mumps, Rubella (MMR)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A positive serologic test for antibody, OR • Documented proof of vaccination <p><i>NOTE: Two doses of measles and mumps vaccine and one dose of rubella are required</i></p>	
<p>Tetanus/Diphtheria</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proof of primary series of vaccines. 	

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proof of booster shot if primary series was completed more than 10 years ago. Note last booster must have been administered within the last 10 years. 	
<p>Polio</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students are required to provide documentation of a complete series of polio vaccine. 	
<p>Hepatitis B –EACH OF THE BELOW REQUIRED:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proof of primary series of Hepatitis B vaccines • Surface Antibody Level (Anti – HBs)- test for immunity* • Surface Antigen Serology (HBSAg)-test for infection <p><i>*if immunity is not shown an additional primary series & antibody test will be required. Students going through a second series can upload documentation of the first series, documentation of the first antibody/antigen serology and documentation of their second series that is in progress. Students can be allowed to conditionally pass an ERV appointment in their first year if a vaccination series is underway.</i></p>	
<p>Hepatitis C</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Blood test required (titre) within 6 months of start of school year. Documentation should include date of test and results (reactive/non-reactive). 	
<p>Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Blood test required (titre) within 6 months of start of school year. Documentation should include date of test and results (reactive/non-reactive). 	
<p>Influenza Annual vaccination recommended.</p> <p>Documentation of vaccination or attestation form must be uploaded to Synergy Gateway Verified by December 1.</p> <p>Note: SEASONAL INFLUENZA VACCINATION IS NOT A REQUIREMENT FOR THE ANNUAL CLEARANCE APPOINTMENT (ERV)--students can upload this documentation at any time that immunizations are completed. Instructions for uploading documentation or attestation are posted on the Learner Experience Office website.</p>	
<p>COVID-19 Annual vaccination recommended.</p> <p>Documentation of vaccination or attestation form must be uploaded to Synergy Gateway Verified by December 1.</p> <p>Note: SEASONAL COVID VACCINATION IS NOT A REQUIREMENT FOR THE ANNUAL CLEARANCE APPOINTMENT (ERV)--students can upload this documentation at any time that immunizations are completed. Instructions for uploading documentation or attestation form are posted on the Learner Experience Office website.</p>	

NON-MEDICAL REQUIREMENTS <i>Students with certifications expiring during the academic year must renew (before expiry) and provide updated documentation to Synergy Verified to continue to be eligible for clinical placement. This will require an additional appointment, for which there is a fee.</i>	COMPLETED & DOCUMENTATION UPLOADED
Standard First Aid Must possess valid certification for duration of medical school. Students must upload documentation of certification. <i>Online Standard First Aid courses are permitted.</i> <i>Must be valid for the entire duration of each academic year.</i>	
CPR Level C (CPR-C) Students must upload documentation of certification. <i>Notes:</i> <i>1. Online CPR-C courses are permitted.</i> <i>2. CPR-HCP or BLS meet this requirement</i> <i>3. Students will be asked to renew this requirement every three years; must be valid for the entire duration of each academic year.</i>	
Police Record Check with Vulnerable Sector Screen <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A copy of a police record check with vulnerable sector screen valid for the 2025-26 school year must be supplied to the Admissions Office <u>as a condition of admission.</u> • A police check is considered expired after 1 year from the date of issue <i>Please note that only first year students are required to submit their VSS to the Admissions Office—all other years must upload to the Synergy Verified Platform</i>	

Upper Year MD PHD Students (MDPHDs who have previously uploaded all documentation and previously passed an ERV appointment based on all requirements as listed above for Entering MDPHD Students):

Please note that all documentation meeting the MDPHD-Entering Student Requirements must have been previously supplied AND students must have received a notation of "PASS" on their previous year's appointment with Synergy. To determine this, students must log in to their account in Synergy Gateway's Verified system and check what has been written for them under the Communications tab. If documentation is missing or follow-up is required, you will see a notation. Please ensure you have all required documentation uploaded before your scheduled appointment to avoid extra charges.

If all required documentation has not been provided, a status of “FAIL” will be assigned to your file and you will not be permitted to engage in clinical activities until you have obtained the required documentation, have booked a follow up appointment, and paid the required fee.

MDPHD-RETURNING STUDENT REQUIREMENTS	
MEDICAL REQUIREMENTS	COMPLETED & DOCUMENTATION UPLOADED
<p>Tuberculosis (Mantoux) – 1-Step TST</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1-step TST required annually. If TST is positive, the student will require medical follow-up with chest x-ray. Chest x-ray must have been completed within past 5 years. • Documentation must remain current. If TST or X-ray is due to expire before the end of academic year note it is advised to obtain new documentation. Otherwise learner will need to obtain new documentation mid-year and pay additional clearance fees <p><i>*If a student has previously submitted an x-ray report to meet this requirement, x-ray documentation is valid for 5 years from the date of issue.</i></p>	
<p>Tetanus/Diphtheria</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proof of primary series of vaccines. • Proof of booster shot if primary series was completed more than 10 years ago. <p><i>Note: last booster must have been administered within the last 10 years.</i></p>	
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<p>Criminal Record Disclosure Form</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A signed copy of an updated criminal record disclosure form for the 2025-26 school year must be uploaded to the Synergy Verified platform. • A copy of this form is available through the Learner Experience Office website. 	

Failure to adhere to the requirement deadlines will result in a hold on your clinical privileges. You will not be able to participate in OCLOs until this is complete.

Have an issue accessing your ERV account or have a question about the assessment of your documentation?

Please submit a helpdesk ticket through the Synergy Platform: www.Synergyhelps.com
 Help Desk hours are Monday to Friday, 10am – 3pm Eastern Standard Time, excluding holidays.

Other questions?:

Please contact Learner Experience:
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