

Immunization Policy

Purpose:

Universidad Ana G. Méndez and the university centers establish this policy in compliance with the Higher Education Opportunity Act: Consumer Information; Information and Dissemination Activities- HEOA, section 488(a) which requires institutions participating in financial aid programs to publish the immunization policy.

This policy is governed by the requirements of the Department of Health of Puerto Rico which are determined in Law Number 25 on Immunization approved on September 25, 1983.

Applicability:

The Immunization Policy applies to all new and transfer students up to 21 years of age admitted to Universidad Ana G University Méndez, university centers.

Procedure:

The Admissions and Recruitment Advisor will guide the student on the immunization certificate requirement as this document is part of the admission requirements. The student must submit to the Admissions Office in original his vaccination history (Form P-VAC-3- green paper).

The Office of Admissions digitizes the original Immunization Certificate, which in turn is received at the Office of Health Services. This office performs the corresponding analysis of the doses and carries out the evaluation and registration process on the website of the Department of Health. If the student does not have the doses

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required, the Office of Health Services will inform the student of the missing doses and ask to resubmit the original Immunization Certificate.

Exemptions to vaccination for religious and medical reasons must be submitted to the Institution by means of an affidavit to be enrolled. The affidavit must indicate the name of the religion/sect and must be signed by the parent/legal guardian and the minister of religion. The certification requesting medical exemption must be signed by a doctor authorized to practice the profession in Puerto Rico and must indicate the specific reason and possible duration of the contraindicated conditions or circumstances or of one or more of the required vaccinations.

Sanctions:

All new students entering and transferring students up to 21 years of age admitted and enrolled in Universidad Ana G. Méndez and university centers must submit the original valid Immunization Certificate. If the student does not comply with this document, they will not be able to register for their next semester.

Amendments:

This policy may be amended according to changes issued by the Federal Department of Education and the Puerto Rico Department of Health. The required doses may vary by school year, so this vaccination policy will accommodate the doses established by the Department of Health at the time of admission of the student.

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