

## **CVM Students -- Rabies and Tetanus/Diphtheria Vaccines and TB Testing**

MSU Occupational Health, within the University Physicians Office, has the responsibility for monitoring the Veterinary students for Tuberculosis (TB) and required vaccines during their experience at Michigan State University. The University requires this monitoring. Paula S. Guss R.N. is the contact person in the University Physician's Office.

Required information will be kept in a web-based database. You will be able to view and print this information. The information will be available to you for at least two years after you graduate. The web address is [www.hcpimmunize.msu.edu](http://www.hcpimmunize.msu.edu).

### **Required TB Monitoring**

This consists of two TB tests and readings- one prior to starting clinical rotations and one just before graduation. This is to assess if you have been exposed to TB during your clinical experience. Individuals that have reactive TB tests will be monitored by symptom questionnaire.

MSU Occupational Health will be responsible for the record keeping. TB tests will be offered at a cost of \$10 through MSU Occupational Health. For your convenience, TB monitoring will be offered on site on site. You may opt to have TB testing done at a different site and submit documentation to MSU Occupational Health.

### **Tetanus/Diphtheria Vaccine**

Documentation of your most recent (within 10 years) Tetanus/Diphtheria vaccine must be provided to MSU Occupational Health prior to starting clinical rotations. For your convenience, Tetanus/Diphtheria vaccine can be arranged through MSU Occupational Health. Current Centers for Disease Control and Prevention guidelines recommend that every adult get Tetanus/Diphtheria/**Pertussis (Tdap)** vaccine when they are due for their next dose. The only adult form of this vaccine is called ADACEL.

### **Rabies Vaccine**

Documentation of Rabies vaccine must be provided to MSU Occupational Health prior to starting handling animals at MSU. If it has been greater than 2 years since completion of the rabies vaccine, documentation of a current rabies titer must be provided to MSU Occupational Health prior to handling animals at MSU.

MSU Occupational Health offers rabies vaccine at a reasonable rate. We provide on-site rabies vaccine for groups. The current cost for rabies vaccine is **\$176 per dose**. The vaccine consists of a series of **three doses** at 0, day 7, and day 21 or 28. To decrease the time you spend waiting in line to get vaccine and to avoid having to pay in a lump sum, you will be billed for the vaccines. Please let the Office of Academic Programs know if you are interested. Prior to making your decision, you may want to check to see if your medical insurance will cover all or part of the cost. Information required to submit to your insurance company will be on the bill you receive. This vaccine is generally not readily available in the community; however, you may want to check with your family physician or local health department.

### **Rabies Titers**

Rabies titers may be arranged through MSU Occupational Health. The testing is done through the State of Michigan. It can take up to six weeks to get the results; however, the usual time is about 2 to 3 weeks. There is currently no cost to you for rabies titers. If you have questions, please feel free to email Paula at [guss@msu.edu](mailto:guss@msu.edu).

Name \_\_\_\_\_ PID \_\_\_\_\_ DOB \_\_\_\_\_

**Rabies Vaccine**

- Have not had rabies vaccine- plan to get it prior to coming to MSU.
- Would like to receive rabies vaccine this fall from MSU Occupational Health.
- Have already received rabies vaccine- please indicate dates and place given.

Rabies Vaccine Dates		
	Date	Place given
1.		
2.		
3.		

**Tetanus Diphtheria (Td) or Tetanus Diphtheria Pertussis (Tdap) Vaccine**

Date of most recent vaccine \_\_\_\_\_

Type of vaccine  Td  Tdap

- Have not had a tetanus vaccine within 10 years.

**TB (Tuberculosis Test)**

Date of most recent TB test/symptom review \_\_\_\_\_ result \_\_\_\_\_

- Have not had a TB test.
- Previous reactive TB test will need to complete a symptom monitor.

Please attach a **copy** of records you have that verify these vaccines/tests.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Please return completed form to:  
Office of the University Physician  
347 Olin Health Center  
Michigan State University  
East Lansing, MI 48824