

# CAMERON UNIVERSITY

## Student Vaccination Policy

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### Policy Statement

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In compliance with state law, Cameron University requires proof of vaccinations for students attending the university. Some exemptions do apply.

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### Who Should Know This Policy

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| √ President         | √ Faculty                            |
| √ Vice Presidents   | √ Other Accounting/Finance Personnel |
| √ Deans             | √ Students                           |
| √ Department Chairs | Other Groups                         |
| √ Directors         | √ All Employees                      |
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### Responsibilities

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#### Responsible for Policy

University Officer Responsible  
Zeak Naifeh

Dean of Students

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## **Procedure**

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**STATEMENT OF PURPOSE:** For the purpose of students' health and safety, Cameron University requires documentation of vaccinations.

### **1.0 Definitions**

1.1 Senate Bill 787 was signed into law in May 2003 and codified in the Oklahoma statutes as Sections 3243 and 3244 of Title 70.

1.2 Section 3243 applies to meningococcal disease.

1.2.1 The section requires that post-secondary educational institutions provide detailed information on the risks associated with meningococcal disease, the risks and benefits of vaccinations to student who reside or plan to reside on campus, and the availability of the vaccine.

1.2.2 First time enrollees who live in on-campus housing must be vaccinated against meningococcal disease or sign a written waiver of exemption.

1.3 Section 3244 applies to hepatitis B, measles, mumps and rubella (MMR).

1.3.1 The law requires that institutions provide students educational information on hepatitis B, measles, mumps and rubella upon enrollment and the risks and benefits of the associated vaccinations.

1.3.2 Students who enroll in on-campus courses are required to provide written documentation of the vaccinations or provide a statement indicating an exemption from receiving the vaccinations for medical, moral or religious reasons.

### **2.0 Procedures for compliance with Section 3243**

2.1 Information regarding meningococcal disease is included in the Student Housing contract.

2.2 All students who wish to live in on-campus housing must be vaccinated or sign a written waiver of exemption, as indicated on the Certification of Meningococcal Compliance.

2.3 If a student is under 18 years of age and chooses not to be vaccinated, a parent, guardian or other legal representative must also review the information and sign the waiver.

### **3.0 Procedures for compliance with Section 3244**

3.1. Upon application to the university, a student is notified of the vaccination requirements for hepatitis B, measles, mumps, and rubella (MMR).

3.2 Students are provided with educational information about the diseases, including the risks and benefits of the vaccination.

- 3.3. Students must certify that they have been vaccinated, they are exempt from the requirement based on the exemptions listed below, or that they seek exemptions because administration of the vaccine conflicts with moral or religious tenets.
- 3.4. The following exemptions related to hepatitis B, measles, mumps and rubella have been approved.
- 3.4.1 All students who graduated from an Oklahoma high school and who are presumed to have met the legal requirements, where such vaccinations are mandatory by law;
  - 3.4.2 Full or part-time students from states with similar statutory requirements for providing written documentation of vaccinations;
  - 3.4.3 Concurrently enrolled high school students;
  - 3.4.4 Students enrolled in higher education centers and other learning sites authorized by the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education (training centers, downtown consortium, business outreach classes and technology centers);
  - 3.4.5 Adult students born before 1956;
  - 3.4.6 Students transferring from another Oklahoma college or university after Fall 2004;
  - 3.4.7 Non-degree seeking students and students provisionally admitted (students taking nine credit hours or less);
  - 3.4.8 Students who are active military.

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## Contacts

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Policy Questions: Zeak Naifeh, Dean of Students, (580) 581-2244

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## Forms

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In support of this policy, the following forms are included:

Certification of Compliance: Hepatitis B, Measles, Mumps, and Rubella (MMR) ([V1-1](#))

Certification of Meningococcal Compliance ([V1-2](#))

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## Policy History

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### Policy

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