

Health Services

The following is required of all students and employees at GCC.

Health Requirements for New Students

- TB clearance within (1) one-year prior to school registration.
- For any individual entering Guam from an area other than the United States or its territories, Public Law 22-130 requires that a tuberculosis test must be conducted within six (6) months prior to enrollment.
- Those with positive test results must obtain medical evaluation with valid chest x-ray report from their private medical clinic first and then proceed to the TB Section of the Department of Public Health & Social Services for clearance. Located in Mangilao DPHSS, 1st Floor, Rm 118. *Chest x-ray is valid for (5) five years from date administered.*
- Measles, Mumps, Rubella (MMR):
- Students must at least have one dose on or after the first birthday. Guam Immunization Protocol strongly recommends that individuals born in or after 1957 receive two doses of MMR, if they have never had measles (physician-diagnosed), or if they do not have confirmed laboratory evidence of measles immunity. Those born prior to 1957 are exempted from the MMR requirement.
- Tetanus & Diphtheria (TD) received within the last 10 years
- Oral Polio Vaccine (OPV)/Inactivated Polio Vaccine (IPV) for students below 18 years of age
- Properly completed Emergency and Health Information Form

Health Requirements for Continuing Students

- Continuing students are NOT required to have an annual TB skin test.
- TB skin testing is only given if a student has stepped out for two (2) consecutive semesters in a row (Fall & Spring). If the student is a positive reactor, TB clearance is only good for one (1) year from date issued by The Department of Public Health and Social Services. *Effective August 18, 2015, per Department of Public Health and Social Services, a Physician's TB Clearance with valid chest x-ray report is needed along with a Certificate of Tuberculosis Evaluation Form issued by The Department of Public Health and Social Services every year student is attending classes at Guam Community College. **Chest X-ray is valid for (5) five years from date administered.*
- MMR (Measles, Mumps, and Rubella) is good for a lifetime if dosages 1 and 2 have been given.
- TD immunization is good for 10 years after administration and needs to be updated prior to expiration date.
- The [Emergency and Health Information form](#) [1] also needs to be updated (see link below).

Students whose choice of study will place them at risk of exposure to bloodborne pathogens are advised to follow further instructions by their respective program advisor regarding other health requirements such as Hepatitis B vaccine and physical examination.

Student Health Center Services

- Basic first aid for injuries and medical conditions that occur during school time
- Assessment and nursing management of chronic health problems based on the client's physician-prescribed therapeutic regimen*
- Annual screening of employees for tuberculosis (TB) as required by law
- Screening of students for TB in compliance with public law and school policy
- Administration of TB skin test
- Immunization program*
- Immunization audit in compliance with public law and school policy
- Brief Tobacco Intervention (BTI) program
- Screening of height & weight, blood pressure, vision, and pediculosis*
- Pregnancy testing and prenatal follow-up*

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- Advocacy for persons with disabilities
- Referral services on health management
- Counseling on health and health-related issues.
- Health Promotion/Education through Class Presentations
- STD & HIV Testing & Treatment in Partnership with DPHSS

*Services will be rendered upon the availability of staff and resources.