CERTIFICATES REQUIRED BY STUDENT HEALTH CARE AND SOCIAL SERVICES STUDENT

It is extremely important that student has adequate valid vaccinations stated in the Act and Decree on Infectious Diseases. All this is because of patient’s safety. (Law of Infectious disease 48§)

1. **Tetanus-diphtheria-vaccination Td** (lock-jaw and diphtheria) or **Tetanus-diphtheria-Pertussis** (Lock-jaw and diphtheria and whooping cough) **vaccination DTAP**. At least 3 doses in Lifetime.

2. **Polio-vaccination**. Three to four (3—4) received vaccinations are sufficient. Boosters needed only when travelling to high-risk areas.

3. **MPR-vaccination** (measles, mumps and German measles). All health care students must have two valid MPR vaccinations.

4. In addition, you should provide information of previous **hepatitis A and/or hepatitis B vaccinations**. Nurse student will have Hepatitis B vaccination if she/he has not have it before studies. Hepatitis A vaccination is not part of the vaccination scheme and it is not required, even if you study in a health care institution. However, situations might arise during the studies, when readily available information about previous vaccinations against hepatitis is important.

5. For all social services and health care students are given a **seasonal influenza vaccination**. You can get this vaccination either from the student health care or from your local health care centre in November-December during your studies.

6. If you have not had Chickenpox, you should be tested for antibodies and vaccinated if needed.

7. Foreign (those who come some other country than from Finland) students are required to provide certificate proving that they are not carriers of infectious tuberculosis. (Law of Infectious disease 55§)

Information about previous vaccinations can be acquired from the **Certificate on Vaccinations (Rokotuskortti)** given to you by the school nurse or from your health care centre. If you need vaccinations, you can get them at the health care centre of your domicile.

If necessary, booster injections are given to the student during the studies in student health care.

The public health nurse of student health care will collect vaccination details in connection of information classes at the beginning of the studies **during the first days**.

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