

Loewenberg School of Nursing
RN-BSN Program
Required Nursing Data

RN-BSN students are required throughout the program to maintain RN licensure and meet core performance standards. In addition, RN-BSN students are required to meet the requirements established by the clinical education setting for the protection of themselves and clients in their care.

Required Nursing Documents for clinical education (Community Health Nursing and Transition into Professional Practice Practicum) include: a criminal background check, urine drug screen, essential immunizations and vaccinations, American Heart Association CPR certification for health providers, and liability insurance. Students will not be permitted to enter the clinical education setting without submission of all *required nursing data*.

Students approved to complete their clinical education at a facility within their healthcare system for which they are employed may be exempt from submitting *required nursing documents* (except liability insurance) if authorized by the health care system. Please note that all students are required to submit proof of liability insurance or purchase insurance while enrolled in clinical courses.

I. Required Immunizations

1. Tetanus, diphtheria, pertussis: A current Tdap vaccination within past 8 years
2. Polio: Evidence of childhood immunization or a positive antibody test
3. Measles, Mumps, Rubella (MMR): Evidence of 2 doses of MMR, 4 weeks apart or documentation positive titers
4. Hepatitis B (Heptavax): Three dose series (dose #1, dose #2 in 1 month, #3 in 5 months after dose #2 (any dosing outside of this schedule requires titer showing immunity) or signed waiver.
5. Varicella (chickenpox): Evidence of a positive varicella titer (date and result), documented history of disease, or verification of vaccine series (two). If titer is negative or equivalent, documentation of two varicella vaccines given no less than four to eight weeks apart is required.
6. PPD (TB skin test): An annual negative PPD test for tuberculosis or the statement from a health care provider attesting to a negative tuberculosis status.
7. Influenza vaccine- **required for Spring admission**—1 dose of influenza vaccine (complete and provide documentation Sept-Dec) or physician documentation of allergy to chicken, eggs or feathers.

II. Maintaining current Required Nursing Data

Students are required to be current in all essential vaccinations, certifications, and liability insurance throughout the program:

1. Tuberculosis Test (PPD) YEARLY
2. Influenza Vaccination **YEARLY** between September 15th and December 1st
3. CPR certification: Health Provider level-Adult-Child-Infant through the *American Heart Assoc.*
4. Students, who on admission are in the process of receiving a hepatitis B or varicella series, are responsible for submitting documentation of the completed the vaccination series to LSON within 6 months of enrollment. Any student who has not completed all vaccination series within 6 months of enrollment will be administratively withdrawn from all nursing clinical classes.
5. Students are required to notify LSON of any physical or mental illness, injury, criminal activity, drug use, and/or health exposure during nursing school enrollment, as these situations may affect patient safety and RN licensure.