



## Frequently Asked Questions

Some of the frequently asked questions that we are get from new students and parents are:

### ***Does the student have to have a physical exam?***

Yes, because of the close living proximity in our residential halls and to ensure students arrive healthy, we require that all new students have a **physical exam within 12 months** prior to arriving on campus. Please check to make sure your provider signs the physical exam form.

### ***Is the physical for athletes the same as the physical exam for new students?***

No, the physical exam for athletes emphasizes different areas than the physical exam for new students. All athletes must turn in a copy of their physical to their coach, and a copy of their complete Health and Immunization form to Olivet Health Service.

### ***Can I have my physical done at ONU when I arrive on campus?***

No. Your physical should be completed before arriving on campus. The Health Center is not staffed to do physicals for the number of new students arriving. If you are having a problem scheduling a physical before school, you may set up an appointment at Riverside Corporate Health by calling 815-935-7532, or Provena Occupational Health at 815-937-8788.

### ***Are there specific forms that I should be using?***

Preferably yes. The forms are located on the Olivet website at <http://www.olivet.edu/admissions/undergraduate/forms>. Using the forms provided will assist doctor's offices and students to submit complete health records.

### ***Is a TB (PPD) test required?***

No, not currently unless you are a student entering the nursing program. Then yes, the nursing department requires a TB skin test within the past 12 months.

### ***Why do you need my health history?***

Complete information on your health history is vital for the ONU health staff to treat your illness. To ensure continuity of care, it is advisable that all sections pertaining to previous or current health care conditions are noted. Additional medical history may be attached to your health form as needed.

### ***What immunizations are required?***

It is an Illinois law requirement that all students have 2 specific types of vaccines. The first is a Tetanus booster within the past 10 years, preferably Tdap that protects against Pertussis. The second

vaccine required is two doses of “MMR” (Measles, Mumps, Rubella) vaccine given after the age of 12 months. The vaccine dates must include the month, day, and year. If you do not have a record of your MMR vaccines, a blood test ordered by your doctor can show proof of immunity to those diseases. *Lab results must be sent to this office with your health form for proof of immunity. Please check to make sure your physician or nurse has signed the immunization record on our form.*

**International students** must also submit evidence of a total of 3 tetanus vaccines, the last of which must have been given in the past 10 years.

While the Meningitis vaccine, Varicella vaccine, Hepatitis A vaccine, and Hepatitis B vaccine are not required, they are highly recommended.

***Should I bring my forms to campus when I arrive?***

All records received prior to the student arriving on campus will expedite the validation process. We do understand though that some students are not able to complete their physical exams until just before coming to campus. If you are attending orientation in June, yes, please bring your forms with you and turn them in to the health service booth at orientation. If you are not coming to campus in June, you may turn them in at orientation in August, or bring them to the Health Service office located in the Center for Student Success building. You may fax your forms anytime to the Health Service office at 815-935-4997.

***What happens if my forms are not complete?***

The health forms are reviewed immediately when received. Your form will be returned to the student's home address notifying them of incomplete records with a request to complete the missing information. Students with missing requirements on their health records will not be able to complete registration for a subsequent semester until the records are complete. If records are received after the first 6 weeks of class, a \$25 fine may be added to the students account. Any delay in a student's registration may result in their inability to sign up for a class required for their degree since some classes are available on a first come first served basis and may be closed due to limited size availability.

***Who do I contact if I have questions?***

If you have questions about the Health Center's services, or the health records requirement, please do not hesitate to call us at (815)939-5256 or email us at [healthservice@olivet.edu](mailto:healthservice@olivet.edu).