Clinical Requirements Policy
It is the policy of the Health Sciences programs to ensure students enrolled in direct patient care clinical experiences are fully protected and prepared to function safely in the hospital/healthcare environment.

Before a student may enroll in a Shasta College clinical experience, the following documentation (using forms provided) must be provided to the Health Sciences department by the designated deadlines provided in their enrollment orientation materials. Exemptions to these requirements must be approved by the Dean of Health Sciences. Inquiries concerning any exemptions should be directed to the Dean. The student will assume full costs of the clinical requirements.

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1. Cleared criminal background check (see pre-enrollment screening policy)
2. Negative drug screen (see pre-enrollment screening policy)
3. Physical Examination (no older than 6 months prior to enrollment).
   If a student requires hospitalization, or is under a doctor’s care while in the program, they must have a doctor’s release for work with no restrictions in order to return to clinical.
4. Current CPR certification for Health Professional (must remain current) – resuscitation of adult, child, infant and two (2) person rescue. Class must be face-to-face, not online, and at the Healthcare Provider Level.
5. Two-step process TB test results with questionnaire prior to enrollment and repeat TB screening with questionnaire annually while a program participant. If TB testing results are positive, chest x-ray on program entry with appropriate Public Health Department clearance prior to enrollment and TB screening questionnaire annually while a program participant.
6. Proof of required immunizations (**see below)**
   **The following immunizations are required for all students in health-related courses, which involve direct patient contact in medical settings (must provide official documentation of immunization or titer demonstrating immunity):**
   a. Tetanus/diphtheria/pertussis: one-time Tdap adult booster within past 5 years proof of Td “booster” dose within the last ten (10) years
   b. Hepatitis B series (HBV): written certification of serological immunity to HBV or completed 3 injection series of HBV vaccinations
   c. Measles, mumps, and rubella (MMR) – 2 injections, one month apart or written certification of serological immunity
   d. Varicella (chicken pox) – 2 injections, one month apart written certification of serological immunity
   e. Following initial enrollment, Flu vaccine each fall or signed declination

Record Maintenance
The Health Sciences Division utilizes a password-protected database for the maintenance of such records. Access is limited to the Division Dean and/or designee(s). Students are required to submit the necessary documentation to the division office for electronic filing. Students maintain original records. Students then receive notification for ongoing compliance needs throughout the duration of the
program.

The Dean may immediately remove students from a clinical course or program, when, in their professional opinion, the student is not in compliance with established program standards and/or continued participation puts clinical affiliate and/or its clientele at risk.