Health-Vaccination Policy

Each applicant is required to have a pre-entrance health examination. Records of the following items must be submitted; Tdap vaccine, urinalysis or urine dipstick, rubella (qualitative – positive or negative) if non-immune reaction then immunized, rubeola (qualitative - positive or negative) if non-immune reaction then immunized, varicella zoster (qualitative - positive or negative), (IGG if there is a negative history or vague about having chickenpox), Hepatitis B surface antibody (if the student has not received the Hepatitis B vaccine, it will be provided by the School) and chest x-ray if clinically indicated or if a history of a positive tuberculin skin test. Urine drug testing is required with a negative test result and testing is conducted by the Student Health Nurse. A dental examination with repair measures is to be documented by a dentist. An eye examination with correction is to be documented by an optometrist or ophthalmologist. All health status examinations must be submitted prior to enrollment into the Conemaugh School of Nursing. Engerix B (Hepatitis B Vaccine recombinant) may be available and is recommended.

The flu vaccine is MANDATORY. This will be provided by the Student Health Nurse from October-December. If a student receives the vaccine at a location other than the School, documentation must be submitted to the Student Health Nurse. Anyone not receiving and providing documentation of the flu vaccine will not be permitted to participate in clinical experiences.