

Immunizations Process Frequently Asked Question (FAQ)

What happens if I can't find my immunization records?

- If you do not have your immunization records, then the following people/organizations may be useful resources:
 - From Calgary, contact Central Records at 403-214-3641
 - From Edmonton, contact Central Records at 780-413-7985
 - Outside of Calgary, contact your local health unit or the healthcare professions/agency that immunized you.
 - If you are unable to find contact information for Public Health in another province, then Central Records in Calgary (contact info above) may be able to assist you with this.
 - Parents may also be a good resource for this information.

What happens if I need to adjust my phone consultation time?

- Please call the SAIT Health Clinic to reschedule your appointment 1-403-284-8666 (Monday to Friday - 08:00 to 4:30, Mountain Standard Time - MST)

What happens if I am an international student?

- Please call the SAIT Health Clinic 1-403-284-8666 (MST hours) to schedule a consult appointment, and we will guide you through the process

How will I know if my fax or email has been received by the SAIT Health Clinic?

- Please call the SAIT Health Clinic to confirm if your information has been received; 1-403-284-8666

Where can I purchase a pre-loaded Visa or MasterCard credit gift card?

- Some banking institutions offer bank-issued, reloadable cards; check with your local financial institution to see if they offer this service. **OR**
- Most retailers – such as grocery stores, drug stores, convenience stores, larger super-centres

How much is the Activation fee?

- This fee is dependent on the type of temporary Visa or MasterCard you choose, but is often between \$5.00 to \$7.00 per card; though it may be more.
- This is the fee associated with pre-loading a temporary Visa or MasterCard at the retailer

What happens after my phone consultation?

- If blood work is required, the student is asked to confirm their preferred email address with the SAIT Health clinic who will then email the requisition directly to the student.
- Students will follow-up with the lab to book an appointment, and complete requisite blood work.
- The lab results will be sent electronically, or faxed, to the SAIT Health Clinic automatically.
- After lab results are received, immunization appointments will be scheduled at the SAIT Health Clinic in alignment with program requirements (for those currently residing in Calgary and Southern Alberta). If the student is still residing north of Red Deer or in another Province, you will be notified of the immunizations that are still required for you to begin the process in your area if you so desire. Once you start classes in September, The SAIT Health Clinic will take over and administer (by appointment only), any incomplete required immunizations for your program.
- If you begin the immunization process outside of the SAIT Clinic, you and your healthcare professional **must** fill out and return the attached **"Vaccine List for Administration Outside of SAIT Clinic"** to the SAIT Health Clinic by fax (preferred), or email (not secure).

How much will my immunizations cost?

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- It may be different for each student depending on a student's current immunization status
- An initial **\$75** fee will be applied to the telephone consult to review the vaccines and medical history
- The administration fee for immunization is approximately **\$25** (tentative) **per appointment, and**
 - Additional immunizations fee of **\$5** (tentative) for **each** additional vaccine administered the same day.
- If multiple appointments are required to complete the immunization protocol, the costs may increase
- **NOTE:** It is best to use the SAIT Health Clinic, or a Public Health Unit (**except the Calgary Zone which will not accept student vaccinations**), as the cost of the vaccine is not charged to students; only administration fees will be charged. If vaccines are administered at a pharmacy, travel clinic, or a physician's office, the cost may be significantly higher as you will be paying the cost of the vaccine, in addition to possible administration fees.

Who do I contact if I have questions about my SAIT HPS Program Immunizations?

- SAIT Health Clinic – phone: 1-403-284-8666

Do I have to use the SAIT Health Clinic for my immunization review?

- For the initial consultation/review of your previous immunization records, it is expected that students use the SAIT Health Clinic to ensure that the appropriate protocols are followed for your program and the program practicum requirements.

Can I see my personal physician for my consult and any required immunizations?

- Consultation reviews **must** be provided by the SAIT Health Clinic as noted in the previous question. It is **preferred** that students obtain their vaccinations through the SAIT Health Clinic as Alberta Health Services (AHS) has specific immunization requirements for your practicums; which physicians would not be aware of; however, once you have had your initial consultation/review through the SAIT Health Clinic, you may obtain any required immunizations **wherever is most convenient for you** such as your Public Health unit (except in Calgary) , healthcare provider, pharmacy, or travel clinic; **provided that the attached "Vaccine List for Administration Outside of SAIT Clinic"** is filled out by the location you wish to use.
- The completed **"Vaccine List for Administration Outside of SAIT Clinic"**, along with **copies** of any new **vaccination records**, must be submitted to the SAIT Health Clinic via fax 1-403-284-8631 (preferred), or email health.services@sait.ca (not secure), or your immunizations **will not be accepted** as complete by Alberta Health Services.

If I am from outside of Calgary, can I go to a Public Health Unit in my area for the consult/review and receive immunizations there?

- The initial consultation **must be** done through the SAIT Health Clinic (via phone as per instructions above), however, a student may receive required immunizations from another location (vaccine fees may apply) provided the attached **"Vaccine List for Administration Outside of SAIT Clinic"** is filled out and submitted to the SAIT Health Clinic, along with **copies** of your **vaccination records** via fax 1-403-284-8631 (preferred), or by email health.services@sait.ca (not secure).
- **NOTE:** Our clinical practicum partners **will NOT** accept any **incomplete** immunization records.

What if I can't afford the SAIT Clinic fees OR vaccine fees if immunizations are provided elsewhere?

- Please contact the Academic Chair of your HPS Program to discuss further