



## **NURSE AIDE CLINICAL REQUIREMENTS**

### **Background Check Requirements**

Complete a background check release form provided at orientation.

- Northeast Iowa Community College's (NICC) clinical partners require all charges and convictions to be evaluated and approved by the College, and if applicable, the Iowa Department of Human Services.
- The Iowa Department of Human Services will not evaluate juvenile convictions, pending charges or charges with an outstanding disposition or warrant.

### **Health Requirements**

Documentation of the following must be submitted to your instructor a minimum of one week prior to your clinical start date:

- Influenza (Flu) Vaccine
- Baseline Tuberculosis (TB) Screening
- COVID-19 Vaccine

### **Annual Influenza (flu) Vaccine**

An influenza vaccine will be required during the flu season (September 1 - March 31).

### **Baseline Tuberculosis (TB) Screening**

A negative Baseline TB test is required. This consists of two (2) TB skin tests or a TB blood test. This test has to be given no more than 90 days prior to the clinical start date. **It is important to discuss the timing of vaccine administration and TB testing with your healthcare provider.**

A 2-step TB skin test takes 10 days minimum to complete (TB placed, return two days later to be read, return one week from first reading to get second TB placed, return two days later to be read). Students must submit documentation of dates the two TB tests were given; dates TB tests were read along with the results (mm of induration).

**OR:**

QuantiFERON® -TB Gold Plus (QFT-Plus) and the T-SPOT®.TB test (T-Spot) are the two acceptable blood tests. These tests may take at least one week to get results. Students must submit documentation of the date of the blood draw and the results.

## COVID-19 Primary Series Vaccination

One of the following is required based on the manufacturer: 2 dose vaccine series OR 1 dose vaccine. Documentation must include the date vaccine was given and the manufacturer.

The College's clinical partners have reserved the right to limit unvaccinated individuals participating in clinical programs, even if the individuals have bona fide religious or medical exemptions to the vaccine.

- The College cannot guarantee unvaccinated individuals access to the clinical portion of the CNA course.
- The College's clinical partners require NICC to provide vaccine status information on all those participating in clinical programs.

*It is the students' responsibility to keep a copy of their health records. The forms the College collects are kept for the duration of clinical rotations only.*

### **Please send questions and/or exemption requests to:**

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\*Medical and religious/personally held belief exemption requests must be submitted in writing within seven days following the start date of the course to allow time for processing.

\*\*An exemption request submitted and approved for this course does not create a right or expectation of future approval for this or any other course or program at NICC.

\*\*\* Facilities have the right to and may require routine COVID-19 testing based on vaccination status.