



We encourage you to begin collecting required immunization documents upon admission. As you progress through the program your Registrar will contact you as requirements near expiration to ensure you are compliant to register for and attend clinical courses.

The following requirements are based upon CDC guidelines for Healthcare Professionals (HCP) and must be on file and approved through CastleBranch **in order to register and participate** in a course with a clinical component in Galen's prelicensure nursing programs. In order to protect students, healthcare providers, and patients, Galen requires students registered in clinical components to provide evidence of each item listed below and on the reverse side.

- CRIMINAL BACKGROUND SCREENING**
All students must consent to a criminal background screening and release to the school documentation of the background screening results from Galen's authorized provider. Students attending a Galen College of Nursing Campus in Texas are additionally required to submit a copy of their blue card from the Texas Board of Nursing upon receipt.
- PHYSICAL EXAMINATION**
All students must provide a signed, complete Galen physical examination form as verification of a physical examination performed by a licensed primary care provider within the twelve (12) months prior to admission to Galen.
- CPR**
All students must successfully complete a Basic Life Support (BLS) course administered by the American Heart Association (AHA) or American Red Cross. Students must keep a copy of a current BLS CPR certification on file with the College. CPR certification expires two (2) years from the date issued.
- DRUG SCREENING**
Students are subject to drug screening and agree to such screening as a condition of enrollment. Student will be notified by Galen and given instructions on how to complete screening requirements.
- N95 MASK FIT TEST**
Evidence on an annual N95 mask fit test.
- HEALTH INSURANCE** (Annually in January)
Students are required to provide evidence of current, private health insurance annually.

Galen reserves the right to revoke admission based on adverse criminal background and/or drug screening. For complete information regarding Galen's clinical participation requirements, please see your Student Catalog.



Students must provide evidence of each of the following vaccinations or immunizations. If medical conditions prohibit a student from meeting these requirements, the student will be required to provide an explanation from a licensed primary care provider.

MMR - MUMPS, MEASLES, RUBELLA

- Evidence of a two-dose MMR vaccine series administered at least 28 days apart
OR
- Laboratory evidence of immunization

HEPATITIS B

- Evidence of a three-dose HepB vaccine series
OR
- Evidence of a two-dose HEPLISAV-B vaccine series
OR
- Laboratory evidence of immunization

TDaP - TETANUS, DIPHTHERIA, PERTUSSIS

- Evidence of a single-dose TDaP within the past 10 years

TB - TUBERCULOSIS (Annually)

- Evidence of series of two injections, given one week apart, read 48-72 hours after injection or two consecutive annual TB tests
OR
- Evidence of negative blood test completed by either QuantiFERON Gold TB Test or T-Spot
OR
- Students with a history of a positive TB skin test must provide evidence of negative TB risk assessment supported by a negative chest X-ray within the past three years

VARICELLA

- Evidence of two-dose varicella vaccine administered at least 28 days apart
OR
- Laboratory evidence of immunity

INFLUENZA (Annually in the Fall)

- Evidence of seasonal influenza vaccine

COVID-19

- Evidence of full vaccination. To be considered fully vaccinated, you must receive one of the following: Both doses of the Pfizer or Moderna vaccine; the single dose of the Johnson & Johnson vaccine; or a single Bivalent vaccine.

OR

A completed exemption form.

OR

Texas students are not required to receive the Covid vaccine. Your vaccination status can be completed by submitting Part 2 of the Immunization Exemption Form. Unvaccinated students may be required to wear PPE at clinical sites.

ADDITIONAL CLINICAL REQUIREMENTS

Some clinical sites may require students to provide evidence of immunity or proof of vaccination against other communicable diseases. Students assigned to a clinical site that has specific requirements will be required to provide evidence of compliance with all requirements for that site.