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To: All Incoming Faculty of Medicine Students

Upon acceptance to the program, all first year medical students are required to complete the 2020 AFMC Student Portal Immunization and Testing Form. It is imperative that this form is initiated as soon as possible, as in the absence of some prior immunizations, the immunization process can take upwards of 7 months to complete.

The staff at the University Health Centre (UHC) are well-versed in helping students complete their immunization requirements, assisting a total of 12 University of Alberta health care programs throughout the year to complete their requirements. As a result, it is important to us that we are consistently staying up-to-date on requirements and changes to immunizations for healthcare workers. The Admissions Team for the MD Program of the Faculty of Medicine and Dentistry has agreed to encourage all incoming students to complete their immunization requirements through the University Health Centre. We recognize that the current COVID-19 global pandemic creates unique challenges for completing these requirements and as such, we have come up with some strategies to help streamline this process and minimize the time you would have to spend at our clinic. Outlined below are the first steps that are required to have your immunization review initiated by the staff at UHC:

1. Gather all available immunization records (from infancy to adulthood). Please note: records should be in English or French - records in any other language must be translated.
2. Create a Medeo account.* Medeo is a secure platform used by UHC to communicate with patients related to their health care needs.
3. Complete the request form* to initiate your immunization review by a registered nurse at UHC.
   *Links can also be found at uab.ca/uhc.

After completing this form, you will be contacted by a UHC team member with further instructions. Please be aware that this is not a service that is covered through provincial health care and there will be an associated fee of $100.00 ($140.00 if you are unable to provide any immunization records).

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact UHC at hws@ualberta.ca. We look forward to working with you - and seeing you when it is safe to do so!

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