

CSD Graduate Students Requirements for Clinical Practicum

At the beginning of autumn semester, ALL graduate students must complete or update the following requirements. We will be meeting with you during orientation and/or the first week of graduate school to assist you with all of this documentation.

Immunization and Health Record Requirements

Immunizations are required for participation in clinical courses on and off campus. If you have The University of Montana health coverage, immunizations are offered at the Curry Health Center. Appointments are required for all immunizations at the Curry Health Center, 406-243-4330. All Graduate students are required to document the following immunizations:

- ❖ **PPD (TB):** Needs to be renewed every year. \$10.00* (* cost subject to change)
- ❖ **Tetanus:** (DPT) Good for 10 years. If you have a current vaccine, please provide documentation. \$43.00*
- ❖ **Hepatitis B (3 shot series):** Second shot is 30 days after first; third is shot 6 months after first. \$45.00 each* A Hepatitis Titer (\$70.00*) may be used as proof of Hepatitis B immunization.
- ❖ **MMR:** This is a requirement for enrollment to University. Records can be obtained from Student Health Service or your physician.
- ❖ **Varicella titer:** \$14.00*
- ❖ Additional immunizations, drug testing, or a flu shot may be a requirement of specific practicum sites and it is the responsibility of the graduate student to meet these requirements.
- ❖ Seasonal flu shots are being required by many external clinical sites and will not accept student clinicians who have not had this immunization. Flu shots are available in the fall of each year and can be obtained through UM Student Health Services and are available in your community.
- ❖ **Please note:** As you are entering a healthcare or educational profession, there are certain public health requirements to which our program expects you to adhere. Immunizations that are required by Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) must be up to date when you enter our program. People who are not correctly immunized pose a significant public health risk to their patients, co-workers and themselves. If immunizations and TB tests are not up to date, we cannot guarantee that you will be accepted at medical and/or educational clinical rotation sites. This could impact your timely progression through the program, prevent you from participating in a variety of clinical experiences and ultimately prevent you from graduating.

HIPAA Training

HIPAA training must be completed before taking CSD 570 Clinical Procedures I. This can be done at www.citiprogram.org. Sign in as a new user and take the following short course: Information Privacy and Security (IPS). Upload certificate to Typhon or mail to kay.barth@umontana.edu.

Liability Insurance

- ❖ You have liability coverage through the University when you are enrolled in a clinical course. Kay Barth can provide documentation if required by your clinical practicum site.
- ❖ Some practicums may require an **additional** liability that can be purchased through NSSLHA membership and the coverage is by MARSH.

Current CPR Certification

Current CPR certification is required. In the fall, options are available in the Missoula community but please try to complete this in the summer before you start graduate school. Adult or Child CPR is acceptable.

Health Insurance

Health Insurance is required. You must provide proof of health insurance.

- ❖ A health insurance policy is available for all students to purchase through the University of Montana. The University of Montana-Missoula requires all students taking **six or more state supported or self-supported credits** to have and to maintain medical coverage while attending the university. Students in Distance Learning programs are not eligible for the student insurance. On Cyberbear: you must complete the insurance buy or refuse section before you are able to select your classes (buy if you want the student insurance, refuse if you are already insured another way).
- ❖ If you are choosing not to have the University of Montana policy you must provide a current copy of your insurance.

Background Check

- ❖ A background check is required for all students upon admission to the Department of Communicative Sciences and Disorders (CSD). Use Verified Credential <http://scholar.verifiedcredential.com/umt> for your background check, at a cost of \$62.50* to you. (* cost subject to change)
- ❖ Enter code **YYBHJ-92447** for First Time Users and create an account. Enter all required information and provide supporting documentation. When the background check is complete, information will automatically be shared with the CSD Director of Clinical Education. Additional or alternative background checks may be requested from students who will participate in practicum sites off campus.
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- ❖ **Please note** that if your background check has an infraction, your report will be reviewed by the Department Chair, Director of Clinical Education, and your advisor. You will be informed about the review and have opportunity to rectify or explain any infractions. On rare occasions an infraction could impact your timely progression through the program, prevent you from participating in a variety of clinical experiences and ultimately prevent you from graduating.

Typhon

- ❖ Typhon is a web base data program we use to collect all of your clinical clock hours/competencies and academic competencies. All students must enroll before the start of autumn semester. In mid-August you will receive an email that will provide you with the account number (9099), your user login and password. To access Typhon go to www.typhongroup.net/umt/. The very first time you log in to the system, you will be taken to a payment page. You'll need to pay the one-time \$75 system access fee before you can start using the system. You can pay by Visa, MasterCard, American Express, or Discover. The activation will be instantaneous once your credit card is approved.

25 Observation Hours

- ❖ You must provide documentation of 25 observation hours from a variety of ASHA certified speech-language pathologists and audiologists. The hours must demonstrate learning from a variety of settings and range of disorders and ages. Make an appointment with Chris Merriman or Kay Barth to verify your 25 observation hours. Must be completed BEFORE CSD 570 Procedures I.

Please contact your advisor, Chris Merriman, CSD Director of Clinical Education at 406-243-2377, or Kay Barth, 406-243-6207 for assistance.