IMMUNIZATION FAQ FOR INCOMING STUDENTS

The American University of Paris Health Office



1. I have a meningococcal vaccine for types A and C, is this different than the one AUP is asking for?

Yes, AUP requires students to be vaccinated against the four strands of meningitis: A, C, W, and Y. Certain meningococcal vaccinations (such as Menactra or Menova, for example) protect against all four strands; if you are unsure about what your vaccination covers, ask your doctor.

- 2. I was immunized when I was very young but have lost the certification. What do I do? If you searched and have been unable to find the records, the medical facility where you were vaccinated may be able to help. Try calling them to request the necessary documents. Additionally, most schools will have required a list of immunizations to be submitted before you attended; try contacting any of your previous educational institutions. If, however, you still cannot find your records, you will need to have the missing vaccines re-administered.
- 3. I was immunized when I was very young outside of my home country and am no longer in touch with the medical provider who administered the vaccines. I am unsure how to complete the AUP immunization form.

If the medical provider who administered the vaccine is unable to sign the AUP form and you have proof of vaccination, you may be able to see a medical provider in your home country to have the form completed. In some cases, a signed copy of your immunization records in English and French may be accepted. In all other cases where you're missing the required records or a medical provider's signature, you will need to have the vaccines re-administered.

- 4. Do my medical records have to be signed by a doctor?
 Yes. We cannot accept any records that are not signed by a medical provider.
- 5. I have proof of a meningitis vaccine, but it is older than five years. Do I need to have the vaccine administered again?

Yes, the vaccine is only valid if you have had it within the past five years.

6. To whom should I speak if I have questions or concerns about the immunization policy? Please be in touch with your admissions counselor, who can always be in touch with the health office as necessary. Remember that all immunization forms should be submitted via your online pre-arrival portal before you arrive for orientation.

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