## **Bacterial Meningitis (Senate Bill 1107)**

Beginning January 1, 2012 in accordance with Texas Senate Bill 1107 (SB 1107), it is required that all new students, transfer students and returning students (who have had a fall or spring semester break in their attendance at an institution of higher education) provide proof of a bacterial meningitis vaccination or booster 10 days prior to the first class day of the entering semester. Without the evidence of vaccination, a student cannot attend classes on campus.

Students who do not provide the evidence of vaccination will not be allowed to attend classes and will be dropped from all classes on the first class day. Texas A&M-Kingsville is partnering with Med+Proctor to complete and submit your Bacterial Meningitis vaccination record. Please see the Student Health & Wellness Bacterial Meningitis webpage for further instructions.

For more information, students and families may contact the Student Health & Wellness Health Care Clinic at (361) 593-3991.

## **Exemptions**

Students may be exempted from this requirement if they meet any of the following conditions:

- a. Student is 22 years of age or older by the first day of the semester.
- b. Student is enrolled only in online courses or other distance education courses.
- c. Student is enrolled in a dual credit course which is taught at a public or private K-12 facility not located on a higher education institution campus.
- d. Student is incarcerated in a Texas prison.

## Other Immunization

It is recommended that students entering Texas A&M University-Kingsville be vaccinated prior to enrollment and that preventive vaccinations be taken when required.

The following vaccinations are recommended:

- Two (2) doses MMR (Measles, Mumps, Rubella) vaccine
- Tetanus-Diphtheria booster within the past 10 years
- Polio (if under the age of 18)
- Tuberculosis (TB) skin test, (within one year prior to enrollment)
- · Hepatitis A vaccine
- · Hepatitis B vaccine

Immunization records should be sent to Health Care Clinic at:

Texas A&M University-Kingsville, MSC 112 Kingsville, TX 78363

Questions regarding these vaccinations should be addressed to student Health Care Clinic at 361-593-3991, a family physician, the county health department or the Immunization Division of the Texas Department of Health.

Please refer to the University website to check for any changes or updates to the previous information.