

# State of Texas SB 62

## Bacterial Meningitis Required Vaccination Prior to Enrollment

### Stephen F. Austin State University

**All new students and re-entry students must provide either:**

**1. Evidence the student has received the vaccination or booster dose during the five years preceding and at least 10 days prior to enrollment. This evidence must be submitted in one of the following three formats:**

- A document bearing the signature or stamp of the physician or his/her designee, or public health personnel (must include the month, day, and year the vaccination was administered). **OR**
- An official immunization record generated from a state or local health authority (must include the month, day, and year the vaccination was administered). **OR**
- An official record received from school officials, including a record from another state (must include the month, day, and year the vaccination was administered).

**OR**

**2. Evidence the student is declining the vaccination must be submitted in one of the following two formats:**

- An affidavit or a certificate signed by a physician who is duly registered and licensed to practice medicine in the United States, in which it is stated that, in the physician's opinion, the vaccination required would be injurious to the health and well-being of the student. **OR**
- An affidavit signed by the student stating that the student declines the vaccination for bacterial meningitis for reasons of conscience, including a religious belief. A conscientious exemption form from the Texas Department of State Health Services must be used. (This may take up to 30 days.)

<https://webds.dshs.state.tx.us/immco/default.aspx>

**3. A student is not required to submit evidence of receiving the vaccination against bacterial meningitis or evidence of receiving a booster dose:**

- If the student is 22 years of age or older by the first class day of the semester in which they intend to enroll. **OR**
- If the student is enrolled in on-line or other distance education courses only.

**Vaccinations may be available at a discounted price at the following locations:**

<p><b>SFA State University Health Clinic</b> www.sfasu.edu/healthclinic Corner of Raguet &amp; E. College Streets Nacogdoches, TX 75962 (936) 468-4008</p>	<p><b>Angelina County Health District</b> 503 Hill St. Lufkin, TX 75904 (936) 633-0661 (no appointment necessary)</p>
<p><b>Department of State Health Services - Nacogdoches Clinic</b> 2614 NW Stallings Drive Nacogdoches, TX 75964-2626 (936) 569-4961 (call for schedule &amp; specifics) (This agency provides most immunizations at low/no cost for any age adult without insurance. There is an age exception for the Meningitis vaccine. It is only provided for persons less than 18 years of age.)</p> <p>More information on <b>Texas Immunization Programs:</b> <b>ASN:</b> Adult Safety Net www.dshs.state.tx.us/asn <b>TVFC:</b> Texas Vaccines for Children www.dshs.state.tx.us/immunize/tvfc</p>	<p><b>Northeast Texas Public Health District</b> www.healthyeastx.org/ 815 N Broadway Ave. Tyler, TX 75702-4507 (903) 510-5604</p>
	<p><b>Dallas County HHS - Immunization Clinic</b> 2377 N. Stemmons FWY, Rm 159 Dallas, TX 75207 (214) 819-2163</p>
<p><b>Harris County Public Health &amp; Environmental Services</b> For various locations: <a href="http://www.hcphes.org">http://www.hcphes.org</a> Antoine, Humble, Baytown, Southeast (713) 212-6800 (call for appointment)</p>	<p><b>Austin - ST. John</b> 7500 Blessing Ave Austin, TX 78752 (512) 972-5520</p> <p><b>Arlington Public Health Center</b> 536 W. Randol Mill Road Arlington, TX 76011 (817) 548-3990</p>