NORTHWOOD TECHNICAL COLLEGE ASSOCIATE DEGREE NURSING STUDENT HANDBOOK

HEALTH STATUS/REQUIREMENTS

All ADN program students will complete the **Health Form** and must have a physical exam prior to entry into clinical courses. The physical exam may be obtained from a physician, nurse practitioner, or physician's assistant. This must be completed no more than three (3) months prior to beginning the first clinical course; the timeframe will be discussed in detail at the ADN orientation session.

Immunizations and/or blood titers must be documented or completed as noted on the health form directions. Immunization records must be officially documented. Immunization status and other health assessment findings must meet the individual clinical agency requirements.

Parameters for the Mantoux are explained in the health form directions. A Mantoux must be updated on an annual basis and the results submitted to Student Passport.

If a student has a history of a positive Mantoux test, a chest x-ray will be required. Per state public health recommendation, only one negative chest x-ray is necessary, unless there has been exposure to an active case of tuberculosis or if disease symptoms arise

Should a student drop/withdraw from ADN clinical courses and reenter at a later date, a physical exam must be completed within one (1) year of the time of reentry into clinical courses.

The completed health form and all immunization records are submitted to the Student Passport prior to the beginning of the clinical course.

Students may not participate in clinical practice if they have a communicable disease or if there is likelihood of transmission (such as fever, open lesions, skin infection, conjunctivitis, or acute respiratory infection). Students are expected to assume responsibility for protecting themselves and others from health and safety hazards.

Extended clinical absences may result in course failure.

The student is expected to maintain clinical required health records every semester. If your recurring requirements are not up to date (BLS, TB, Tdap, and Influenza) you will be withdrawn from your clinical courses.

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