

## **IMMUNIZATION RECORDS**

The North Dakota State Board of Higher Education requires proof of measles, mumps, and rubella (MMR) vaccinations. Unless exempt from doing so, applicants must forward copies of immunization records when submitting the application package to the Minot State University Graduate School. Do not turn in original immunization records.

### **GUIDELINES FOR MMR IMMUNIZATIONS MSU Student Health Center (June 1, 1997)**

As long as a student has had one dose of mumps vaccine and one dose of rubella vaccine, they are immune from those diseases. The State Board of Higher Education is addressing the concern over rubella or hard measles. Since it is no longer available as a single antigen, the second dose is given as MMR.

The following are conditions under which students may be exempt from receiving the vaccine:

- Documentation of having received two doses after the age of 12 months.
- Born before 1957.
- Religious reasons (must have statement signed by pastor).
- Documentation from physician stating immune or non-susceptible status.
- Pregnant or planning pregnancy within the next several months\*.
- Blood transfusion within the last 6 months\*.
- Prior allergic reaction to vaccine\*.
- Allergy to eggs or neomycin\*.

\* Applicants must visit with the University nurse prior to receiving exempt status under these conditions.

There are a number of ways that vaccinations may be documented on immunization records. Mumps is sometimes listed as adenoma virus. Measles is sometimes listed as rubella or red measles. Three-day or "German" measles is also called rubella.

Please feel free to call the nurse at the Student Health center at (800) 777-0750 ext. 3377 if you have any questions regarding immune status. Also be aware that these records are confidential medical records.