

HEALTH SERVICES: Pre-Arrival Memo

To: All incoming International Students:

Berea College Health Service (CHS) provides care for acute and chronic illness, health maintenance, and minor surgery (such as laceration repair). Routine health maintenance includes physical exams, pelvic exams, pap smears, blood pressure monitoring, immunizations, allergy injections and the like. Strep screens, urinalysis, pregnancy tests, blood glucose testing, and cholesterol screening are also available on site.

Two items must be sent to us prior to your coming to Berea College:

1. The *Medical History Form* must be completed and returned by mail or faxed to us (see address below). If you are under 18 years old your parent or legal guardian must give their written consent in order for you to obtain medical care should you need it.
2. The second item we must have is a copy of immunization records. Your childhood and any recent immunizations (vaccinations) should all be included in this record. If you don't have a copy of these, please check with your own physician, your school or your local health department to see if they have one. You will not be able to come to Berea College without it! Please mail or fax a copy of your immunization records to us at the address below.

If you do not have all the immunizations that you need, please try and obtain them before coming to this country. If you cannot get them, we will attempt to give them to you once you arrive. ***If you have no records at all, you will be required to have all of your immunizations repeated when you arrive.*** To cover our costs, there is a charge for all vaccines given.

Berea College policies require you to have a tuberculosis (TB) skin test shortly after you arrive. It is administered and read by the staff of Health Service. In the United States TB tests are done regardless of prior BCG inoculation.

If you are on any medication or currently under a physician's care for any medical problem, please bring your medicines and a copy of your current records with you.

All Berea College students are required to carry health insurance through the college. This is a major medical policy and covers up to \$10,000 per problem. It does not cover medicines, eye glasses or dental work. It does cover the subscriber while traveling. If you have another health insurance policy, it will be considered the primary policy and the college policy will be considered secondary. When you come to orientation, please bring a copy of this insurance card with you.

If you have any questions, feel free to call or email us. The office manager is Dorothy Mau and her email is Dorothy_mau@berea.edu. Our phone is +1-859-985-3212.

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