

# Bacterial Meningitis Vaccination Requirement

Effective October 1, 2013, Texas Senate Bill 62 ([SB 62](#)), addendum to [SB 1107](#), requires all students (**under age 22**) entering an institution of higher education (public and private) to either receive a vaccination against bacterial meningitis or meet certain criteria to decline the vaccination 10 days before they first day of the semester.

*Important facts about [Bacterial Meningitis](#)*

## How to complete this requirement

We use the services of Magnus Health to collect, review, and securely store all student documents pertaining to the meningitis vaccine. Magnus Health's SMR (Student Medical Record) is a web-based solution that will allow us to manage the vast number of vaccination records that we have to collect to comply with the state law. All first-time and former students that fall under this requirement must register through Magnus Health's SMR, ensuring that the course registration process is not delayed. Students will be withdrawn from their classes on the 10th class day if this new requirement has not been completed. **The vaccine must be administered within the past five years and verified at least 10 days prior to the first day of classes in the semester for which you are beginning at Texas A&M University–Commerce. Students will be dropped from classes if this requirement has not been met by this date.**

Admissions Semester	10 Days Prior Date	1st day of Classes Date
Winter Mini 2014	December 5, 2014	December 15, 2014
Spring 2015	January 5, 2015	January 20, 2015
May Mini 2015	May 4, 2015	May 18, 2015
Summer 1 2015	May 25, 2015	June 8, 2015
Summer 2 2015	June 29, 2015	July 13, 2015
August Mini 2015	July 29, 2015	August 14, 2015
Fall 2015	August 17, 2015	August 31, 2015

## Where do I submit my forms or vaccination records?

You will not submit any forms or vaccination records to any department at A&M-Commerce. Once you've created your Magnus Health account, you will submit all documents through your SMR (Student Medical Record) by uploading, faxing, or mailing them directly to Magnus Health. Detailed instructions on how to submit the required documentation are available via a 60-second, introductory video that plays when you log into your account. If you need any additional assistance, please contact [Magnus Health's customer service](#).

## Getting started

### Login to your myLEO portal:

Please follow the instructions below to complete your Student Health Tracker once you have logged into your myLEO student account:

To log in and complete your tracker, click on the link below.

<http://www.tamuc.edu/myleo.aspx>

1. Log into myLEO to enter the Student Portal. You will need your CWID number and password.
2. Click on the myLEO link at the top of the page to enter the Self-Service page
3. Click on the Verify Meningitis Shot Requirement link found on the Main Menu
4. You will automatically be directed to the Magnus Health's SMR account page
5. Your myLEO account is linked to your Magnus Health account through a single-sign-on; therefore, you do not need to create an additional username and password.
6. You will be asked to verify your personal information
7. A one-time \$10 processing fee payable to: Magnus Health SMR (debit or credit card required)
8. You will then be guided through the rest of the verification process through Magnus Health
9. You can access Magnus Health's SMR by logging into your myLEO account at any time.

## Where can you get the vaccination?

Check with your local healthcare provider, this vaccination could be covered by your insurance provider.

**Local facilities who offer the vaccination, prices may vary so please check your local area:**

A&M-Commerce Student Health Center*	\$90
Brookshire's (Commerce)	\$130
Wal-Mart (Commerce)	\$130
CVS (Greenville)	\$150
Walgreens (Greenville)	\$150

*\*Must be an admitted student, vaccinations limited and available on a first come first serve basis. Please call 903.886.5853 for availability.*

## What are my options if I wish to decline the vaccination?

You must obtain a waiver, signed by a physician who is duly registered and licensed to practice medicine in the United States, stating that, in the physician's opinion, the required vaccination for bacterial meningitis would be injurious to your health and well-being.

(OR)

You must sign and submit a [notarized affidavit](#) stating that you decline the required vaccination for bacterial meningitis for reasons of conscience, including religious belief. Additional information can be found at [College Vaccine Requirements](#).

You will also receive instructions on how to request affidavit forms from the Texas Department of State Health Services once you've created your Mangus Health account in your myLEO. The original affidavit document must be mailed to Magnus Health.

To learn more about your options please visit the [Mangus Health Help Desk](#).

## [Bacterial Meningitis FAQ's](#)