

Bacterial Meningitis Vaccination Requirement

Since October 1, 2013, Texas Senate Bill 62 ([SB 62](#)), 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

Texas A&M University-Commerce uses the services of Magnus Health to collect, review, and securely store all student documents pertaining to the meningitis vaccine. 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. The vaccine must be administered within the past five years and administered 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.

New Students will be allowed to register for their New Student Orientation session BUT will not be allowed to register for classes if the Bacterial Meningitis vaccination requirement has not been met by their orientation session date.

Admissions Semester	10 Days Prior Date	1st day of Classes Date
Spring 2019	January 4, 2019	January 14, 2019
May Min 2019	May 3, 2019	May 13, 2019
Summer I 2019	May 24, 2019	June 3, 2019
Summer II 2019	June 28, 2019	July 8, 2019
August Mini 2019	July 30, 2019	August 09, 2019
Fall 2019	August 16, 2019	August 26, 2019

How will I know if this requirement applies to me?

You are NOT required to submit proof of the Bacterial Meningitis vaccine if the following applies to you:

- If you are taking all online only courses
- If you are 22 years old or older by the first class day of the semester

What vaccinations are acceptable to meet this requirement?

There are only three types of meningitis vaccinations approved in Sec. 51.9192 of the Education Code and S21.613 of the TAC when the vaccination was required:

Menomune (MPSV4)	✓
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Menactra (MCV4 or Men ACWY)	✓
Menveo (MCV4 or MEN ACWY)	✓

At this time, the Men B vaccination will be accepted to meet the vaccination requirement. Students should consult a physician or medical practitioner to determine the optimum vaccination protocol for their individual needs. It is important to note that vaccinations for Men ACWY and MenB are not interchangeable. MenB vaccines do not provide protection for MenACWY strains and MenACWY vaccines do not provide protection for MenB strains.

Trumenba (MenB)	✓
Bexsero (MenB)	✓

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 \$11 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 Menomune, Menactra, and Menveo vaccinations, cash prices may vary so please check your local area:

Brookshire's (Greenville Only)	\$130
Wal-Mart (Commerce)	\$134
CVS (Commerce)	\$134
Walgreens (Greenville)	\$134

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. The 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 Magnus Health account in your myLEO. The original affidavit document must be mailed to Magnus Health.

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