Health Information

To view the Board policies associated with this section, go to https://pol.tasb.org/PolicyOnline/PolicyDetails?key=304 &code=FFAC.

Collin College is dedicated to the total well-being of its students. Alcohol and drug awareness programs, health fairs, intramural activities, and physical fitness courses are geared toward student wellness.

First Aid Supplies

Collin College does not employ a nurse or physician. First aid supplies are available at the following offices on each campus:

- 1. Academic/Workforce Division Offices,
- 2. Campus Provost and Executive Dean Offices,
- 3. Facilities/Plant Operations,
- 4. Fitness Centers,
- 5. Information Centers, and
- 6. Student Engagement Offices.

Communicable Diseases

Communicable diseases include, but are not limited to, acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (AIDS), AIDS-related complex (ARC), human immunodeficiency virus (HIV), influenza, leprosy, measles, tuberculosis, viral hepatitis-A (infectious hepatitis), and viral hepatitis-B (serum hepatitis).

HIV/AIDS Information

Each institution of higher education, including each college district, will make available the institution's policy on HIV infection and AIDS to students by including the policy in the student handbook, if practicable, or by any other method, in accordance with <u>Section 51.919(3)(b)(c)</u> of the <u>Texas Education Code</u>.

Collin College has adopted the *HIV/AIDS Model Workplace Guidelines for Businesses, State Agencies, and State Contractors* approved by the Texas Department of State Health Services (TDSHS). These guidelines are available at <u>www.dshs.texas.gov/hivstd/policy/policies/090-021.shtm</u>. Additional Information on HIV and AIDS as well as a brochure and fact sheet developed by TDSHS titled *What You Should Know About HIV* and *Facts You Should Know About HIV* and *AIDS*, respectively, are available upon request from Counseling Services, the Human Resources Department, or at <u>www.dshs.texas.gov/hivstd/info/hiv/</u>. Collin College's AIDS policy is available upon request from Counseling Services or the Human Resources Department. Confidentiality of these requests will be honored.

Basis for Action

Collin College's decisions involving persons who have communicable diseases will be based on current and wellinformed medical judgments concerning the diseases, the risks of transmitting the illnesses to others, the symptoms and special circumstances of each individual who has a communicable disease, and a careful weighing of the identified risks and available alternatives for responding to a student with a communicable disease.

Non-Discrimination

Collin College will not discriminate against nor deny any student access to a Collin College facility, program, function, or campus activity solely on the grounds that the student has a communicable disease. Collin College reserves the right to exclude a person with a communicable disease from Collin College facilities, programs, functions, and campus activities if Collin College makes a medically based determination that the restriction is necessary for the welfare of the person who has the disease and/or the welfare of the other members of the Collin

College community.

Privacy

Collin College will comply with all pertinent statutes and regulations that protect the privacy of persons in the Collin College community who have a communicable disease. Collin College will ensure procedural safeguards sufficient to maintain the strictest confidence about persons who have HIV infection are in effect throughout the College District.

Bacterial Meningitis

Texas state law (i.e., <u>Texas Education Code Section 51.9192</u>) requires all college students under the age of 22 to be vaccinated against bacterial meningitis or provide an exemption request declining the vaccine. The vaccination must have occurred 10 days prior to the start of classes, and registration is blocked for students until they are in compliance with this requirement.

Students can document their compliance with the bacterial meningitis requirement by submitting:

- 1. Official vaccination record(s),
- 2. Proof of medical exemption, or
- 3. Proof of conscientious objection.

Collin College has partnered with Med+Proctor to review and approve vaccination record(s) and medical exemptions. Once applicants receive their Collin College CWID, they can submit documentation directly to Med+Proctor. Once documentation is submitted, the review status of the documentation is visible at any time through Med+Proctor. There is no fee to submit documentation through Med+Proctor.

For more information, go to www.collin.edu/admissions/meningitis/.