

<b>Immunisation requirements for staff with patient contact, the handling of specimens or the movement of clinical waste</b>	<b>WWR-005H Issue 3: June 2018</b>
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**PLEASE BE AWARE FAILURE TO PROVIDE ALL THE REQUIRED IMMUNISATION INFORMATION WILL DELAY YOUR START DATE**

**1. For all staff with patient contact, the handling of specimens or the movement of clinical waste**

We require the following immunisation or freedom from infection evidence to ensure both you and your patients' safety:

<b>Hepatitis B</b>	Documentary evidence of vaccination Evidence of immunity on UK laboratory
<b>Measles</b>	Documentary evidence of MMR or MR (2 doses) of vaccination Evidence of immunity on UK laboratory report
<b>Rubella (German Measles)</b>	Documentary evidence of MMR or MR (2 doses) of vaccination Evidence of immunity on UK laboratory report
<b>Tuberculosis</b>	Documentary proof of BCG vaccination Documentary evidence of BCG scar from OH department/GP
<b>Varicella (Chicken Pox)</b>	History of disease whilst living in the UK. Evidence of immunity on UK laboratory report Documentary evidence of

**Exposure Prone Procedures (EPP)**

Healthcare workers, who perform exposure-prone procedures (EPPs), must provide evidence of non-infectivity for blood borne viruses. EPP posts are:-

- Foundation 1 Doctors
- Foundation 2 Doctors
- Surgeons – all specialties including podiatry
- Dentists and Dental Nurses
- Obstetricians and Midwives
- Scrub nurses and Operating Department Practitioners in Theatres
- Emergency Department Medical and Nursing staff
- Anaesthetists
- GP Trainees

**Test results are required on UK laboratory reports or Occupational Health records. They must be tested on identity validated blood samples for:**

- Hepatitis B surface Antigen
- Hepatitis B surface Antibody
- HIV Antibody
- Hepatitis C Antibody

## **2. Healthcare Workers from Abroad**

If you have been outside of the UK for cumulative three months or more in the last 5 years you may require a blood test for Tuberculosis.

If you have been outside of the UK working with TB patients in the last 5 years you may require a blood test for Tuberculosis.

**If you already work in Health Care, please ask your existing Occupational Health Department to forward your records to us urgently – this may be sufficient.**

You can access your immunisation information from your GP or an Occupational Health Service where you previously worked. Please do not send original documents.

**If you are unable to provide the required information, please attend Working Well either at our drop in clinic on a Thursday 9.00–13.00, or contact us on 01452 894480 to book an appointment in an immunisation clinic on a Tuesday 09.00–16.00 or Thursday 14.00–16.00.**