

# ALLERGY INJECTION PATIENT POLICY 2008

1. All students receiving allergy injections are required to make an initial appointment with a nurse before injections are given. Please telephone 982-3915 for an appointment. Please bring your vials and your injection schedule with you.
2. If you are just starting allergy injections, you should receive the first one from your allergist.
3. You must be evaluated by your allergist annually. We cannot give injections to students who have not been evaluated within the year prior to the start of the academic year.
4. You are responsible for having current instructions, schedules, and allergens at Student Health. You are also responsible for adhering to your schedule, obtaining refill allergen as needed, and making alternative arrangements to receive injections during vacations.
5. Vials left unused at Student Health will be discarded after six months, regardless of expiration date.
6. For your safety, allergy injections are not given without a physician's presence at Student Health.
7. Allergy injections will be available by appointment Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday: 9-11:30am and 1-3:30pm. During your initial clearance appointment, you will be given instructions on how to schedule injection appointments online.
8. You should wait 48 hours before and after allergy injections to receive any other type of immunization such as Flu vaccine.
9. No matter what your previous experience with allergy injections has been, a 30-minute wait in Student Health is mandatory due to the possibility of a serious reaction. You must have injection sites checked by a nurse before you leave. We cannot continue giving injections to students who refuse to wait or be checked. There are no exceptions.
10. There is a \$15.00 charge per visit to the allergy injection clinic. If you have the student insurance policy (Aetna Student Health) it will automatically be billed. If you have a private insurance policy you should purchase a punch card for ten (10) visits for \$150.00. When your card is finished, a form will be printed for you to submit to your insurance company for reimbursement.
11. You can get your allergy vials to Student Health in a number of ways:
  - a. You may bring your vials with you to your initial appointment for allergy clearance. If you do not have access to your own refrigerator, check with your RA – they will be able to refrigerate your vials until you come for your clearance appointment.
  - b. You may have your allergist send them to Student Health, at the address below.