

TUBERCULOSIS PREVENTION AND CONTROL POLICY

Policy Number:

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Policy Statement:

In compliance with Kansas Statute KSA 2009 Supp. 65-129, effective Fall 2012, all Garden City Community College students with the intention of enrolling and attending classes at GCCC, will be assessed for risk of tuberculosis by completing a Tuberculosis Risk Assessment before enrollment. Exempt students will include those entering the medical professions of Nursing, EMIC, and Certified Nurse Aide, and those participating in continuing education programs and seminars.

Students determined "high risk" for tuberculosis as defined by the Kansas Department of Health and Environment guidelines will be required to complete a TB evaluation. In Southwest Kansas, Finney County Health Department at 510 W Mary Street, Garden City, KS will provide testing and evaluation of high risk students. High risk students include student born in a country of high risk, traveling and spending more than 90 days in a high risk country, receiving the BCG vaccination, having contact with a known case of TB disease in the last 90 days, or a history of a positive TB test. High risk students will have a completed Certificate of Health, signed by appropriate health care personnel to present at GCCC for enrollment.

Procedure:

Disease Reporting Requirements

State laws and regulations require that cases of tuberculosis be reported to the local and state health departments. Collaboration with Finney County Health Department (FCHD) will ensure proper reporting and monitoring of treatment plans.

Depending on insurance, the Kansas TB Control Program, along with FCHD, provides medications for preventive measures and treatment of TB at no cost to individuals.

Students will be responsible for their expenses and treatment plans related to the Kansas TB Control Program. More information is available at: http://www.kdheks.gov/tb/download/KAR_28--1--30--32_Proposed_Regs.pdf

Contact:

Policy History:

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