

# Colgate University

Spring 2019

Dear Students,

Congratulations on your acceptance to Colgate. Included with this letter are forms that need to be completed and returned to the Colgate University Student Health Center by July 12th. This information will help us direct your health care during your time at Colgate. Also included is information regarding meningococcal disease and required vaccinations. Please read this information carefully to aid in your answers on Part II of the enclosed health forms. We have included helpful tips from former students and recommended items to bring with you to campus for a “first aid/survival kit.”

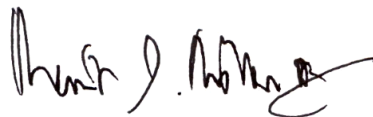
We require your immunization history before you arrive at Colgate. The New York State Department of Health and Colgate University require primary and booster immunizations against infectious (A thru E) and Tuberculosis Screening (I). **Students who lack adequate immunizations and/or do not send immunization information to Student Health Services will not be able to check in and receive their room key on Arrival Day.** We strongly recommend that you receive all required vaccines before you arrive to Colgate; however, if this is not possible, you will need to receive your immunizations (at cost) on Arrival Day at the Colgate Student Health Center. Please call our office for further information or to schedule an appointment.

In a separate mailing, you will receive information about health insurance requirements. We ask that you submit to our office a copy of the front and back of your insurance card and strongly recommend that students carry a copy of their insurance card with them. Health insurance coverage, especially when one is away from their hometown, is complicated. We ask you to think carefully about the various options and to consult with your parents or guardians before completing the web-based waiver. Many parents and guardians have found it informative to speak with a representative from their insurance carrier about **out of area coverage** before deciding whether or not to enroll in the University’s health insurance plan.

Please complete or submit the following directly to our office **no later than July 12<sup>th</sup>**:

1. Medical History and Physical Exam
2. Immunization Records and Tuberculosis Screening
3. Meningococcal Vaccine (Part II) – must be completed in its entirety, see education packet
4. Copy of the front and back of insurance card
5. Receive immunizations (if not up to date) and provide the information to the Student Health Center prior to checking in on Arrival Day.

Thank you for your cooperation. We are available to answer your questions and look forward to meeting you in August.



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