## **Chapter 5 - Student Services**

## AP 5210 Communicable Diseases

## Reference:

**Education Code Section 76403** 

State law requires Mt. SAC to:

- cooperate with local health officers in measures necessary for the prevention and control
  of communicable diseases in students; and
- comply with any immunization program required by State Department of Health Services regulations.

The impetus behind these statutes appears to be public health controls for hepatitis B and nothing in the statutes authorizes or requires screening for HIV or AIDS.

## **Immunizations**

- Standard immunizations required and/or recommended for the prevention of the spread of communicable diseases are available in the Student Health Center.
- Registered nurses, under the guidance of standing orders authorized by a supervising physician, administer immunizations, and monitor for adverse reactions as needed.
- Emergency medical equipment, medications, and protocols to treat severe reactions are maintained in the Student Health Center.

In addition, tuberculosis testing is available to the campus community in the Student Health Center. Protocols adopted are in compliance with Los Angeles County Department of Health requirements.

In the event of the identification of a reportable communicable disease, Student Health Center staff members work in conjunction with appropriate College officials and Department of Health authorities to manage the case.

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