

Medical Staff of Providence Regional Medical Center Everett

Immunization Policy for Rubeola (Measles)
and Rubella (German Measles)

Practitioners applying or reapplying for privileges on the Medical Staff of Providence Regional Medical Center Everett will be required to show proof of immunity against rubeola and rubella. If no evidence of such immunity is available, the practitioner is required to be immunized before appointment/reappointment to the Medical Staff, unless a contraindication against immunization exists.

Proof of immunity against rubeola is:

- (1) birthday before 1957; or
- (2) serologic evidence of rubeola immunity; or
- (3) two doses of live measles vaccine (after 1968) on or after first birthday.

Proof of immunity against rubella is:

- (1) serologic evidence of immunity; or
- (2) evidence of having received the vaccine.

The applying/reapplying practitioner may independently have his blood drawing and serologic testing performed at the laboratory of his/her choice. A copy of the test results should be sent to the Medical Staff Secretary handling the application/reapplication process.

If the practitioner desires, the blood drawing can be performed at either of the hospital laboratories and sent to the appropriate laboratory for serologic testing. The practitioner will be responsible for the costs of any laboratory testing and the results will be forwarded to the Medical Staff Office.

Immunization against rubeola and/or rubella can be obtained through the hospitals at no charge. A copy of the immunization record will be sent to the Medical Staff Office.

The Chief of Staff, the Chairperson of the Credentials Committee, or authorized designee, may waive the required immunization with respect to practitioners who are given temporary privileges for two weeks or less only; provided no waiver of the proof of immunity or required immunization for rubella shall be permitted for any practitioner exercising privileges to treat pregnant women.

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