## **Clinical Clearance Policy**

Prior to the first day of class, each student must be medically cleared, at their own expense, by a qualified healthcare provider. Clearance must be completed prior to the beginning of the clinical internship phase of their program. Failure to do so may result in disciplinary action. Students will not be permitted to participate in any clinical internship without being medically cleared. Students are required to sign a release authorizing disclosure of their health information to clinical internship sites.

Medical Clearance includes the following:

- Medical History and Physical Exam
- Proof of Immunity of Measles, Mumps, Rubella, Varicella and Hepatitis B
- A PPD or Quantiferon-TB Gold Blood Test
- Immunization of Tetanus and Influenza
- 10 Panel Drug Test

A student's medical clearance is valid for one year from when they first received clearance from a qualified healthcare provider.

Students must maintain medical clearance at all times while enrolled in the program. Students must renew their medical clearance each year that they are enrolled in the program. A student's annual medical clearance must be completed prior to the due date provided by the Clinical Clearance Department. Failure to do so may result in suspension or termination from the program.

Additionally, students are required to have, and provide acceptable documentation of, active health insurance coverage throughout the duration of the program. Failure to possess active health insurance coverage may result in disciplinary action.