



Mandatory Documents Information for Paramedicine Clinical Placements

1. **Medical Assessment** – Valid for 3 years unless there is a change in your medical condition.

Please review the information on the **Bachelor of Paramedicine** site on the USQ Study Desk. When you pass your medical assessment you will be given a 'Fit Slip' from Sonic Health. You must upload that Fit Slip to InPlace.

Things that have delayed previous students passing their medical.....

- Hepatitis B will take 7 months
- Body Mass Index (BMI) must be under 33 to pass your medical

If you don't pass your medical, you will most likely need to redo it and pay for it a second time

2. **CPR Certificate (Renewed Yearly)** Certificate must display the Nationally Recognised logo.

3. **First Aid Certificate (Renewed every 3 years)** Certificate must display the Nationally Recognised logo.

4. **Blue Card (Renewed every 3 years)** – Pre filled Application form is available on the **Bachelor of Paramedicine** site on the USQ Study Desk. Complete the form online, print off, then email or bring the application with J.P. witnessed / signed copies of your I.D. evidence documents to the Professional Experience Placements Office (Level 2 | Block Ipswich Campus) to be processed and submitted to the Blue card Agency. If you are submitting by email you must also include the Confirmation of Identity form. Be aware that the application process may take 6 to 8 weeks.

5. Immunisations -

5a. **Hepatitis B (Submit once only)** - Evidence of 3 vaccinations and/or Immunity Serology (Titre level).

To complete the course of 3 vaccinations and serology, vaccinations must be **started 7 months** before placement.

The timing for the full course of Hep B vaccinations is as follows:

- The interval between the 1st and 2nd dose is 1 month
- The interval between the 2nd and 3rd dose is 5 months
- The minimum period of time after the 3rd dose that the student can have the blood tests to confirm seroconversion (that they are protected against HBV) need to be done at least 4 weeks after their third vaccination. It is preferable that the final test is completed between 4 – 8 weeks after the final dose

Please discuss all vaccinations and blood tests with your doctor and ensure they are aware of these requirements.

Evidence of first vaccination or serology MUST be uploaded to InPlace by 16th March 2020

5b. **Measles, Mumps, Rubella** – Serology showing immunity. If not immune 2 boosters will be required.

Evidence of serology MUST be uploaded to InPlace.

5d. **Varicella (Chicken Pox)** - Serology showing immunity or evidence of 2 immunisations. If not immune 2 boosters will be required.

Evidence of 2 immunisations or serology MUST be uploaded to InPlace.

5c. **Adult Diphtheria, Tetanus and Pertussis** vaccination evidence from within the last 10 years

5e. **Influenza vaccination** evidence within the year of placement (must be updated and submitted yearly).

5f. **Tuberculosis** – QAS guidelines to identify possible Tuberculosis exposure are below. Tuberculin Skin Test is required if the person was born in a country with a high incidence of TB, or has resided for a cumulative time of 3 months or longer in a country with a high incidence of TB as listed at https://www.health.qld.gov.au/chrisp/tuberculosis/high_risk_index.asp OR has had direct contact with a person who has had active TB - USQ will accept Fit Slip evidence of compliance.

6. **Medical Declaration** - Must be completed and uploaded to InPlace at least six weeks prior to commencement of placements 2, 3 and 4. Form is available on the **Bachelor of Paramedicine** site on the USQ Study Desk.

7. **QAS Checklist** – The QAS Clinical Placement Orientation Checklist must be completed **online** by all paramedicine students 6 to 8 weeks prior to each placement.

The link to the [form can be accessed here](#).

The form is extremely easy to complete and as soon as you press submit, you will receive an email which must be saved in another format e.g. pdf or jpeg and uploaded to InPlace.

8. **USQ Student Guide Declaration** – This form is found in the Clinical Placement Handbook for Paramedicine Students and must be signed to declare that you have read, understood and will abide by the standards and accept the student responsibilities as outlined in the handbook. A copy of this handbook is available on the Bachelor of Paramedicine (BPSC) Study Desk.