Important! For students under 18: A parent or guardian must complete this form and submit to University Health Center before you will be permitted to register.

ETSU
University Health Center
Hepatitis B and Meningococcal Meningitis Immunization Health History Form
Please Print Legibly in Ink

If under 18, please submit to:
University Health Center
PO Box 70675
Johnson City TN 37614
FAX: 423-439-4560
PHONE: 423-439-4225

Name: _____ _____ _____
Last First MI

Date of Birth: _____ ETSU ID #_____ Phone: (_____) _____
Month/Day/Year

The General Assembly of the State of Tennessee mandates that each public or private postsecondary institution in the state provide information concerning Hepatitis B infection to all students entering the institution for the first time. Those students who will be living in on-campus housing for the first time must also be informed about the risk of Meningococcal Meningitis infection. Tennessee law requires that such students complete and sign a waiver form provided by the institution that includes detailed information about the diseases. The required information below includes the risk factors and dangers of each disease as well as information on the availability and effectiveness of the respective vaccines for persons who are at-risk for the diseases. The information concerning these diseases is from the Centers for Disease Control and the American College Health Association.

The law does not require that students receive vaccinations for the Hepatitis B or *Meningococcal Meningitis for enrollment at this time. However, you must complete this information. Furthermore, the institution is not required by law to provide vaccination and/or reimbursement for the vaccine. **Please complete Parts A and B.**

A. Hepatitis B (HBV)

[TO BE COMPLETED BY ALL NEW STUDENTS] Please complete Parts A and B.

Hepatitis B (HBV) is a serious viral infection of the liver that can lead to chronic liver disease, cirrhosis, liver cancer, liver failure, and even death. The disease is transmitted by blood and or body fluids and many people will have no symptoms when they develop the disease. The primary risk factors for Hepatitis B are sexual activity and injecting drug use. This disease is completely preventable. Hepatitis B vaccine is available to all age groups to prevent Hepatitis B viral infection. A series of three (3) doses of vaccine are required for optimal protection. Missed doses may still be sought to complete the series if only one or two have been acquired. The HBV vaccine has a record of safety and is believed to confer lifelong immunity in most cases. The Hepatitis B vaccine is available at the University Health Center.

☐ I hereby certify that I have read this information and **I have received or plan to receive the complete three dose series of the Hepatitis B vaccine.**

☐ I hereby certify that I have read this information and **I have elected not to receive the Hepatitis B vaccine.**

B. Meningococcal Meningitis

[TO BE COMPLETED BY ALL NEW STUDENTS] Please complete Parts A and B.

Meningococcal disease is a rare but potentially fatal bacterial infection, expressed as either meningitis (infection of the membranes surrounding the brain and spinal cord) or meningococcemia (bacteria in the blood). Meningococcal disease strikes about 3,000 Americans each year and is responsible for about 300 deaths annually. The disease is spread by airborne transmission, primarily by coughing. The disease can onset very quickly and without warning. Rapid intervention and treatment is required to avoid serious illness and or death. There are 5 different subtypes (called sereogroups) of the bacterium that causes Meningococcal Meningitis. The current vaccine does not stimulate protective antibodies to Sereogroups B, but it does protect against the most common strains of the disease, including serogroups A, C, Y and W-135. The duration of protection is approximately three to five years. The vaccine is very safe and adverse reactions are mild and infrequent, consisting primarily of redness and pain at the site of injection lasting up to two days. The Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) of the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommends that college freshmen (particularly those who live in dormitories or residence halls) be informed about meningococcal disease and the benefits of vaccination and those students who wish to reduce their risk for meningococcal disease be immunized. Other undergraduate students who wish to reduce their risk for meningococcal disease may also choose to be vaccinated. The Meningococcal Meningitis vaccine is available at the University Health Center.

☐ I hereby certify that I have read the information and **I have received or plan to receive the vaccine for Meningococcal Meningitis.**

☐ I hereby certify that I have read this information and **I have elected not to receive the vaccine for Meningococcal Meningitis.**

Signature of Student or (Parent/Guardian If Student is Under 18): **Date:**

For more information about Meningococcal Meningitis and Hepatitis B disease and vaccine, please contact your local health care provider or consult the Center for Disease Control and Prevention Web site at www.cdc.gov/health/default.htm.