

HEALTH AND SAFETY

The Turtle Mountain Community College does not have a Medical Services Office for students. We do have First Aid Stations that contain basic first aid materials, some medications. They are placed in several locations throughout the college. Students essentially are responsible for their own health needs. Should a student become ill staff are trained to call 911 and are all trained in basic life support.

In their admission packets Medical technician students are required to provide proof of rubella titer, tetanus immunizations, negative Tuberculin test of neg. chest x- ray. Proof of immunity against measles, mumps and rubella if born after Jan 1, 1957

It is required that the Medical technician students complete 3 doses of the Hep B vaccine before entering rotation or sign a waiver of refusal.

The MLT students receive training in General Laboratory safety, Chemical Safety, Blood-borne pathogens, Electrical, Fire, Radiation, Ergonomics, and needle stick injury training during their CLS 103 Introduction to MLT class the first semester. Students are required to read the policies and procedures for all Laboratory experiments and exercises before actual instruction begins. Listed below are MLT Safety policies that are addressed and reviewed in all MLT courses.

These policies include:

Contagious Diseases

Student Guidelines for Bloodborne Pathogen Exposure

Exposure Classification for Bloodborne Pathogens

Exposure Classification for Hazardous Chemicals

Health Science Exposure Chart

Latex Allergy Policy

The College has a Critical Alert system, known as ALERT NOW that is available to all students, faculty and staff. Each year a student, faculty or staff member can go on-line and list their phone numbers (home or cell). The system is designed so that if there is a critical emergency at any one of the campuses [such as medical emergencies severe enough to interrupt classes, weather emergencies or other emergency situations that would interrupt or cancel classes], anyone registered on

the system will receive a phone call notifying them about the emergency and giving further instructions if classes are cancelled or a campus is closed.

While on rotation students are considered to be eligible for the same emergency health care as employees of the Affiliate site. All the clinical rotation Affiliates comply with the Emtela laws.