Dear Incoming Student for Academic Year 2017-18:

Welcome to the University of California, Irvine! At the Student Health Center (SHC), our goal is to assist you with any health care needs that you may experience while at UCI. Information regarding our services, location, hours of operation and other important information is available and regularly updated on the SHC website. Additionally, the SHC Dental Clinic offers a variety of dental services. Information regarding dental services, location and hours of operation is available at SHC Dental Clinic. PLEASE NOTE: Important information regarding UC’s admission health requirements and health insurance requirement is noted below including action items that you must complete prior to the start of the Fall quarter (or semester).

Admission Health Requirements

In accordance with University of California policy, all incoming undergraduate and graduate students are required to comply with specific health requirements. (Medical students have separate health requirements and should adhere to guidance provided by the School of Medicine.) Please do the following:

1. Complete the High Risk Tuberculosis (TB) Screening Questionnaire online as early as possible.
   **Deadline:** Must be completed by the first day of the **Fall quarter/semester**.

2. Submit proof of the four (4) required immunizations or immunity online as early as possible.
   **Deadline:** Must be completed by the first day of the **Winter quarter (or Spring semester)**.

   Note that a one term “grace period” is provided to students to comply with the immunization requirements. However, SHC strongly encourages students to complete this requirement as early as possible rather than deferring to the start of the Winter quarter (or Spring semester). There is no corresponding grace period provided for compliance with the TB screening requirement.

3. Enter your immunization and TB screening information online directly into your SHC electronic health record via the Wellness, Health and Counseling Services secure Student Health Portal. Instructions are provided on the portal and on the New Student Information page on the SHC website.

UC Student Health Insurance Plan (SHIP)

All registered students are automatically enrolled in the UC Student Health Insurance Plan (SHIP). The SHIP premiums and fees are included in the total tuition and fees that are billed to your ZOT account. If you would like to “opt out” of SHIP because you have other health insurance coverage that meets UC’s waiver criteria, then you must submit an online waiver request no later than the posted waiver deadlines on the SHC Insurance Services website page. If the waiver request is approved, then you will receive a credit on your ZOT account for the SHIP fees. The credit typically appears within 10-15 business days following waiver approval.

For questions regarding TB screening and immunizations, you may email our Front Office/Health Information Management department. For questions regarding SHIP, please email our Insurance Services department.

Again, welcome to UC Irvine and best wishes for a very successful year!

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