



## Immunisation programme for elective students

### Essential health-care related vaccines

Every student, resident, fellow or healthcare worker who comes on an elective program must provide documentation of immunization for health clearance prior to starting the rotation at King Chulalongkorn Memorial Hospital (KCMH).

- **COVID-19 vaccine**

You should have a written document of two doses of COVID-19 vaccine before starting the clinical elective rotations.

- **Influenza vaccine**

You should have a written document of influenza vaccination within the prior 12 months.

- **Tetanus, diphtheria, acellular pertussis vaccine (Tdap)**

You should have a written document of one Tdap given as an adult or you can get the Tdap vaccine on arrival at KCMH. The cost of vaccine is approximately 20-25 USD.

- **Varicella vaccine (chicken pox)**

You should have a written document of two doses of varicella vaccine or serologic evidence of immunity to varicella (chicken pox) or history of having the disease.

- **Measles vaccine**

You should have a written document of two doses of measles-containing vaccine as a child, or one dose vaccine if you got it after the age of seventeen or serologic (antibody titers) evidence of immunity to measles or history of having the disease.

- **Hepatitis B vaccine (HBV)**

You should have a written documents of three doses of Hepatitis B vaccine or serologic evidence of immunity to anti-HBs>10 iu/ml.)

### Recommended vaccine for your own safety while travel in Thailand

- **Japanese encephalitis vaccine (JE)**

You should have 1 dose of live-attenuated JE vaccine at least 2 weeks or 2 doses of killed JE vaccine 1 month apart at least 1 week prior going to rural area e.g. the Northern part of Thailand, coastal areas of Southern of Thailand. You can get JE vaccine at KCMH, which costs approximately 15-20 USD.

- **Hepatitis A vaccine**

If you had risk of consuming contaminated food or water, you should have a hepatitis A vaccine at least 1 dose 2 weeks before arrival and then booster in the next 6-12 months. The cost of vaccine is approximately 30 USD per dose.



### Recommended only as post-exposure management

- **Rabies vaccine**

Rabies vaccine is readily available for post-exposure prophylaxis throughout Thailand.

- **Malaria chemoprophylaxis**

Risk of malaria exposure is only when travelling to border areas of Thailand, therefore chemoprophylaxis medication e.g. malarone is not recommended.

### Not recommended vaccines


- **Yellow fever vaccine**

There is no risk of yellow fever in Thailand. Therefore, yellow fever vaccine is not recommended.

- **Typhoid vaccine**

Most of salmonella infections in Thailand are non-typhoid salmonella gastroenteritis. Therefore, typhoid vaccine is not recommended.

If you need any immunisation while you are at KCMH, please contact the Office of International Affairs, Faculty of Medicine, Chulalongkorn University for an arrangement.

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