

Appendix 4. Information Sheet for Category A Applicants

Occupational Assessment, Screening and Vaccination Information for Applicants Assessed as Risk Category A Staff.

Category A - Contact with clients or contact with blood, body substances or infectious material. This includes staff working in laboratories and departments of forensic medicine/morgues.

Category A staff and other clinical personnel must be protected/screened against the following infectious diseases:

DISEASE	Acceptable evidence of protection against specified infectious diseases includes a written record of vaccination signed by the provider and/or serological confirmation of protection. This does not include a statutory declaration.
<i>Diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis</i>	One documented dose of adult diphtheria/tetanus/pertussis vaccine (dTpa).
<i>Hepatitis B</i>	Documented evidence of a completed, age appropriate, course of hepatitis B vaccine <u>and</u> documented evidence of anti-HBs \geq 10mIU/mL; <u>or</u> documented evidence of past hepatitis B infection (anti-HBc).
<i>Measles, mumps, rubella</i>	Birth date before 1966; <u>or</u> documented evidence of 2 doses of MMR vaccine at least one month apart; <u>or</u> documented evidence of positive IgG for measles, mumps and rubella.
<i>TB</i>	All persons will need to be screened for TB (to exclude active TB and establish baseline TB status) by local Chest Clinic/Area Health Service Accredited TST Provider.
<i>Varicella (chickenpox)</i>	History of chickenpox; <u>or</u> documentation of physician diagnosed shingles; <u>or</u> documented evidence of a positive varicella IgG; <u>or</u> documented evidence of age appropriate varicella vaccination.

Annual influenza vaccination is strongly recommended for all staff.