

GRANOFF STUDENT HEALTH CENTER

GUIDELINES FOR ALLERGY INJECTIONS

1. The student is to provide Granoff Student Health Center the injection serum and written orders from the treating physician. The student must also sign a consent form.
2. Students must have written documentation from the treating physician to include:
 - Name and address of student
 - Name, address and phone number of treating physician
 - Diagnosis, including list of allergies
 - Treatment prescribed
 - Allergen vials must be clearly labeled to include student's name and expiration date
 - Protocol if injections are late, missed or cause local reaction
3. **Initial** injections **will not** be administered by Granoff Student Health Center personnel. These include:
 - Beginning immunotherapy.
 - First injection of a different concentration.
 - First injection of a new bottle of the same concentration.
 - Resumption of a continuing series previously discontinued.
4. Students are responsible for having current instructions, injection schedules, and serums at the Granoff Health Center. Students are also responsible for adhering to their injection schedule, obtaining refill serum as needed, and making alternative arrangements to receive injections during vacations. Students are responsible for picking up their serum when leaving the University (e.g. semester breaks, graduation). Any serum remaining after May graduation ceremonies will be discarded.
5. Injections will be administered **only** when a physician is present in Granoff Student Health Center **unless** Allergist gives written consent to administer if an APRN is on site. Appointments may be made on Tuesdays & Thursdays from 11:00 AM –2:00 PM. Allergy appointments are to be made at least 24 hours in advance. If the student is more than 10 minutes late for the scheduled appointment, they may be asked to reschedule or may need to wait behind other scheduled appointments.

6. If a student misses three scheduled allergy injection appointments or does not adhere to the guidelines, Granoff Student Health Center will no longer administer their allergens and they will be referred to an off-campus medical facility.
7. There is always a possibility of an adverse reaction to an allergy injection. Therefore, for the safety of the student, they must remain in the Health Center for a minimum of 30 minutes following the administration of allergy injections. Failure to do so will result in immediate termination of allergy injection service for the individual and will require the student to receive injections elsewhere at his/her own expense.
8. If any questions arise regarding any aspect of the student's allergy serum or treatment schedule, the student will not be able to receive any injections until the treating physician has been contacted.
9. The allergy injection site should not be rubbed or scratched. If itching occurs, ice should be applied. The student should avoid vigorous exercise one hour before and after injections. Any problems resulting from an allergy injection should be reported to the Health Center immediately.

PROCEDURE FOR STUDENT

- A. Check in at the front desk.
- B. Receive injection(s) from nurse.
- C. Remain near exam room for 30 minutes observation period.
- D. Return to nurse for evaluation.
- E. Failure to maintain the schedule provided by the allergist will result in termination of injection administration by the Granoff Student Health Center staff.

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