Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland

Statement on Infectious Diseases and General Health Procedures

All RCSI Undergraduate programmes are delivered (in part) in clinical settings and exposure to infection is a risk. As part of the College's overall approach to minimising the risks associated with blood-borne viruses (BBVs) all students must complete a BBV risk assessment within six months of admission to the College.

Students must consent to immunization where it is deemed necessary and participate in follow-up serology by the RCSI Travel Health Centre for evidence of immunity in order to reduce potential of transmission of infections. RCSI can ONLY accept vaccinations carried out by the RCSI Travel Health Centre at the Mercer's Medical Centre to ensure that all students are in full compliance.

Full details of the RCSI infectious diseases and general health procedures are provided to all applicants prior to accepting an offer to register as a student of the College. These procedures are rigorously adhered to, to ensure the wellbeing and protection of the individual student, fellow students, patients, academic staff and healthcare staff. Failure to adhere to these health procedures will result in the student being unable to participate in their academic programme and discontinuation from the College.