



<b>Administrative Procedure</b>	<b>4.11</b>
<b>Procedure Title</b>	<b>Communicable Diseases</b>
<b>Related Policy</b>	<b>Policy Governance Chapter II Section B Treatment of Students</b>
<b>Correlated Procedures</b>	
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#### 4.11.1 Policy

The college shall not discriminate against students in any manner nor deny access to college facilities, functions, or services based solely on the grounds that they have a communicable disease. The college recognizes that it has an obligation to prevent the spread of communicable diseases and therefore may be required to impose certain restrictions in appropriate situations.

#### 4.11.2 Definition of Communicable Disease

Communicable diseases include, but are not limited to, measles, infectious hepatitis, serum hepatitis, human immunodeficiency virus, acquired immune deficiency syndrome (AIDS), AIDS-related complex, sexually transmitted diseases (STDs), and tuberculosis. A more complete listing of communicable diseases covered under this policy will be maintained by the college.

#### 4.11.3 Privacy

The college shall comply with all pertinent statutes and regulations which protect the privacy of students who have a communicable disease, and will ensure that procedural safeguards are sufficient to maintain student medical information in the strictest confidence. Written consent shall be obtained from the student specifying those persons with a direct need to know, before any medical information can be released.

#### 4.11.4 Responsibility to Inform

Students who have been diagnosed as having a communicable disease shall immediately report this information to the Dean of Student Services.



#### 4.11.5 Evaluation

If there is reasonable cause to suspect the presence of a communicable disease, the Dean of Student Services may approach the student with this information and offer counseling and assistance.

Infected students will be evaluated to determine if the presence of the disease poses a threat of transmission to others in the campus environment, taking into consideration the student's academic program, knowledge of the transmission of the disease, understanding of the need to medically care for the disease, personal hygiene, and avoidance of high risk behavior.

Every reasonable attempt will be made to protect the student's right to be educated through schedule arrangements and providing special equipment where functionally and economically feasible. The student, at his or her own expense, will be required to submit a health certificate when requested, for as long as the disease remains.

Communicable disease procedures will be developed and maintained by the college.

#### 4.11.6 Right of Appeal

The student may contest college imposed restrictions or other applicable decisions, providing that such appeal is in accordance with the applicable grievance policy that has been established by the college.

#### 4.11.7 Education

The college recognizes education is essential to reduce the spread of infectious communicable diseases, lessen fears, and make rational and well-informed decisions. The college shall endeavor to provide information to students about high-risk diseases, especially sexually transmitted diseases, by one or more of the following means: disseminating fliers, conducting workshops, providing counseling services, and referring to outside medical authorities.