PURPOSE:
To provide appropriate travel immunizations and accurate advice for KU students, faculty & staff, and community members.

POLICY:
Travel Immunizations are available for University of Kansas students, faculty & staff, and community members at Watkins Health Services (WHS).

PROCEDURES:
1. An appointment is necessary with a provider to review the planned itinerary and vaccination needs, at least six to eight weeks before their departure, or, soon as travel plans are known.
   1.1. Review medical history, current medications, known allergies, and previous immunization record.
   1.2. Review a personalized TRAVAX report generated for the patient’s itinerary.
   1.3. Order vaccinations.
   1.4. Educate the patient about pertinent precautions for their destination, such as avoidance of mosquito borne illness, food and water safety to minimize risk of traveler’s diarrhea, etc.
   1.5. Patient to be given handouts, including the TRAVAX report, additional prescribed travel abroad medications, such as, antimalarial and antidiarrheal medications, travel kits, etc.

2. An appointment will be made with the Immunization Clinic.
   2.1. CDC Vaccine Information Sheet, (VIS) or equivalent information will be given to the patient.
   2.2. Patient to complete a vaccination consent form to be reviewed by the nurse.
   2.3. Allow time for patient questions to be answered.
   2.4. Take oral temperature when indicated.
   2.5. Review female patients last menstrual period (LMP), pregnancy, or breast feeding status, when indicated.
      2.5. a. Date of LMP unknown or later than 28 days, order a urine HCG.
      2.5. b. Consult with a physician when female patients are known to be pregnant or breast feeding prior to administering vaccination.
2.6. Administer vaccination per Standing Order found on individual vaccine consent forms.
   2.6. a. Additional information found in vaccine package inserts, WHS pharmacist, or supervising physician.
2.7. Document vaccine injection on the consent form, encounter form, electronic health record, (EHR), and when the patient’s personal immunization history form is requested.
2.8. The patient is to remain under observation when indicated.

3. Nurses may ask a patient to have an appointment with a WHS physician to clarify travel vaccination orders from any physician outside of WHS.

4. Patients presenting for their 2\textsuperscript{nd} or 3\textsuperscript{rd} shot in a series (such as Hepatitis A, B, or Twinrix) must bring documentation of previous immunization to their appointment before an immunization may be given. This is to assure the correct series is completed with appropriate timing to assure maximal benefit is derived.

REFERENCES:

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