

MALLA REDDY INSTITUTE OF DENTAL SCIENCES

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HEPATITIS-B IMMUNIZATION POLICY

MRIDS/POLICY/2020-21/HBIP/01

INTRODUCTION:

Hepatitis B, a major cause of liver damage and liver cancer, is a silent epidemic worldwide. It is a bloodborne infection that is commonly transmitted through blood and body fluids. In the dental office, it is mostly transmitted via blood& saliva. It is vital to ensure infection control practices are being followed during dental procedures such as scaling, extractions, injections, root canal treatment and surgical procedures to reduce the incidence of hepatitis B.

OBJECTIVE:

The objective of this policy is to mitigate the risk of Hepatitis B viral infection among dental healthcare workers by promoting immunization. Immunization not only reduces the susceptibility of providers to these diseases but also minimizes the potential for disease transmission to other healthcare providers and patients. The Hospital Infection Control Committee at Malla Reddy Institute of Dental Sciences aims to instil healthy practices within the institution, with a primary focus on students and faculty.

POLICY STATEMENT:

Mandatory	All students, faculty, and staff members at MRIDS are instructed to get
Vaccination	vaccinated for Hepatitis B vaccination at the earliest.
	The state of the Handitis B vaccination series according to
Vaccination Schedule	 Individuals must complete the Hepatitis B vaccination series according to the standard schedule recommended by healthcare authorities, typically consisting of three doses administered over a specified period.
	The schedule may vary based on individual circumstances, and individuals should consult with their scalthcare provider for guidance.

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	 First dose: Given in first 6 months of joining the institute. Second dose: Scheduled one month after the 1st dose. Third dose: Scheduled six months after the 1st dose.
Considerations	 Vaccination is postponed for students/Faculty with fever, viral infection, upper respiratory tract infection, etc., until they become asymptomatic. Previously vaccinated students/staff may be referred to physician or receive booster doses if necessary.
Post-Exposure Prophylaxis	 Prophylactic medication will be readily available in the event of accidental exposure while treating patients with Hepatitis B infection.
Exemptions	 Individuals may request an exemption from the Hepatitis B vaccination requirement for medical or religious reasons. Exemption requests will be reviewed on a case-bycase basis, and appropriate accommodations will be made in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.
Education & Awareness	 The college will conduct educational programs and provide resources to increase awareness about Hepatitis B transmission, prevention, and the importance of vaccination. This may include distributing informative materials, organizing seminars or workshops, and integrating Hepatitis B education into the curriculum.
Compliance Monitoring	 The college administration will monitor compliance with the Hepatitis B immunization policy and take appropriate measures to ensure that all individuals meet the vaccination requirement. Non-compliance may result in disciplinary action or restrictions on participation in college activities of Dental College

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Updates And Revisions	 This policy will be reviewed periodically to ensure alignment with current healthcare guidelines and best practices. Revisions may be made as necessary to reflect changes in vaccination recommendations, legal requirements, or institutional priorities.
Implementation	 The Hepatitis B immunization policy will be communicated to all current and prospective students, faculty, and staff members through official college communications, including the college website, student handbooksand orientation sessions. The college hospital infection control committee will be responsible for overseeing the implementation of the policy, maintaining vaccination records, and aiding individuals in meeting the vaccination requirement. Questions or concerns regarding the Hepatitis B immunization policy should be directed to the college administration or the designated health services personnel for clarification and assistance

- Effective Date: This policy shall be effective immediately upon approval by the appropriate college authorities and shall remain in effect until further notice.
- Approval: This Hepatitis B immunization policy has been reviewed and approved by BoG of MRIDS on 02-09-2020.

Date: 02 09 2020

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