

RABIES INFORMATION

Within the first 4 weeks of the program start, all students must provide proof of current rabies vaccinations (administered within 1-year of the program start). Alternatively, students can provide results of an adequate titre* taken within 30 days prior to the program start. *Adequate titre is greater than 0.5IU/ml: Health Canada.

Immunization may be obtained prior to admission at the student's expense - consult your physician for details. Health Canada has officially approved Rabavert™ and Imovax™ as effective pre-exposure vaccines for Rabies. Rabavert (DIN number 02267667) or Imovax (DIN number 01908286) can be obtained through your doctor by prescription. If you have drug coverage through work, parents or spouse, check with your plan's administrator for coverage details as certain types of vaccinations may not be covered. *Note* there are often shortages of the vaccine so please check early to make sure you can access the vaccine through your family doctor.

If your plan does not cover these injections, the Student Insurance Plan will cover a portion of the immunization series. Note: the vaccine must be purchased after Day 1 of the semester. The series of three injections is approximately **\$730 (2022 cost)**. Students must make the initial payment and can be reimbursed by the insurance carrier. If students wish to participate in the Student Insurance Plan, they <u>cannot</u> opt out of the Student Insurance plan

Immunization clinics will be set up at the Orillia campus. **Payment (\$730)** must be made online during week 1 of the program. An online form will be sent to you prior to the start of the semester for you to indicate if you wish to participate in our on-campus clinic.

For more information about the immunization requirement, please contact Susan MacNeal at susan.macneal@georgiancollege.ca.