Allergy Injections Policy

As a courtesy to assist our students during their stay at the University of Tampa, we offer allergy injections contingent on the following policy:

1. The student must bring his or her own allergy serum and written instructions from their allergist/physician.

2. The orders from the allergist/physician will be followed as written. If there is any requested change from the orders, the student will need to contact the allergist/physician directly with their request, and the physician will in turn need to contact the SHCC with new orders.

3. The student must allow a minimum of 45 minutes at the clinic to receive their injections. This allows for proper preparation time and the 20 minute wait required after the injection is given. If the student has fallen off schedule with his or her injections, the wait time may be longer as our staff may need to contact your allergist/physician office for new orders. If the staff is unable to reach your allergist for instructions at the time of your visit, your appointment will be rescheduled.

4. The 20 minute wait time after the injections are given is a requirement that is strictly enforced. This wait time is needed to make sure there are no adverse reactions that may require immediate medical treatment. If the student leaves the health center before they are released by a staff member, they will no longer be eligible to receive their injections at the health center effective immediately.

5. It is very important that the student come into the clinic for their injections according to the schedule their allergist/physician has prescribed. Allergy injections are not as beneficial if they are received late or in lower doses as a result of being off schedule. It is the student’s responsibility to know their schedule and follow it accordingly. **If you fall behind schedule more than once, we will no longer continue to offer you the service of receiving your injections at the health center. A referral to continue your injections at a local allergist office will be provided.**

6. Injections are only given if a physician or nurse practitioner is present in the clinic.

7. The injection fees are to be paid per visit, in advance, or at the latest the 1st of the following month. If the fee is not paid, no further injections will be given. They are: $10 for one injection, $12 for two injections, and $15 for three or more injections.

8. **Injections will be given by appointment only.** No walk-in visits are allowed for allergy injections. This is to allow for adequate preparation and less waiting time as this is a slower time in the clinic. Please be aware that your appointment is for allergy injection **only.** You cannot be seen for illness at this appointment. If you need an appointment for illness, please schedule a separate appointment prior to receiving your allergy injections so that we can determine if it is safe for you to receive the injections.

9. The SHCC **cannot** ship allergy serum to patients or their allergist/physician office. Patients are responsible to pick up their serum and records when going home for school breaks or summer.

I have read this policy and agree to the conditions above. I understand that if I do not follow this policy, I will no longer be able to use the SHCC for allergy injections.

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Patient Signature                      Date